

## FINAL RECOMMENDATION

June 12, 2002

### Recommendation of the Action Plan Team: CORE Mission

**Statement of Issue #: 12-18 The fire safety and related research and development agenda should be a higher priority of the Federal government.**

#### Recommendation #R-57

Summary:

Establish federal sector and non-fire service organization (e.g. AIA) stakeholders teams that identify and pursue opportunities to mitigate and reduce fire and related risks.

Recommendation:

Continue to actively participate and pursue our involvement in establishing new and expanding existing partnerships with both Federal and non-fire service organizations.

Background:

USFA is a small Federal organization with very limited resources, and a large national scope audience. But, by using partnerships and working with other organizations, USFA will continue to address ways to focus on the nation's fire problem.

The issue of partnering was recognized in Federal circles officially as far back as 1930 with the creation of the Federal Fire Council (FFC). As a champion of information exchange among and between various Federal departments on fire safety and fire departments on fire safety and fire protection, the Council (disbanded in 1977) had an almost identical role as is now being potentially considered via the Federal Fire Working Group (FFWG).

Effective August 17, 2000, the Federal Emergency Management Agency established a Federal Fire Working Group (FFWG), to be chaired by USFA. USFA is assigning its resources to a new opportunity by formally seeking policy-level relationships with Federal agencies having major fire protection responsibilities (taking our lead from Chapter 19 of America Burning, "Federal Involvement") just as was originally envisioned for the Federal Fire Programs. In linking USFA, as the Federal Emergency Management Agency's fire safety advocate, with other Federal agencies, we will be able to return to our legislative intent of high-level Federal agency partnering

for fire protection leadership across government. The FFWG will still allow us to be a strong support of Federal/Military fire protection issues but now more globally from the highest levels of government.

On May 24, 2001, the FFWG met at FEMA HQs, Washington, DC, to discuss the bold undertaking of the Federal agencies appointed to the FFWG.

USFA is a member of the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) and first became involved back in 1988-89. The goal of NWCG is to provide more effective execution of each agency's fire management program. The group provides a formalized system to agree upon standards of training, equipment, qualifications, aircraft, suppression priorities, and other operational functions.

NWCG has 13 working teams that accomplish work products for the NWCG, which is a policy making group. USFA has a staff representative on the NWCG and as well has staff representatives serving on 2 NWCG teams, the Wildland/Urban Interface Working Team and the Training Working Team.

USFA currently participates in and provides support to the federal working committee made up of representatives from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), and the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). The main purpose of this committee is to coordinate resources and programs to eliminate/substantially reduce America's residential fires within the next 20 years.

Priority:

High

Step(s) to Achieve:

1. Continue to sponsor stakeholder's meetings to gather information and recommendations on how to improve USFA services.
2. USFA should serve as the central point of contact in a program of information exchange for all Federal and allied professional programs having to do with fire.
3. Continue to use and expand on USFA partnerships. (See attached list of current partnerships.)

Estimated Time Frame:

On-going effort

Estimated Cost: Staff time

Outcome: To provide an opportunity for the Federal sector to have close coordination and interface with non-fire service organizations.

Conclusion: The goal is to improve the fire protection and prevention efforts by eliminating duplication, filling identified voids, treating common problems, maximizing utilization of resources, and disseminating technical information to reduce the Nation's loss of life and property associated with fire.

The Core Mission Team supports this recommendation.

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** US Dept. of Agriculture Forest Service

**Performance Period/Dates:** 10/1/99 - 9/30/02

**Project Objective/Description:**

Transfer of NFA Technology in developing instruction for incident scene decision making. Determine the feasibility of establishing off-site locations for receiving interactive training simulations.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
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**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite

**Project Objective/Description:**

Ambulance Service

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** ANGI

**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite

**Project Objective/Description:**

A partnership between Army National Guard Institute and DDP to provide educational service to ANG service members.

**Target Audience:** Army National Guard servicemembers

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Arson and Explosives National Repository

**Performance Period/Dates:** 10/31/98 to 10/31/02

### **Project Objective/Description:**

The purpose of the agreement is to foster sharing of fire loss data between the two agencies and to assist other Federal, State, and Local law enforcement and fire service agencies with the investigation of fire and explosion related incidents.

