

Meet Safety Officer Dan Baker with the Department of Human Resources

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Prince Frederick, MD - Dan was born in Annapolis and moved to Lusby in 1966 when his father, a Maryland State Trooper, was transferred to Southern Maryland. He grew up two houses down from the Frying Pan Restaurant.

Dan's job is to encourage safe working habits and environments, which in turn reduces risk and liability for Calvert County Government. He develops occupational health and safety programs, presents safety training programs to employees and maintains automated external defibrillators (AED) in government buildings, facilities and vehicles. Dan also determines safety concerns, recommends corrective actions and ensures implementation of corrective plans, coordinates routine fire/evacuation drills, updates evacuation maps and performs annual building safety analysis on county buildings and sites. Dan's favorite part about his job is that he makes a difference.

"When employees thank me for teaching them first aid, CPR and AED skills, after they have experienced an emergency, it makes me very proud of the Risk Management and Safety programs that we have implemented," Dan said.

Dan graduated from Calvert High School in 1984. He also obtained Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), Fire Officer III, Safety Officer and Instructor Level II certifications through the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute of the University of Maryland. He is a nationally registered EMT, Maryland Pro-Board Safety Officer, licensed master electrician and holds an Advanced Safety Certificate through the National Safety Council. Prior to his current position, he was a master electrician for Calvert County Government.

In his free time, Dan enjoys collecting old decoys, trapping and hunting. He also enjoys spoiling his grandchildren. He is the president of Maryland Fur Trappers Inc., which hosts an advanced trappers' school for college students and an all-ages class that teaches students old and new methods of trapping. Dan is also a waterman and member of the Calvert County Watermen's Association.

Thank you for all that you do, Dan!

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