

## **2022 Firefighter of the Year, Fire Captain Scott Trowbridge**

Captain Trowbridge has over 13 years of dedicated service with BFD. He has been instrumental in the Hazardous Materials (HazMat) Program as a Firefighter and now as a Captain, who is a HazMat Coordinator. Also, he spent a year and a half as a Recruit Academy Instructor and Drillmaster. He was part of a small team that was tasked with the important goal of reaccrediting the BFD Accredited Local Academy (ALA) with State Fire Training (SFT).

The 2021 recruit academy was BFD's first certified ALA academy, which required changes to the instruction and testing practice that had to be approved by SFT. The restructuring of the academy sometimes took Captain Trowbridge away from his duties as a station Captain and Drillmaster, but he was able to organize, divide and conquer. Notably, he managed 18 recruit firefighters in that academy.

After the academy graduated, Captain Trowbridge began assisting with the ALA reaccreditation, which required the update of a self-assessment report. He assisted beyond the call of duty while maintaining a healthy balance of being a dedicated father and husband, having a probationary firefighter, and tending to his HazMat Coordinator duties.

Captain Trowbridge continues to help with the development of BFD personnel. He trained three probationary firefighters last year. He is constantly involved with the development of new HazMat Program members. He regularly seeks opportunities for personal and professional growth, which subsequently enhances BFD and his crew.

Captain Trowbridge is as humble about what he does for BFD as he is passionate about it. He is an asset to BFD. Please join us in congratulating Captain Trowbridge for this honorable recognition as the Burbank Fire Department 2021 Firefighter of the Year.