**Target Audience:** Fire service community.

**Additional References:** Organization POC: Special Agent William Grom

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Colleges/Universities

**Performance Period/Dates:** 8/00 - 12/01

### **Project Objective/Description:**

To provide funds to the 7 DDP - related colleges/universities to develop alternate strategies to deliver DDP courses.

**Target Audience:** Firefighters, fire officers and/or arson investigators pursuing degrees, certification, and/or courses to prep

**Additional References:** Univ. of Cincinnati, Univ. of MD, Univ. of Memphis, Empire State College, Cogswell College, Western IL Univ., Western OR Univ.

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** NFPA, Center for High-Risk Outreach

**Performance Period/Dates:**

### **Project Objective/Description:**

Training Program Delivered in NFA, center for High-Risk outreach provided technical assistance, artwork in designing, developing and delivering the course.

**Target Audience:** Public safety educators.

**Additional References:** Trina Clever, NFA

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Tom Daniels

**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite

**Project Objective/Description:**

Provide lodging, conference and meeting rooms.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:** On-Going

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), Goddard Space Center

**Performance Period/Dates:** 4/6/00 - 6/6/01

**Project Objective/Description:**

System uses existing paging network and new technologies incorporated into paging devices - such as two-way paging, GPS for determining user location, etc. Fire services to participate in tests to determine utility for fighting wide range of fires, rescue scenarios, and hazardous materials response.

**Target Audience:** Fire Service and Emergency Managers

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** State Fire Training Systems

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

A process of review for quality that permits State training systems to place courses they developed into the USFA/NFA curriculum.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** State Fire Training Systems

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

Gives State fire training systems equal partnership with USFA/NFA. Partnership allows them to hire NFA instructors and deliver NFA courses based on their needs.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Institute of Standards and Technology

**Performance Period/Dates:** Not yet awarded.

**Project Objective/Description:**

To conduct research on performance on thermal imaging systems to enhance firefighter safety in operational situations. This effort would examine the capabilities and limitations of such systems leading to better evaluation, standards, training, and understanding by local-fire and emergency services departments. Issues such as differential resolution, thermal exposure, performance during suppression, ease of use, etc. would be examined under this effort.

**Target Audience:** Emergency Response Personnel

**Additional References:** Organizational POC: Dan Madrzykowski

**Comments:**

## Federal Library Products and Services

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:**

**Performance Period/Dates:** Every fiscal year since 1975.

**Project Objective/Description:**

The Library of Congress acts as a "GSA" for Federal libraries. It procures library type services and negotiates contracts similar to GSA schedules for Federal libraries to use in establishing accounts with serials agents, book agents...

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Academic Fire Programs. State and local fire service training.

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

To build a National Network of higher education including FESHE and fire service training agencies to serve fire service personnel in pursuit of lifelong training.

**Target Audience:** Fire science coordinators, State Directors of Fire Service Training, and TRADE.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## Fire Prevention Week 2000

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** NFPA

**Performance Period/Dates:** 4/20/00 - 4/19/01

**Project Objective/Description:**

Join in National Fire Prevention Week activities with NFPA as a sponsor, but particularly, the Weekly Reader & Lifetime Learning System Fire Prevention Week issue.

**Target Audience:** General and Elementary School Children, Teachers and Parents.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Fire Chief Frank Davis

**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite

**Project Objective/Description:**

Fire Protection Services

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**



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**Type of Instrument:** Cooperative Agreement  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Interantional Association of Fire Chiefs

**Performance Period/Dates:** 12 Months - October 1, 2000 - September 30, 2001

### Project Objective/Description:

To provide continued information to the fire and emergency services community, emergency managers, and other local-level government officials (including elected, administrative, management and response personnel) concerning issues related to the mitigation, prevention, and response to Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) incidents, which would include acts of Terrorism.

