

December 2020 Employee of the Month – Chris Lindquist

Chris Lindquist has worked for Santaquin City for the past twenty-two years in our Fire/EMS department. He is currently the city's Emergency Manager and has been serving in this capacity for the past two years. After he was made Santaquin's Emergency Manager, he set out to get his Utah Emergency Manager Certification. This Program patterns the Certified Emergency Manager© Program offered by the International Association of Emergency Managers (IAEM) which he is already working toward earning.

Chris holds a doctorate degree in education from Western Governors University and is a full-time professor at UVU in their Emergency Services program. As a professor, he requires his students to interact with their communities, and businesses in their communities, to develop Emergency Response Plans.

As the Emergency Manager for Santaquin, Chris leads out in several efforts to help the city staff and community be prepared for emergencies. He, along with Shane Bott, started the city's CERT program in 2000 and he has been instructing the course ever since. He looks forward to being able to offer this program once again after Covid-19 is under control. He most recently worked with area business leaders to provide financial support that would benefit our residents and our local businesses, through the Santaquin City Stimulus Program. He also has stayed on top of the sanitation needs of the city office buildings during this COVID pandemic.

Chris and his sweetheart, Suzette, have lived in Santaquin for the past twenty-three years. They are the proud parents of three sons, Jordan, Dallan and Ryan. He enjoys spending time with his family and doing anything outdoors such as camping, hunting, fishing and gardening. Emergency service and management is his passion, and we are very fortunate to have Chris provide direction and leadership in his role here at the city. Thank you, Chris, for your dedication and desire to serve the great people of our community.