

The Town has announced that David Forfar will be Caledon's next fire chief.

He'll be assuming his new duties Dec. 9.

Forfar comes to Caledon with more than 30 years of experience in fire services. He is well-known and respected for his strategic leadership and operational management skills in Fire and Emergency Services across Ontario. His credentials include Chief Fire Officer Designation (CFO), an Executive Diploma in Municipal Management and Certified Municipal Management (CMMIII) Designation from the Municipal Management Institute.

Most recently, Forfar served as Deputy Fire Chief for Barrie Fire and Emergency Service since 2007, where he was responsible for training, fire prevention and communication divisions. He established visionary goals for the fire department, by working with fire staff and all stakeholders across the city.

Prior to his time in Barrie, in 2000, Forfar worked as Acting Platoon Chief then District Chief for Markham Fire and Emergency Service. He started as a firefighter, moving to Fire Prevention, then Captain in the Markham fire service. He has received the Queen's Golden Jubilee and Diamond Jubilee Medals for management practices and community service.

Forfar follows retiring Chief Terry Irwin, who has been with the Town in the role of Fire Chief since November 2012.

"We are looking forward to welcoming Chief Forfar to the Town of Caledon Fire and Emergency Services, to bring continued growth and excellence to our fire service," said Mayor Marolyn Morrison. "His strong leadership skills and municipal experience will be an asset to the Town."

"Chief Irwin has made tremendous contributions over the past year, and his command and guidance has been much appreciated," she added. "We thank Chief Irwin for his leadership."