

## 5 Questions with: Joshua Paul

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*Joshua A. Paul, Firefighter B- Shift*

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## **Joshua A. Paul, Firefighter B- Shift**

### **What brought you into the Army family?**

I came to the Army just about 3 years ago. I completed 5 years in the USAF as a firefighter and was currently attending college.

### **What drew you to Carlisle Barracks?**

A friend of mine who works at DLA New Cumberland told me about Carlisle Barracks hiring a second engine company. I applied and was hired within a couple months. I have been involved in the fire service since I was 14 and I'm from Pa which made Carlisle Barracks an ideal position for me to continue my career.

### **What are your duties/responsibilities here?**

Here at Carlisle Barracks I am responsible for a couple things. I provide emergency services to the Garrison. This includes things such as firefighting, emergency medical services, hazardous materials and technical rescue. Aside of emergency services, I am the GPC holder for the Fire Dept., I assist on developing department training and tracking of documentation for reporting purposes. I am a member of the Fire Dept. Safety Committee and I am currently the Vice President of the IAFF F-109 which is the labor union for firefighters on CBKS. I sit on the Departments Standard Operating Procedure committee to help review and maintain department policies and procedures.

### **What's the most rewarding part of your service over the years?**

The most rewarding thing over the years would be a call I responded to while I was in between my military service and prior to starting at CBKS. The outcome of this specific call is one I will never forget, it was the most rewarding day of my career to this day.

### **What's your favorite thing to do here?**

My favorite thing to do here at CBKS would be responding to emergencies. We as firefighters never wish harm or danger to anyone or their property. However, being able to fulfill your duties is rewarding. The adrenaline you get from being a fireman is indescribable. It's something you would have to experience for yourself.

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