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**Village of Bellwood Mayor Andre F. Harvey Chosen for
Triton College's Alumni Wall of Fame**



Andre F. Harvey

RIVER GROVE – Andre F. Harvey, mayor of Bellwood, Illinois, is one of six inductees selected for Triton College's Alumni Wall of Fame. This honor is bestowed on individuals who have made a significant impact in their profession, community and beyond.

Since his mayoral election in April 2017, Mayor Harvey became the first African-American mayor of Bellwood, and the first African-American firefighter and fire chief in the village. He is also the director for Public Safety in Bellwood, overseeing the village's Police and Fire departments and the Bellwood Office of Emergency Management.

"Triton helped me with my career and led me to have a better understanding of the community," said Mayor Harvey, adding that his father also graduated from Triton College. "The college has always had a (personal) effect on me. I was also influenced by the Bellwood fire lieutenants and captains, who encouraged me to attend Triton (to study) fire science."

Mayor Harvey said that his education at Triton enabled him to enhance and strengthen his skills. "I truly grasped how to interact with people and how to become more of a leader."

"The family that I have made (at Triton) has noticed me and has presented me with this amazing accolade," he said in speaking to his Alumni Wall of Fame recognition. "Triton really values community and community leaders," adding that he encourages students to take advantage of all that Triton College has to offer.

Here's a short video featuring Mayor Harvey: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pj1bPk737ss>

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