



# JOIN US

## FOR A RECRUITMENT & RETENTION WORKSHOP

featuring

*Jeremy Donch*



**WHO:** Rhode Island Fire Departments

**WHAT:** *Part 1:* Join us for RIAFC's Recruitment & Retention Workshop featuring Jeremy Donch from National Fire Radio - "Bridging The Gap Training Program"

*Part 2:* Panel Discussion with Fire Service Leaders, including Deputy Chief Kevin Quinn. Topics to include: Recruitment, Retention, and Training in the Fire Service.

**WHEN:** Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> from 9 AM - 2 PM  
(8:15 AM check-in/late registration)

**WHERE:** Rhode Island Fire Academy  
4 Green Ln., Exeter, RI 02822

**INFO:**

- **FREE** to attend – Lunch will be provided
- Register by May 30th
- This workshop provided by RIAFC Foundation & FEMA/SAFER

**THE SPEAKER:**

*Jeremy Donch*, a 29-year fire service veteran, serves with a suburban volunteer department in New Jersey. A second-generation firefighter, he founded National Fire Radio in 2018 (now a leading platform in fire service social media and podcasts) to preserve fire service traditions while engaging today's firefighters.

**THE PROGRAM:**

*Bridging the Gap* - Preserving Tradition and Culture One Generation at a Time

Generational divides can weaken firehouse culture. Blame and lack of respect create communication breakdowns, making it critical to find common ground. This presentation explores the cultural relevance of each generation, emphasizing mutual respect, accountability, and ownership. Expect a hard-hitting, interactive discussion on integrity and leadership—both on and off the job. The conversation starts here, but it's up to US, the Fire Service, to preserve our craft.



Join us for a  
**MEET & GREET EVENT**

*Date:*  
Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 6 PM - 8 PM

*Location:*  
Sons of Liberty Spirits Co., 1425 Kingstown Rd.,  
South Kingstown, RI 02879

*Food truck + cash bar*

Hosted by the Rhode Island Southern Firefighters League.

