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Q&amp;A

## ROY CONNER

**FIRE INSPECTOR  
FIRE PREVENTION BRANCH  
FORT LEONARD WOOD  
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Educates the community about and identifies and aids in the elimination of fire hazards on the installation; assists in operations of the fire department in addition to responding to routine calls



### Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?

After serving in the United States Marine Corps as a firefighter and returning from serving in Iraq, **I wanted to continue in the fire service and protect the brave men and women who choose to sacrifice their time and energy to protect this country.**

### What advice would you give to others who might be looking at becoming a DA Civilian?

**Expect the unexpected and be ready to adapt to any situation.** Situations are always changing and new challenges are just around the corner. **This career is**

**very rewarding and can be very challenging, but it is a fun ride.** You will meet a lot of great people and have fun doing it - all while serving the men and women who protect this country. **There is no better feeling.**

### What is your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?

My most memorable experience while serving at Fort Leonard Wood was **working in tandem with local emergency services, including the Missouri State Highway Patrol, while responding to a swift water rescue near Waynesville Middle School** where multiple people were trapped after a torrential downpour.

### What do you like most about your job/career as a DA Civilian?

There are many things I like and enjoy about being a DA Civilian, but **the thing I enjoy most is knowing I can make things safer for those that choose to defend my freedoms and their families - especially while they are deployed.** Knowing someone is back home looking out for their family's safety can make deployments easier.

