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AFTER WINTER OF 2014 DELAY ANNUAL OPERATION SAVE A LIFE GIVEAWAY BEGINS



The Hotel Pierre in Manhattan played host to the winter of 2014 delayed Operation Save A Life kickoff. NJDFS representatives joined WABC 7 Anchor Bill Ritter for the annual event. The Division and its local partners have distributed over 115,000 smoke and CO alarms to the needy over the 12 years of participation in the program.



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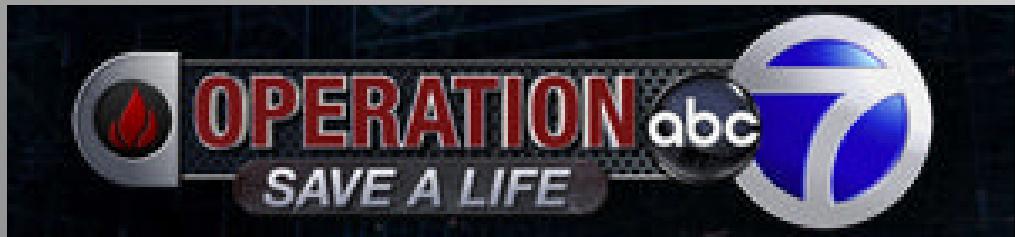
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WINTER OF 2014 DELAYS ANNUAL OPERATION SAVE A LIFE KICKOFF EVENT



The good guys wear the white hats: WABC 7 Anchorman Bill Ritter takes a moment out from the official 2014 Operation Save a Life kickoff proceedings with a portion of the New Jersey contingent who will be distributing life saving smoke alarms to the elderly and needy including: (left to right) North Hudson Regional Fire and Rescue Deputy Chief Donald Donnaruma, Chief of Department NHRFR Frank Montange, Bryan Hennig, Bergen County Fire Marshal, Bill Ritter and Larry Rauch, Chief Instructor Bergen County Fire Academy.

NJDFS “FIRE IS” PROGRAM SEES NATIONWIDE ADOPTION WITH NASFM ENDORSEMENT

The National Association of State Fire Marshals has joined the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety, Office of the State Fire Marshal in expressing its unqualified endorsement of the middle school age fire safety program “Fire is...”

The Division of Fire Safety is a charter member of the New Jersey Fire Safety Coalition, a diverse group of public safety and school interests in the state unified in support of the program for many years. The endorsement of the *National Association of State Fire Marshal’s* means the program may see widespread adoption beyond New Jersey by local and state fire officials nationwide.

The program, first conceived by television science reporter Dr.



The National Association of STATE FIRE MARSHALS

Frank Field, a fixture of New York television news for decades, addresses the very real facts about the danger fire presents in a series of video lessons *Fire is Black, Fire is Hot, Fire is Fast, Fire is Smoke and Gas, Fire is an Emergency*.

Struck by the amount of faulty notions the public possessed about the nature of fire during his years of news coverage, and the fact that many of those notions were conveyed to children, Dr. Field, using his science and journalism background, sought to create a series aimed at sixth to eighth graders that would transform those into more realistic notions now learned at an age when cognitive development develops lifelong cognition.

“We are pleased to announce that the National Association of State Fire Marshals has decided to add to our legacy endorsement and Division support of this important program and the benefit it can bring to our middle school age children now nationwide,” says William Kramer, Jr. Acting Director of the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and State Fire Marshal.

Kramer adds that the notions about the scientific facts concerning fire have been set aside in favor of those advanced by innumerable Hollywood movies and television series. Those notions, conveyed by caregivers and parents, lead to faulty and possibly fatal misconceptions about fire. He credits Field’s treatment of that subject as critical in reacquainting children at a still impressionable age with concepts about fire last revisited perhaps as daycare or primary school students as “Stop, Drop and Roll.”

Chief among them according to the topic covered in the very first video lesson is the very nature of fire itself, which Field endeavors to explain in a real life scenario filmed at a local fire-training academy.

There, Field joins his volunteer firefighter son, Storm, a former science reporter himself, in giving a particularly realistic depiction of fire as it is found to be. Not the bright flame filled burning buildings seen in scenes from numerous television programs nor Hollywood films, but a dark, invisible world of choking, toxic gases and black smoke.

Initially distributed free to fire departments over the years as a DVD, the program went online in 2011 with the help of federal funding. It is now supported by the nationally renown *St. Barnabas Burn Center* in Summit.