**Target Audience:** Emergency Response Personnel; Federal, State, and Local Government

**Additional References:** Organization POC: Garry Briese/Andrew White

### Comments:

## For a Safer America Coalition

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Allstate Foundation, NFPA, IAFF, CPSC, IAFC, IABPFF, General Federation of Women's Clubs, (see Comments for further partners).

**Performance Period/Dates:** 2/2/93 - Indefinite

### Project Objective/Description:

Improve safety for American Children

**Target Audience:** American children under age 19. This Project has produced two excellent videotapes and several PSA's

### Additional References:

**Comments:** Other Partners: American Trauma Society, National Association of Elementary School Principals, The National PTA, The Ad Council, NVFC, American Association of School Administrators, CFSI, Fleishman-Hillard (Advertising Agency), National Consumers League, NASFM, and Avrett Free & Ginsburg (Public Relations Firm)

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** State Fire Training Systems

**Performance Period/Dates:**

### Project Objective/Description:

Permits State training systems to request Train-the-Trainer deliveries for 2-day courses.

**Target Audience:**

### Additional References:

### Comments:

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## Harvard Fellowship Program

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** NFPA, IAFC and Kennedy School of Government - Harvard Univ.

**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite

**Project Objective/Description:**

Provides for the participation of senior fire executives each year in the "Senior Executives in state and local government program" at the Kennedy School of Government - Harvard University. (NFPA)

**Target Audience:** Senior Fire Executives

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## IFE Annual Conference

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**Type of Instrument:** Grant  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Institution of Fire Engineers

**Performance Period/Dates:** Annual

**Project Objective/Description:**

Address various issues regarding the field of public fire protection.

**Target Audience:** Higher level fire executives.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## inFire - International Network of Fire Information Resources and Exchange

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**Type of Instrument:** Other - Consortium  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:**

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

International consortium of fire libraries.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:** [www.wpi.edu/Academics/Library/inFire](http://www.wpi.edu/Academics/Library/inFire)

**Comments:**

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## Inter-Agency Agreement with U.S. Consumer Product Safety

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** CPSC

**Performance Period/Dates:** 9/18/00 - 9/17/01

### Project Objective/Description:

Develop "Safe" Stoves; Electric Wiring in Older Residences; Smoke Alarm Technology; Automatic Sprinkler Technology; Mattress Fire Safety

### Target Audience:

### Additional References:

**Comments:** FY-2000 EMW-IA-0302 in place. FY-2001 Mod awaiting signature by CPSC.

## Law Enforcement/Security

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Sheriff James Hagey

**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite each Fiscal Year

### Project Objective/Description:

Law Enforcement/Security at NETC

### Target Audience:

### Additional References:

### Comments:

## Limited Area Fire Sprinklers System for Residential Applications

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Institute of Standards and Technology Organizational POC:  
Dan Madrzy Kowski

**Performance Period/Dates:** 12/1/99 - 6/1/01

### Project Objective/Description:

Available data shows that certain areas of the home are more vulnerable to fires than others. The kitchen area and more specifically the cooking area has the potential for an isolated partial sprinkler system (limited area system).

**Target Audience:** National Fire Codes, Home Builders/Remodel

### Additional References:

### Comments:

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## MOU between organizations at NETC and IT Service Directorate.

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Information Technology Services Directorate

**Performance Period/Dates:** Indefinite period of performance-signed by IT Assoc. Dir. 12/21/97.

### Project Objective/Description:

The MOU acknowledges that FEMA IT support services are consolidated in IT Services Directorate. Purpose of MOU is to define roles and responsibilities of the parties to improve service and mutual understanding.

**Target Audience:** Organizational components as NETC.

### Additional References:

### Comments:

## National Fire Police Summit

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Cumberland Valley Volunteer Firemen's Association

**Performance Period/Dates:** 12 Months from Award Date - September 14, 1999 - Jan. 31, 2001

### Project Objective/Description:

To develop programs to reduce injury and death to fire police and other emergency responders on the highway. The summit will result in the production of a report targeting the enhancement of occupational safety and health of fire police throughout the United States.

