

## Russ Ellis Bio

Russ has been in the Public Safety Profession for 35+ years. First retiring as Chief of Police then pursuing his current career in the fire life safety profession. Russ has had the opportunity to work in senior leadership and management roles for Johnson Controls, Siemens, Honeywell and Eaton and various projects all over the United States and internationally. For the past 6 years, Russ has held the position of Regional Sales Manager for Eaton in the fire life safety division leading the teams, distribution channels and dealer networks for AK, WA, OR, ID, MT, WY, UT & CO. Russ has a bachelor degree in law and a master degree in public administration with an emphasis in government processes and leadership. Russ is NICET certified and holds various other credentials as it relates to FEMA and Emergency First Responders. Russ is also a Fire Chaplain for Central Pierce Fire & Rescue assigned to the "A" shift. Russ is active in SFPE, AFAA and NFPA (see you in Vegas) Russ has great relationships with various fire integration companies and engineering firms throughout Colorado and looks forward to continuing to foster these and grow the chapter within Colorado. Russ is happily married to his wonderful wife Staci, they have a blended family of 7 adult children and 9 grandchildren. I am honored to be nominated for a Director position and look forward to working with everyone.

Russ