The program is available online in lesson form at www.njfiresafety.com and can be incorporated easily into the local middle school curriculum. The Division with Kean University conducts a CEU credit course each semester on the program for firefighters. The local fire department or fire official can also have a role to play with assisting the local school district administrators in setting the program in motion.

Interested? contact fireprevention@dca.state.nj.us

STUDY SHOWS VIGOROUS ACTIVITY MAY PRECEDE FF HEART ATTACK AND STROKE

Firefighters who died of heart attacks and other vascular problems such as stroke while on the job were most often doing vigorous physical activity right before the attack.

A study released recently that will be presented at the [American Academy of Neurology's 66th Annual Meeting](#) in Philadelphia this month showed just that according to experts.

"Knowing that these fatal heart attacks and other vascular events occur relatively frequently, fire departments and other workplaces need to be prepared to recognize these events and screen for those who may be at higher risk,"

So says Amna Zarar, MD, a researcher at Zeenat Qureshi Stroke Institute in St. Cloud, Minnesota and the study's author.

For the study, the researchers gathered data from the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) that had been received by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) from 1998 to 2012 on deaths that occurred while firefighters were on duty. The data collected rated the activities the firefighters were engaged in prior to the cardiovascular event as either "light to moderate" or "vigorous." There were 199 fatal cardiovascular events while firefighters were on duty. Of those, 167 were heart

attacks, 12 were from irregular heartbeat, three were from stroke, with the rest from other cardiovascular causes.

A total of 148 of the events occurred after vigorous activity lasting an average of 33 minutes. The firefighters who died were an average of 49 years old and had served an average of 22 years as firefighters. CPR was performed for 178 of the firefighters, and an external defibrillator was used for 151 of them. A total of 88 of the firefighters were actively engaged in fighting a fire at the time of the cardiovascular event, Zarar said.

At least 61 were responding to an emergency. About 35 percent of the events occurred at the fire station, triggered by fitness training or lifting heavy fire hoses or other equipment.

Zarar said screening for those at high risk of heart attack or other events should include tests for high cholesterol, blood sugar tests for diabetes and stress EKG tests.

"People also need more awareness of the symptoms and signs that can precede or occur with a heart attack or stroke," Zarar said, "along with better screening for risk factors with regular health check-ups."

The study was supported by Zeenat Qureshi Stroke Institute.



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FIRELINE REPORT:

With William Kramer, Jr., Acting Director

Chief Kramer regrettably notes three firefighter fatalities thus far this year:

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Firefighter and former Chief of Department, Joseph E. Bove, III, of the Spotswood Fire Department succumbed shortly after responding to a multifamily unit housing complex on a report of the smell of natural gas on March 13, 2014.

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Fire Captain Gregory D. Barnas, of the Wallington and Jersey City fire departments, succumbed to injuries sustained after falling from the roof of a restaurant fire he was ventilating on February 28, 2014.

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Firefighter Cosmo Paris of the Cliffside Park Fire Department, succumbed in his motor vehicle returning home after a fire watch duty that extended 16 hours in sub-freezing temperatures on January 8, 2014.

REQUIESCANT IN PACE



The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety Fire Information and Rescue Education Bowl, a scholastic competition among the state's middle school students received a National Fire Prevention Association citation as a Model Program for Fire Safety Education at the NFPA Mid-Atlantic Conference in Baltimore this year. F.I.R.E. Bowl Coordinator Charles Lavin was on hand to brief jurisdictions interested in adopting the model. The competition's ninth year culminates at Kean University where the F.I.R.E. Bowl state champions of 2014 will be declared.



Bureau Chief Lou Kilmer reports that the Registration and Management System (RIMS) continues apace with its widespread adoption among state Local Enforcing Agencies, with at least one person of each local agency authenticated on the system and others continually being trained. This year Chief Kilmer notes that Annual Report compliance is well ahead of years when it was a paper report submission requirement.

NJDFS-KEAN SET FORTH A COMPREHENSIVE OFFERING OF COURSES FOR SPRING 2014



SPRING 2014 TRAINING COURSES

for Fire Officials, Fire Inspectors, Fire Instructors and Firefighters

The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety combines with Kean University for a comprehensive array of training and ongoing certification offerings for the spring 2014 course catalogue to assure that the members of the New Jersey Fire Service, be they firefighters, fire officials, fire officers, fire administrators, and first responders are afforded the very best and latest instruction in all aspects of fire related disciplines.

