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Dave began his career with the Sutherlin Fire Department as a firefighter paramedic in 1998. He left Sutherlin in 2000 as a Lieutenant to become a firefighter with the City of Bend Fire Department. During his time in Bend, Dave has held every position within the ranks and is currently serving as a Battalion Chief.

As a technical rescue team member and leader of the department's swift water rescue program, Dave has had the opportunity to pursue his passions for teaching and promoting change. He earned an Associate's degree in fire science from Umpqua Community College and a Bachelor's degree in fire administration from Eastern Oregon University. Dave is currently a student with the National Fire Academy's executive fire officer program.

Dave and his wife, Nina, enjoy traveling and outdoor sports such as skiing and mountain biking. They recently had their first child and are excited for the future with her.