

## Fire Corps National Advisory Committee Members

Fire Corps is administered on a national level by the National Volunteer Fire Council. The Fire Corps National Advisory Committee (NAC) provides valuable input and feedback for the program and helps steer the program's strategic direction.

**Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI)**  
www.cfsi.org

**Fire Department Safety Officers Association (FDSOA)**  
www.fdsOA.org

**International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI)**  
www.firearson.com

**International Association of Black Professional Fire Fighters (IABPFF)**  
www.iabpff.org

**International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC)**  
www.iafc.org

**International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF)**  
www.iaff.org

**International Fire Service Training Association (IFSTA)**  
www.ifsta.org

**International Society of Fire Service Instructors (ISFSI)**  
www.isfsi.org

**National Association of Hispanic Firefighters (NAHF)**  
www.nahf.org

**National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM)**  
www.firemarshals.org

**National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)**  
www.nfpa.org

**National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC)**  
www.nvfc.org

**North American Fire Training Directors (NAFTD)**  
www.naftd.org

**Volunteers In Police Service (VIPS)**  
www.policevolunteers.org

**International Association of Women in Fire and Emergency Services (iWOMEN)**  
www.i-women.org



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## Citizens Helping Fire & EMS



[www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org)

## What is Fire Corps?

Fire Corps is the key component of Citizen Corps that supports and supplements resource-constrained fire and EMS departments through the use of volunteers for non-emergency activities. Fire Corps provides tools and resources to local fire and EMS departments nationwide to help them implement a volunteer program and promote it in their community. The National Volunteer Fire Council administers Fire Corps in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the U.S. Fire Administration, and an advisory committee made up of national fire service organizations.

## Focus on FIRE & EMS

Fire and EMS departments can engage citizens who are interested in assisting the department in a variety of non-operational activities. Departments can log onto [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org) and register their Fire Corps program to have it included in a national directory that is searchable by citizens.

Information on how to implement and maintain Fire Corps within your department can be found at [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org).

## Focus on CITIZENS

Citizens who aid departments in non-emergency activities allow first responders to focus their efforts on the most critical, life-threatening situations. Everyone can do something to support their local fire and emergency service department.

Here are some possible Fire Corps activities, suggested by America's own first responders:

- Promote fire safety and prevention in schools and homes
- Develop web sites or newsletters for the department
- Assist with reporting incidents and entering statistical data
- Help with grant writing and fundraising
- Assist with public relations
- Provide administrative and clerical support
- Provide canteen services at major incidents
- Assist with mitigation measures: wildland vegetation removal near structures, identifying hazards, etc.
- Assist departments with community programs such as roadside cleanup, food drives, and toy collections for families in need
- Assist in preparedness efforts, including planning for quick access to stocks of emergency supplies, shelter readiness, and procedure review

## Fire Corps:

### *Effect on Communities & Departments*

*"Fire Corps is helping communities nationwide to be safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to emergencies of all kinds."*

- Governor Tim Kaine (VA)

*"9/11 changed America. It made us aware that we are in a long struggle and we have enemies that want to come to our country to do terrible things. It sparked an already very vigorous volunteer spirit in America. Fire Corps is a natural outcome of this desire on the part of Americans to volunteer in order to keep us safe."*

- Senator John McCain (R-AZ)

*"I can't imagine any department not wanting to take advantage of Fire Corps. Departments receive benefits in so many different ways."*

- Dayna Hilton, Public Fire and Life Safety Educator, Johnson County RFD #1

*"As an active member of the Macomb Township (MI) Fire Corps, I know firsthand the diverse skill sets that volunteers bring to their Fire Corps team. I am continually impressed with Fire Corps participants' enthusiasm to contribute their talents to make their communities stronger."*

- Representative Kim Meltzer (R-MI)

## Fire Corps:

### *Part of a broader team*

Fire Corps is a proud partner of Citizen Corps, the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) nationwide grassroots strategy for comprehensive community preparedness. Local Citizen Corps Councils bring government and civic leaders together to collaborate on achieving community resilience through personal preparedness and increased participation in community safety and response programs. Elements of local strategies include outreach and education on personal preparedness; integration of nongovernmental assets and personnel in preparedness and response protocols; improved plans for emergency notifications, evacuation, and sheltering; and increased citizen participation in community safety through volunteerism.



# Register Your Fire Corps Program Now!

For more information or to register your Fire Corps program, please return the attached reply card, or visit us at [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org).



**Thank you for your interest in Fire Corps. For more information or to begin the free registration process for your fire or EMS department, please provide us with the following information:**

Department Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate the following (check all that apply):**

I would like to begin the registration process for my department.

I would like more information about Fire Corps.

**Please mail to Fire Corps or fax to (202) 887-5291.**

If you have any questions, please contact us at 1-888-FC-INFO1 (324-6361), via email at [info@firecorps.org](mailto:info@firecorps.org), or visit us online at [www.firecorps.org](http://www.firecorps.org).