

Luis Valdez

Luis Valdez originally from the Great Northwest, spending his childhood in both Fairbanks Alaska and Seattle Washington, eventually ended up in the San Antonio area in 1992. After attending Fire Academy, Police Academy, and Paramedic school at San Antonio College, he started working as a Firefighter-Paramedic in Selma, Texas in 1994, ending up in Leon Valley in 2001.

Luis has earned a Bachelor Degree from Texas A&M University Kingsville (Criminology), and two Associate Degrees from San Antonio College (Fire Science and Fire/Arson Investigation). He also holds state certifications as a Master Firefighter, Master Fire Inspector, Master Fire Investigator, and Instructor.

Luis is married to his wife Yolanda; they have two sons, Joaquin and Diego. The Valdez family, are residents of Leon Valley in the Grass Valley subdivision, and frequent the Leon Valley park, local businesses, and community events.

When asked about his appointment to Fire Chief, Luis stated "I'm especially honored to serve my community with this appointment and look forward to helping protect my family, friends, and the city that I love. I am dedicated to helping guide the fire department into the exciting future ahead, and providing our citizens with the best fire protection and emergency medical services possible".