*Presented by: New Jersey Department of Community Affairs,
Division of Fire Safety in cooperation with Kean University*



The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and its training and certification partner Kean University are putting forth an historic level of administrative, technical, continuing education, Chubb lab and juvenile firesetter offerings for the spring 2014 course list.

The Division now offers Pro Board certification backing recognized by jurisdictions nationwide, on top of a state-of-the-art online registration system and Continuing Education Unit accreditation.

FEDERAL INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE LOOKS AT IMPROVING LOCAL EMS RESPONSE

Increasingly, EMS duties are being taken on by local fire companies.

In an effort to further coordinate federal efforts in emergency medical services (EMS), the members of the Federal Interagency Committee on EMS (FICEMS) reached consensus on a strategic plan that maps action steps for federal support of optimal emergency medical services systems nationwide.

FICEMS vision statement: A federal interagency committee that enhances coordination and ensures the strategic alignment of EMS priorities among Federal agencies to ensure quality patient care

FICEMS mission statement: Ensure coordination among Federal agencies, supporting local, regional, State, tribal and territorial emergency medical

services and 9-1-1 systems, to improve the delivery of EMS services throughout the nation.

The plan also includes six overarching goals and 30 specific objectives. FICEMS plans to achieve these by coordinating interagency policies, programming and messaging, as well as soliciting and integrating stakeholder input from across the EMS community, including from the National EMS Advisory Council (NEMSCA).

At the meeting, members identified four focal areas for immediate action: Supporting the development, implementation and evaluation of evidence-based guidelines (EGBs) according to the National Prehospital EBG Model Process. Promoting standardization and quality improvement of prehospital data by supporting the adoption and implementation of National EMS Information System-Compliant systems. Improving EMS system all-hazard preparedness, including pandemic influenza, through support of multidisciplinary planning for disasters.



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Working with State EMS offices to support the transition of military EMS providers to civilian practice. Many collaborative efforts are already underway, including standardization and quality improvement of data as

well as the priority initiative to support the transition of military veterans into civilian positions.

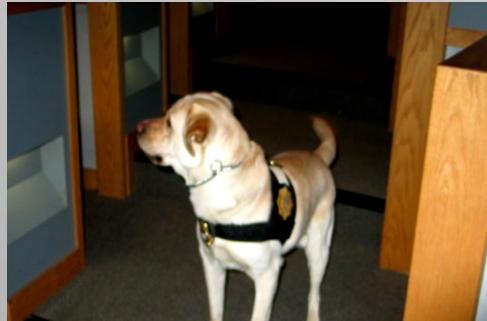
Established by Congress in 2005, FICEMS has coordinated Federal agency efforts to support local, regional, State, tribal and territorial EMS and 911 systems. To download the FICEMS Strategic Plan, click [here](#).

(See Related article)

[**FIRE DEPARTMENTS SHIFT TO MEDICAL CARE**](#)

NEWEST ARSON UNIT CANINE 'TORCH' DELIGHTS STUDENTS AT DEMONSTRATION

In advance of the annual NJDFS Scholastic F.I.R.E. Bowl student competitors are afforded one last opportunity to gain additional awareness of the topics to be covered in the preliminary rounds of the competition, by being treated to a live demonstration by provided by Investigator Canine Handler Jeff Silver and Investigator Canine Handler Stephen Letts. This year it featured the introduction of the Arson Unit "probie" Torch. Torch, fresh from his Acad-



"Find the cause!"

(Said in a high pitched handler's voice it tells Torch to begin working the scene.)



emy training was able to demonstrate to the absolute delight of the assembled that he is ready to perform in the way fellow canines "Ashes" and "Hunter" do on a daily basis for the Unit. The canines all receive intensive training in accelerant detection and are commonly deployed by the Unit in arson investigations throughout the state. Torch takes over the duties of Arson Unit canine "Scout" who is retiring after 10 years service.



Torch in "hot" pursuit

(Accelerant hidden in the large auditorium)



Torch zeros in on the evidence that may result in an arson charge.

USFA ELECTRICAL FIRES 2009-2011 TOLL 280 DEAD 1,125 INJURED AND 1.1 BILLION LOSS

FEMA US Fire Administration just released statistical analysis of the nature an extent of electrical fires across the national shows a tragic toll of human life and extensive injury. Damage to property all of it residential topped the billion dollar mark at 1.1 billion for the years data was gathered. The report suggest pre-emptive measures to include:

- Understanding the basics of your home's electrical system
- Installing safe technologies, Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters (AFCIs) Ground Fault Circuit Interrupters (GFCIs) and Tamper Proof Receptacles
- Properly maintain your electrical system and components by hiring a licensed electrician. Keeping your electrical panel accessible. Properly labeling all circuits. Replacing fuse or breakers with the correct size and amperage. Have a pro audit the entire system if the home is 40 years or older.

