Darnell D. Fullum has served as Fire Chief of the DeKalb Fire Rescue Department since February 2014. He is a fire executive leader who has over twenty-nine (29) years of experience.

Chief Fullum believes in a well-trained, communitybased fire department that is safety and prevention oriented, while remaining customer focused. During his career, Chief Fullum has served as a firefighter, lieutenant, captain, battalion chief, training chief, fire marshal, and deputy fire chief. He was appointed to several key positions throughout his career to include serving as the district chief/liaison for several newly formed cities; and serving as Interim Director of the Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management Agency.



Fire Chief -Darnell D. Fullum

As a committed life-long learner, Chief Fullum has earned a Master's Degree in Leadership and a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Management Cum Laude from Shorter University. He has obtained the Chief Fire Officer (CFO) Designation from the Center for Public Safety Excellence and was accepted as a member of the Institution of Fire Engineers (MIFireE). He completed the yearlong Fire Service Executive Development Institute Program (FSEDI) for aspiring and new fire chiefs, which is conducted by the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC). Additionally, he is a graduate of the distinguished four–year, National Fire Academy, Executive Fire Officer (EFO) Program.

Chief Fullum proudly served three years in the United States Army as an infantry soldier/squad leader and received an Honorable Discharge. He and his wife are the proud parents of one son.