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Dr. Charles E. Moreland is a native of Jacksonville, Florida and a 31-year veteran of the Jacksonville Fire and Rescue Department (JFRD). In 1990 at age 18, he joined the department and has held every civil service rank within JFRD from Firefighter, Engineer, Lieutenant, Captain, District and Battalion Chief.

Charles leadership ability and strong work ethic led to his notable appointment by Mayor John Peyton as Division Chief of Rescue in 2003; a first for any minority. In 2010, the Jacksonville native went on to achieve yet another first, through his appointment as Director/Fire Chief. At the age of 39, he became the youngest person to command the department since the city's 1968 consolidation. Charles is the second minority to hold the position of Director/Fire Chief in JFRD history and the first minority to hold the position of Battalion Chief in the rescue division.

Charles holds several professional certifications with an extensive scholastic background; he has a bachelor's in business administration from Edward Waters College, bachelor's in emergency management from Barry University, master's in public administration and a Doctor of Education both from Nova Southeastern University. Charles is a proud 2008 alumni of Leadership Jacksonville.

Charles was appointed by Mayor Curry in 2015 to serve as the Director of Community and International Affairs. In 2020, Mayor Curry tapped Moreland to lead the City of Jacksonville's COVID-19 response efforts in testing and vaccinations working with Federal, State and Local stakeholders.