ELECTRICAL FIRES!



An estimated 25,900 residential building electrical fires were reported to fire departments within the United States each year. These fires caused an estimated 280 deaths, 1,125 injuries and \$1.1 billion in property loss. Residential building electrical fires resulted in greater dollar loss per fire than residential building nonelectrical fires.



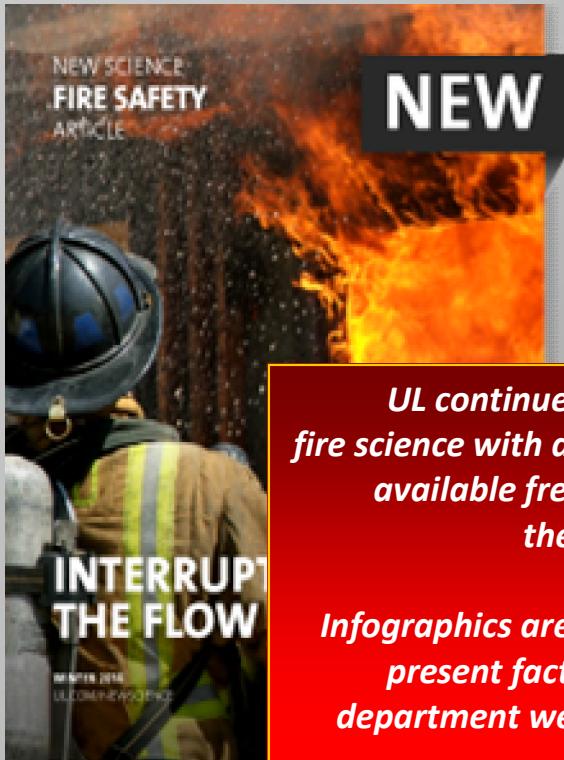
In 79 percent of residential building electrical fires, the fire spread beyond the object where the fire started.



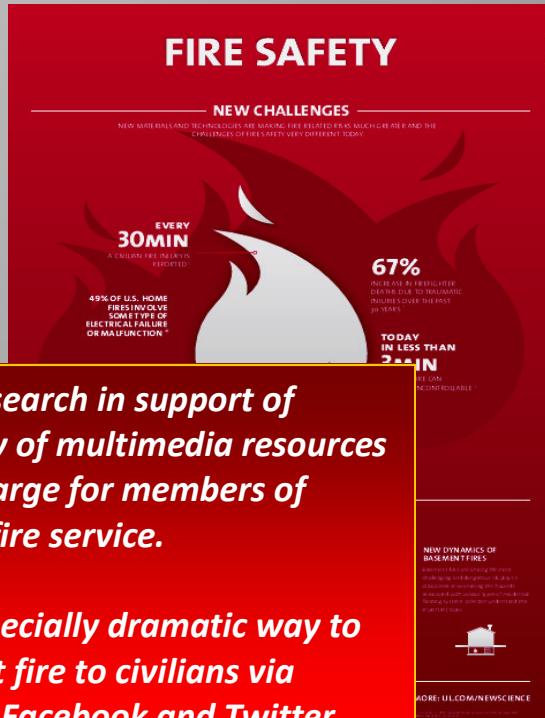
The leading items most often first ignited in residential building electrical fires were electrical wire/cable insulation (30 percent) and structural member or framing (19 percent).



