

AWARDS

2025 NC City & County Communicators Excellence in Communication Award

2023 National School Public Relations Association Gold Award

2022 National School Public Relations Association Award of Excellence

2022 National School Public Relations Association Award of Honorable Mention ×2

2021 North Carolina School Public Relations Association Gold Award

2021 North Carolina School Public Relations Association Silver Award ×4

2020 North Carolina School Public Relations Association Best of the Best Award

2020 North Carolina School Public Relations Association Gold Award ×2

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in History, East Carolina University

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies, Louisiana State University at Alexandria

Associate of Arts, Isothermal Community College

COMMITTEES

Haywood County America 250 2024-Present

DILLON HUFFMAN

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BIO

Dillon Huffman is a results-driven leader with a proven record of success and nearly a decade of experience in public service and high-pressure environments. He has developed expertise in crisis management, stakeholder coordination, and strategic decision-making.

Known for his ability to navigate complex challenges with composure and clarity, Dillon has earned a reputation as a trusted professional driving organizational objectives through clear, compelling communication and collaboration while achieving meaningful outcomes.

Dillon's work has been recognized at both the state and national levels, and he has presented at conferences to audiences of more than 500 people—sharing best practices, innovative strategies, and lessons learned to help strengthen organizations and communities.

Dillon's deep-rooted commitment to public service informs his approach to leadership—balancing vision with adaptability and a strong sense of accountability. His FEMA certification in Incident Command Emergency Management System underscores his proficiency in overseeing large-scale operations and ensuring organizational readiness. Whether leading through emergencies, coordinating with key partners, or advancing long-term initiatives, Dillon brings focus, resilience, and forward-looking leadership to every challenge.

EXPERIENCE

Public Information Officer Haywood County, NC Government - Waynesville, NC 2023-Present

Public Information Officer / Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Asheville City Schools - Asheville, NC 2019-2023

News Anchor/Reporter WNCT-TV - Greenville, NC 2018-2019

News Anchor/Reporter WTVY-TV - Dothan, AL 2016-2018

News Editor WSPA-TV - Spartanburg, SC 2015-2016





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CERTIFICATIONS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Certificate in Municipal and County Administration, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Government
- Certificate in Constitution 101: The Meaning and History of the Constitution, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in The Second World Wars, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in American Heritage: From Colonial Settlement to Current Day, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in The Presidency and The Constitution, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in Ancient Christianity, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in The Great American Story: A Land of Hope, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in Introduction to Western Philosophy, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in Civil Rights in American History, Hillsdale College
- Certificate in Economics 101: The Principles of Free Market Economics, Hillsdale College

FEMA Emergency Management Institute Certifications:

- Leadership and Influence
- Decision Making and Problem Solving
- Conduct and Behavior
- Effective Communication
- Public Information Officer Awareness
- Active Shooter: What You Can Do
- Social Media in Emergency Management
- Forms Used for the Development of the Incident Action Plan
- Integrated Public Alert and Warning System for Alert Originators
- An Introduction to the National Incident Management System
- Introduction to Incident Command System
- Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response
- National Response Framework, An Introduction
- National Disaster Recovery Framework Overview

