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## **New Deputy Chief Assigned at SBCoFD**

San Bernardino County Fire Chief Mark Hartwig is honored to announce the promotion of Assistant Chief John Chamberlin to Deputy Chief of Administration, assigned to Department Headquarters (San Bernardino). As Deputy Chief of Administration, Chamberlin will oversee human resources, day-to-day fiscal operations, and special projects.

Fire Chief Mark Hartwig stated, "Chief Chamberlin has been an exceptional leader for our department. Throughout his career, he has demonstrated the ability to successfully manage resources and help others reach their full potential."

Deputy Chief John Chamberlin began his full time career with SBCoFire with the contracting of services for the City of Adelanto in September 1999. Prior to this, he served as a Fire Dispatcher and Paid-Call Firefighter for both the County of San Bernardino and City of Victorville.

During his time with County Fire, Chamberlin has worked his way through the ranks, becoming a Captain in 2004, Battalion Chief in 2013, Division Chief in 2015 and Assistant Chief in 2016. Chamberlin has served on various committees and special projects including oversight of the department's Hazardous Materials Response Team and county fire's behalf of CONFIRE Communication operations.

"I am honored to accept this new leadership role with the department," stated Chief Chamberlin. "My focus will be to improve our department from the inside out, and find new and innovative ways we can continue to provide the highest level of service in our communities."

Chamberlin is currently assigned to Southern California Incident Management Team 1 in the Logistics Section and is a qualified Type 2 Safety Officer, Type 3 Incident Commander, Operations Section Chief and Logistics Section Chief. He also holds a Bachelor of Science in Healthcare Administration, a double Associate of Science in Fire Technology and Paramedic Studies, and received his Chief Officer Certification from the California State Fire Marshal. Chief Chamberlin is currently attending the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer Program in Emmittsburg, Maryland.

Chamberlin will succeed Deputy Chief Don Trapp, who recently transitioned to Deputy Chief of Operations. Photographs of Chief Chamberlin are available on [sbcfire.org](http://sbcfire.org).

*The San Bernardino County Fire Department is an all-risk/full-service fire department committed to providing the highest level of service in the most efficient and cost effective manner to the citizens and communities that we serve. Our jurisdiction encompasses 19,278 square miles of extremely diverse environments that stretch from the Los Angeles County line on the west, to the Colorado River on the east, to the Nevada State line and Kern and Inyo counties on the north. We provide services to more than 60 communities/cities and all unincorporated areas of the county.*