UL LABS OFFERS FIRE SCIENCE MULTIMEDIA IN SUPPORT OF THE NEW JERSEY FIRE SERVICE



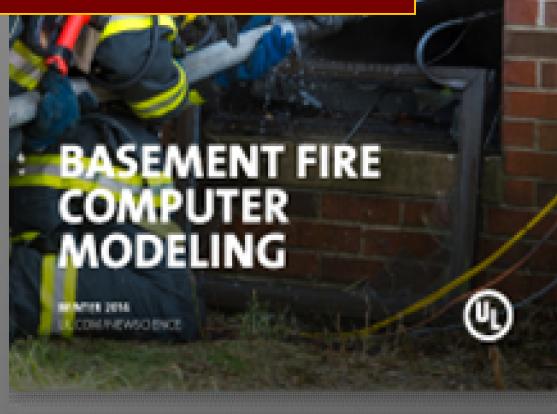
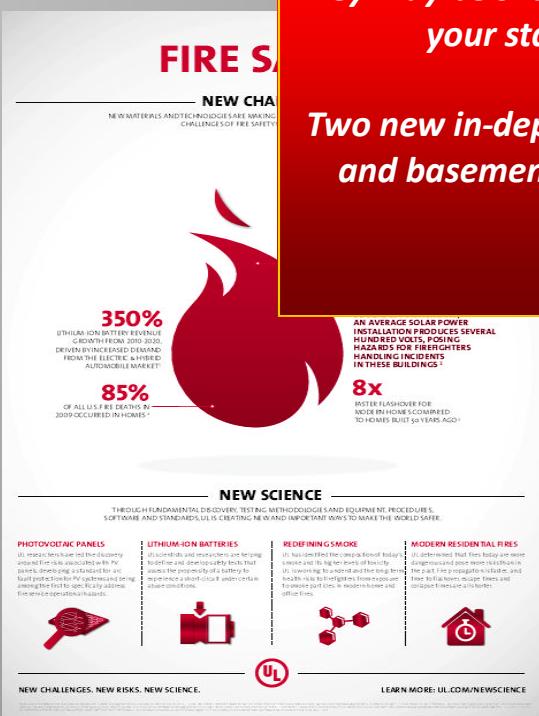
UL continues its research in support of fire science with a variety of multimedia resources available free of charge for members of the state fire service.



They may be shared with elected officials, including your state district representatives.

Two new in-depth features examine fire flow path and basement fires are great firehouse reads.

[UL ONLINE RESOURCES](#)



NAT'L FIRE ACADEMY EXECUTIVE FIRE OFFICER PROGRAM CUT OFF DATE JUNE 15



The Executive Fire Officer Program (EFOP) is an initiative of the United States Fire Administration-National Fire Academy designed to provide senior officers and others in key leadership roles with:

- ▶ The need to transform fire and emergency services organizations from being reactive to proactive; with an emphasis on leadership development, prevention, and risk-reduction;
- ▶ Transforming fire and emergency services organizations to reflect the diversity of America's various communities;
- ▶ The value of research and its application to the profession; and the value of lifelong learning.
- ▶ Enhanced executive-level knowledge, skills, and abilities necessary to lead these transformations, conduct research, and engage in lifelong learning.

The officers enhance their professional development through a unique series of four graduate and upper-division-baccalaureate equivalent courses. The EFOP spans a 4-year period with 4 core courses. Each course is 2 weeks in length. The EFOP participant must complete an Applied Research Project (ARP) that relates to their organization within 6 months after the completion of each of the four courses. A certificate of completion for the entire EFOP is awarded only after the successful completion of the final research project.

Application Procedure

-A letter from the applicant requesting admission to the EFOP. This letter should specify the applicant's qualification (see eligibility section), commitment to complete the entire program, including the Applied Research Projects, and the applicant's perceived expectations) of the program.

-A resume of the applicant.

-A letter of recommendation from the applicant's jurisdictional head (Mayor, City Manager, Chief of Department, etc.). The letter should have a statement from the sponsor of organizational commitment to support the applicant in completing both courses and applied research.

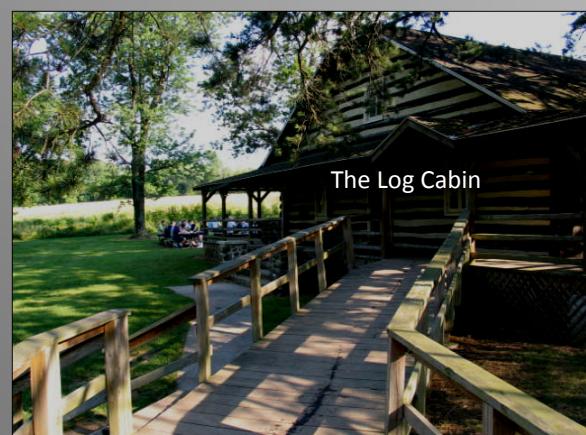
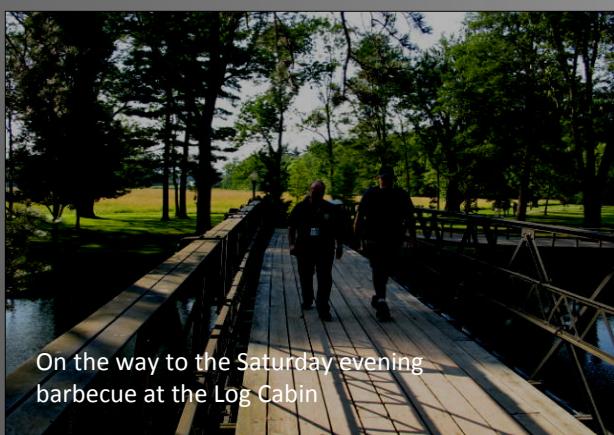
Formal Application

