



Fort Lauderdale Fire Chief Stephen W. Gollan, a lifelong resident of the city, brings over 30 years of dedicated fire service experience to his leadership role. As a visionary and fiscally responsible leader, he is committed to the safety and well-being of the booming Fort Lauderdale community. Chief's deep-rooted connection to the city fuels his passion for continuous improvement and collaborative growth. Since assuming the role of Fire Chief in 2022, he has spearheaded numerous initiatives, including securing over \$11.3 million in SAFER grant funding to enhance staffing, and strategically planning the development of two new fire stations to optimize response times. He oversees a \$122.3 million budget, ensuring resources are aligned with the

department's strategic priorities, and has successfully reduced overtime costs by \$1.5 million.

Throughout his career with Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue, Chief has consistently demonstrated his ability to drive positive change and innovation. His previous roles as Assistant Fire Marshal, Battalion Chief, Captain/Lieutenant, Driver-Engineer, and Firefighter/ Paramedic reflect a comprehensive understanding of fire service operations. Before joining Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue, Chief Gollan served as Program Director at the Broward Fire Academy, a Firefighter/Paramedic in Pembroke Pines, and a Firefighter in Auburn. He also served as a Reserve Deputy Sheriff in Lee County, Alabama.

Chief Gollan is an active member of several professional organizations, including the Metro Fire Chiefs Association, International Fire Chiefs Association, Florida Fire Chiefs Association, Broward County Fire Chiefs Association, Florida Fire Marshal's and Inspectors Association, Fire Inspectors Association of Broward County, National Fire Protection Association, and the Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce. He holds both Chief Fire Officer and Public Information Officer designations from the Center for Public Safety Excellence. Chief's unwavering commitment to innovation, community engagement, and the professional development of his team positions him as a driving force in delivering exceptional fire protection and emergency services to the City of Fort Lauderdale.