**Target Audience:** Fire police, emergency response personnel

**Additional References:** Organization POC: Stephen Austin

### Comments:

## National SAFE KIDS Campaign

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**Type of Instrument:** Grant  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National SAFE KIDS Campaign

**Performance Period/Dates:** 8/30/00 - 10/30/01

### Project Objective/Description:

Provide financial and technical assistance to the National SAFE KIDS Campaign to help state and local Coalitions bring fire safety programs to children.

**Target Audience:** Children under age 19

### Additional References:

**Comments:** EME-97-GR-0280 in place, funded for FY-2000; Not funded in FY-2001

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## Native American Fire Safety

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Indian Health Service

**Performance Period/Dates:** 7/31/00 - 12/31/01

**Project Objective/Description:**  
Improve Fire Safety for Native Americans.

**Target Audience:** Native Americans, pre-school children and elderly

**Additional References:**

**Comments:** EME-97-IA-0386 Mod 3

## NFIC Cooperative Agreement

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** The National Fire Information Council (NFIC)

**Performance Period/Dates:** 7/28/98 - 1/31/01

**Project Objective/Description:**  
Cooperative agreement between NFIC and USFA to assist USFA in collecting, analyzing, and sharing NFIRS fire data. NFIC is a non-profit volunteer organization of State and Metro NFIRS program managers.

**Target Audience:** NFIRS, Fire Incident Reporting

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## Nine 1-day workshops on Performance-Based Code Design for Fire Safety

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**Organizational Partner:** Society of Fire Protection Engineers

**Performance Period/Dates:** 5/10 - 11/30/00

**Project Objective/Description:**  
Determine knowledge base and needs of local building and fire officials related to performances-based codes; to provide a basic intro. to such codes and fire safety.

**Target Audience:** Building and Fire Officials.

**Additional References:** Kathleen H. Almand, P.E.

**Comments:**

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## *Promote fire safety education for children.*

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**Organizational Partner:**

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

Allstate Foundation, National Association of Elementary School Principals

**Target Audience:** Elementary school students.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## *Research and Testing of Firefighter Protective Clothing*

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**Performance Period/Dates:** 8/27/96 - 2/24/02

**Project Objective/Description:**

Primary goal to improve thermal protective performance of firefighter protective clothing and equipment in order to decrease morbidity and mortality. Involves development of new test methods to evaluate PPE under fireground conditions.

**Target Audience:** Firefighters

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## *Research on Psychological Injuries to Children*

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**Type of Instrument:** Grant  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Dr. Russell Jones, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

**Performance Period/Dates:** 8/30/00 - 8/29/01

**Project Objective/Description:**

Research into the characteristics, severity, and number of psychological injuries to children caused by residential fires.

**Target Audience:** Children under age 15 who have experienced a serious residential fire.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:** In place EME-2000GR-0382

# PARTNERSHIPS

## *Research on the Enhancement of the Performance of Personal Alert Safety Systems*

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**Type of Instrument:** Interagency Agreement  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Institute of Standards and Technology

**Performance Period/Dates:** 18 Months from Award Date - March 28, 2000 - September 28, 2001

### **Project Objective/Description:**

To conduct research on performance enhancement of PASS devices could enhance firefighter safety in operational situations. This effort could examine enhancements in elimination of false activations, accuracy, tie in with Global Positioning Systems (GPS), thermal exposure, exposure to liquids, ease of use, etc.

**Target Audience:** Emergency Response Personnel

**Additional References:** Organization POC: Dan Madrzykowski

**Comments:**

## *Review of Residential Automatic Sprinkler Technology*

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Institute of Standards and Technology

**Performance Period/Dates:** 1/4/00 - 1/4/01

### **Project Objective/Description:**

Residential automatic sprinkler systems are being introduced to communities and homes throughout the United States, mostly through new building codes and increased public awareness. This project will evaluate sprinkler activation, sprinkler effectiveness, and system components that affect sprinkler operation.