Application Essay



FELLOWSHIP AND TRAINING KEY ACTIVITIES AT NJ WEEKEND AT NAT'L FIRE ACADEMY

Over 200 firefighters and fire officers from both the state of Mississippi, (who braved a 28 hour drive for some 16 hours of classes), and New Jersey gathered in the spirit of fellowship and training at the National Fire Academy in April. The weekend hosted by the Division, Kean University and the Academy is a chance for the state fire service to gather in a “retreat” type setting to share common experiences among themselves and their southern counterparts this year. Coincidentally, about 10 miles From the Gettysburg National Military Park.



POINT PLEASANT FIRE CAUSES THE NJDFS TO TURN UP THE HEAT ON CARELSS SMOKING

The New Jersey Division of Fire in cooperation with the United States Fire Administration will step up its anti smoking public education efforts in the wake of two fires said to have been caused by careless smoking. One in Point Pleasant resulted in four fatalities.

The effort focuses on local jurisdictions, including local career and volunteer fire departments to augment their existing efforts of educating the public about the fire danger and in particular, those connected to unsafe cigarettes.

New Jersey was already in the forefront of taking action against careless smoking, by way of the *Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act*, which was signed into law in 2007.

The New Jersey Division of Fire Safety is the primary enforcement agency of the law, while the Division of Taxation and the state Attorney Generals have enforcing roles too. Penalties of up to \$250,000 and the confiscation of non-complying cigarettes are possible under the statute. Safe cigarettes “self-extinguish” if no smoke is drawn, decreasing the risk of sleep related cigarette fires.

The Division of Fire Safety will be utilizing a direct to source form of sharing public education resources via a monthly update sent to fire departments and fire officials called *New Jersey State Fire Marshal Message Online*. Part of the Division of Fire Safety public education rationale is to encourage local fire officials and local fire departments to reach out within their own jurisdictions by utilizing Division sourced internet links which permit access to fire prevention materials for either posting to department websites or face book pages for access by residents within the local community.

“The nature of the traditional public education function by firefighters is gradually embracing the limitless possibilities of the world wide web by affording them a comprehensive way for cautioning people about careless smoking and a host of other behaviors that can leave them vulnerable to fire,” says William Kramer, Jr. Acting Director of the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety and State Fire Marshal.

Kramer says that the Division will assist FEMA’s US Fire Administration in promoting grass roots firehouse awareness of their *“Smoking and Home Fires”* campaign.

The campaign offers a multimedia approach to informing the general population about the danger careless smoking of unsafe cigarettes represents.

Local firefighters can in turn be able to post You Tube videos, issue Media Releases, Fact Sheets, Power Point presentations, Consumer Fact Sheets, Community Meeting Talking Points, and Public Service Announcements to assist them in spreading the word throughout the community.

“These new incidents show us that we all have much more work to do to in reducing the toll careless smoking of unsafe cigarettes continues to take in New Jersey,” says Kramer.

Click banner below for direct access to materials from the “Smoking and Home Fires” campaign which you can post and publish on Facebook and Twitter or email to residents.



“CAT IN A TREE” OR “MISSION-CREEP” THE QUESTION FOR THE NJ FIRE SERVICE

As firefighters arrived on the scene, they knew they'd encountered something truly different that would test their accumulated skills. The lady had a snake under her rug. "I said to her, 'With all due respect, why did you call the fire department?'" said Phil Davis, a retired deputy fire chief from Elk Grove, Calif. "She said, 'Because I knew you'd come.'"

It's true. Rescuers want to rescue, and that ever-ready mentality has been the hallmark of fire departments for decades. (Cats in trees? No problem.) But that same can-do attitude has some policymakers thinking that firefighters can — and will — do anything. In most fire stations today, putting out fires is merely the start of a day's work. In addition to the emergency medical services that have long been a part of the repertoire, many fire stations field their own specialized hazardous materials team. They perform skilled rescue operations from deep wells and swift water, deliver babies, engage in counterterrorism and sometimes even catch snakes.