**Target Audience:** National Fire Codes, Underwriters Laboratories, CPSC, Factory Mutual Research Corp.

**Additional References:** Organization POC: Dan Madrzykowski

**Comments:**

## *Solutions*

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**Type of Instrument:** Grant  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** NFPA

**Performance Period/Dates:** 9/27/00 - 9/26/01

### **Project Objective/Description:**

A grant to help fund a "Solutions" symposium in 2001, for the coordinating a symposium in Washington, DC. This symposium will bring experts to conduct a targeted review of prevention and public edu. strategies for specific fire safety issues associated with the disabled and other high-risk groups.

**Target Audience:** Public Fire Educators

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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## Structural Collapse Prediction Tools Research Project

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Institute of Standards and Technology

**Performance Period/Dates:** 18 Months for Award Date - March 1, 2000 - August 31, 2001

**Project Objective/Description:**

To conduct research on structural collapse prediction tools in order to explore the possibility for the development of a system for use by firefighters to predict structural collapse during fire ground operations.

**Target Audience:** Emergency response personnel

**Additional References:** Organization POC: Dan Madrzykowski

**Comments:**

## Terrorism Training Grants

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** State Fire Training Systems

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

Grants monies to permit State fire training Systems to deliver USFA/NFA developed Terrorism courses.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## To improve and enhance the Effectiveness of the cooperation between USFA and NIST

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**Type of Instrument:** Memorandum of Understanding  
**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

**Performance Period/Dates:** 5/5/97 until either partner terminates with 60 days notice.

**Project Objective/Description:**

To enhance effectiveness of cooperation by consultation, exchanging information, transfer to technology, joint research, and support and/or technical assistance.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**



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## TRADE Grant Program

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** 50 state fire training systems and 150 metropolitan fire training agencies.

**Performance Period/Dates:** 7/12/00 - 7/11/01

### Project Objective/Description:

A total of 10 grants (one to each Region) to provide travel funds for regional TRADE meetings, reproduction support, computer networking, and other items related to the TRADE initiative.

**Target Audience:** Training personnel at state and local level; fire and emergency response personnel in general.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## TRADE Training Grant

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** 50 state fire training systems and 150 metropolitan fire training agencies.

**Performance Period/Dates:** From date of award for one year; pending

### Project Objective/Description:

Funding to expand format of regional TRADE meetings; to review and "crosswalk" NFA courses to relevant NFPA standards; and to convert visuals of 2-day NFA courses to PowerPoint CD's.

**Target Audience:** Fire and emergency response personnel at state and local level.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** 50 state fire training systems and 150 metropolitan fire training agencies.

**Performance Period/Dates:** 4/1/00 - 3/31/01

### Project Objective/Description:

Provide TRADE with resources to develop plans to support training operations, increase student participation, and develop a strategic plan.

**Target Audience:** Training personnel at state and local level; fire and emergency response personnel in general.

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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## Training Grants

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**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** State Fire Training Systems

**Performance Period/Dates:**

**Project Objective/Description:**

Grants to permit State training systems to deliver additional USFA/NFA resident/regional, and 2-day courses.

**Target Audience:**

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## UFSA/HASM Annual Cooperative Agreement

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** Mutual Association of State Fire Marshals

**Performance Period/Dates:** Annual

**Project Objective/Description:**

Mutual Fire Prevention

**Target Audience:** State Fire Marshals

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

## USFS/NWCG/Interagency Agreement

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**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive  
**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive  
**Organizational Partner:** National Wildfire Coordinating Group

**Performance Period/Dates:** Annual

**Project Objective/Description:**

Contributes to the Federal wildfire policy and related programs.

**Target Audience:** Federal and State Wildfire Policy Officials

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**

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## Vermont Hazardous Materials Training Facility

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**Type of Instrument:** Grant

**Status of Instrument, Status of Project:**  Active  Inactive

**Status of Partnership:**  Active  Inactive

**Organizational Partner:** State of Vermont, Fire Service Training Council

**Performance Period/Dates:** 3/2/95 - 9/30/00

**Project Objective/Description:**

Grant for Construction and Equipping of the Vermont Hazardous Materials Training Facility and Related administrative costs.

**Target Audience:** Fire Service in Vermont

**Additional References:**

**Comments:**