Of the 31,854,000 calls to U.S. fire departments in 2012, only 1,375,000 were for fires. Medical aid accounted for the bulk of the rest at 21,705,500, according to the National Fire Protection Association. Hazmat, mutual aid, false alarms and other events made up the difference. Some say this ever-expanding mission creep is dangerous, stretching resources too thin and diluting firefighters' ability to do what they do best. It seems reasonable to ask: How did we get here? What are the risks? And what's to be done about it? What do firefighters do besides dousing flames? A scan of recent headlines helps demonstrate the degree to which fire stations have extended their efforts.

In July, New Mexico hazmat teams dispatched from local fire stations three times in a single week. In one case they tackled a suspicious package containing an unknown powder addressed to Gov. Susana Martinez's office. The letter contained court documents. Earlier that week, clerks in the Santa Fe and Tierra Amarilla courthouses had opened similar packages, with hazmat

stepping in each time. Last summer an Arizona monsoon sent firefighters on swift water rescues three times in under an hour. A man got trapped in his car, a woman was swept under a bridge and a teen boy got stuck in the middle of a wash.

In December, five Cornelius, Ore., firefighters won commendation for helping a woman deliver a baby in her car. And in September, firefighters in Brooklyn, N.Y., delivered Toni Davis' baby on the couch in her apartment. "God bless those firemen; they always come through for us," said new grandmother Arlene Davis. Sometimes they even put out fires. The fire department's expanding role has been going on for decades. In the 1970s, doctors home from Vietnam began introducing emergency medicine into firefighting. Hazmat emerged in the 1980s, and in the 1990s, firefighters increasingly took on the role of technical rescue experts.

Lately the call for services has cascaded: Hazmat has come to embrace weapons of mass destruction, which has led to counterterrorism duty. Somewhere along the way, active shooter response got tossed into the mix. In the most extreme examples, some firefighters also serve as active police officers.

Much of this expansion is budget driven. With rescue professionals already on the payroll, some policymakers have seen a natural logic in saddling those professionals with additional rescue-related tasks (or at least roughly related). Some of the phenomenon can be attributed to firefighters themselves: that can-do persona, that readiness to serve. And some of it's just lousy PR work.

"The fire service hasn't done a good job marketing itself," Phil Davis said.

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AT ISSUE:

FY'15 FIRE SERVICE FUNDING

HR 3979 RETURNS VOLUNTEER STATUS TO VOLUNTEERS



The White House unveiled the Administration's Fiscal Year 2015 budget proposal. The \$3.9 trillion budget, which is an estimated increase of \$250 billion over the Fiscal Year 2014 levels, contains \$38.2 billion for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. This represents a decrease of approximately \$1 billion from Fiscal Year 2014 appropriations for the department.

Several programs of importance to the nation's fire and emergency services are among those considered for budget cuts under the administration's proposal. The Assistance to Firefighters (FIRE) and the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant programs would be reduced by \$10 million to \$670 million for both grant programs. Congress appropriated \$680 million in Fiscal Year 2014, which was an increase of \$5 million over the previous fiscal year.

The budget would reduce funding for the United States Fire Administration's budget to \$41.407 million - approximately the same amount the Administration requested for Fiscal Year 2014 and \$2.6 million less than the \$44 million approved by Congress for Fiscal Year 2014. The budget would also cut funding for the Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Response System by approximately twenty percent. The current Administration proposes \$27.513 million compared to \$35.18 million Congress approved for the current fiscal year.

The Volunteer Fire Assistance (VFA) Program is one fire service program that would virtually remain intact. VFA provides funding to state forestry agencies to deliver grants to fire departments for

the purchase of firefighting equipment and training to respond to wildland fires in rural jurisdictions. The Administration proposes \$13 million in funding for Fiscal Year 2015, a slight decrease from the \$13.025 million appropriated for Fiscal Year 2014.

(From CSFI)

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On April 7, the U.S. Senate passed H.R. 3979, the Protecting Volunteer Firefighters and Emergency Responders Act, as the legislative vehicle for the Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits extension. H.R. 3979 amends the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA or Obamacare) to clarify in statute that volunteer emergency responders are not counted as employees under health care reform. H.R. 3979 now goes back to the House, which originally passed the bill on March 11. It is unclear at this time whether the House will pass or even vote on the bill with the UI extension language included. In February, the U.S. Department of Treasury published final implementing regulations for the PPACA clarifying that bona fide volunteers will not be counted as employees under the law. As a result, agencies will not be penalized for failing to offer health insurance benefits to nominally compensated volunteers.

This had been a major concern for volunteers in New Jersey and elsewhere. Enacting H.R.3979 would essentially codify the Treasury regulations for volunteer emergency responders.

(From NVFC)



AT ISSUE:

NEW JERSEY FIRE SERVICE LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

(1) Introduced (2) Moving (3) To the Governor



ASSEMBLY

A391 (1)

*Impact statement affecting
volunteer fire company
(Bucco)*

A507 (1)

*Charitable Fee Exemption for
Fire Company
(Peterson)*

A511 (1)

*Change District Election Date
(Peterson)*

A942 (1)

*"Assistance to Firefighter
Families Act"
(Wiseniewski)*

A1039 (1)

*Fire Department Drones
(Prieto)*

A 1224 (1)

*Fire District consolidation
(McGukin)*

A1250 (1)

*FO Tenure with 5 years
of service
(Prieto)*

A1408 (1)

*Fire Company Utility Credit
(Chivukula)*

A 1537 (1)

*Less Time For Exempt
Certificate
(Rible)*

A1699 (1)

*PERS to PFRS For Certain
Firefighters
(Wiseniewski)*

A1698 (1)

*Residential Sprinkler Bill
(Wiseniewski)*

A1976 (1)

*Report On Campus Fires to
University Board of Directors
(Riley)*

A1987 (1)

*Sample Mail Ballots for Fire
District Elections
(Riley)*

A2147 (1)

*Fire Department Drones
Restrictions
(Casagrande)*

A2319 (1)

*Fair share of tax appeal refunds
from Fire Departments
(Bucco)*

A2689 (1)

*State Police surplus vehicles to
Fire Departments
(De Angelo)*

A2746

*Upholstered Furniture Fire
Safety Regulations
(McKeon)*

A2779 (1)

*Maximize Contribution to Fire
Company Biennially by Towns
(Andrejczak)*

A2945 (1)

*Fire Department
Arbitration Cap
(Rodriguez)*

A2947 (1)

*November Fire District Elections
(Dancer)*

A2996 (1)

*Require Snow Removal From
Fire Hydrants
(Lagana)*



AT ISSUE:

NEW JERSEY FIRE SERVICE LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

(1) Introduced (2) Moving (3) To the Governor



A30006 (1)

Requires Procedure for Fire District Consolidation (Conaway)

A3048 (1)

Maximizes Municipal Fire Safety Purposes Allocation (Brown)

A3067

*Arbitration Cap
-Substituted by S1869-*

ACR99

\$ 200 Property Tax Credit for Volunteers (Singleton)

SENATE

S106 (1)

Certify Municipal Building Meets Fire Code (Bucco)

S109 (1)

Solar Panel Emblem (Bucco)

S309 (2)

*Fire District Tax Exemption for Certain Municipal Property (Gordon)
-Withdrawn-*

A458

*S565 (1)
Fire-EMS Crisis Hotline Law & Public Safety (Madden)*

S485 (1)

Report On Campus Fires to University Board of Directors (Cunningham)

S812 (1)

Change Fire District Election Date (Beach)

S830 (1)

"Assistance to Firefighter's Families Act" (Norcross)

S851 (1)

Solar Panel Building Emblem (Norcross)

S1023 (1)

Fire District Consolidation (Bucco)

S1089 (1)

Fire District Fair Share of Tax Appeal Refunds (Bucco)

S1092 (1)

Reduce Required Duty for Exempt Status (Bucco)

S1102 (1)

Seat for Fire Service on Domestic Security Group (Bucco)

S1221 (1)

"Group Home Fire Safety Act" (Vitale)

S1288 (1)

Charitable Fee Exemption (Doherty)

S1480 (1)

Maximizes Municipal Contribution to Fire Safety (Van Drew)



AT ISSUE:

NEW JERSEY FIRE SERVICE LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

(1) Introduced (2) Moving (3) To the Governor



S1559 (1)

*Impact Statement before
Regulation of Fire Service
(Bucco)*

S1613 (1)

*Surplus State Police Vehicle to Fire Service
(VanDrew)*

S1814 (1)

*Permanent Arbitration Cap
(Addeigo)*

S1869) (3)

*Arbitration Cap Extension
(Sweeny)
Conditional Veto*

SCR87 (1)

\$200 Credit on Property Tax for Volunteers

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