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National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM) Launches Online Training to Prepare for Civil Unrest

Critical safety training for fire and emergency officials in dealing with incidents of civil unrest is now available.

Brusly, LA, March 9, 2023 — The National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM) has launched an awareness and prevention training course focused on helping fire prevention agencies to move from a paradigm of preventing accidental fires to one which includes the prevention of intentional fires in times of civil unrest.

The course offering was made possible through the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters grant program—grants aimed to support projects that enhance the safety of the public and firefighters from fire and related hazards. The primary goal of the funding is to reduce injury and prevent death among high-risk populations.

Increasing Safety

“In recent years, we’ve seen an increase in injuries and deaths of firefighters and others responding to public events that have turned violent,” said Phil Oakes, NASFM Chief of Operations and Training. “First responders, including firefighters, are trained to expect the unexpected when responding to emergency calls. This new online training gives them additional awareness and strategies to help them better protect themselves and others while dealing with incidents of civil unrest.”

NASFM partnered with AliveTek, Inc., to design and build this training. “Our new course, *Bridging the Gap: Preparing Your Jurisdiction for Civil Unrest* is next-level,” said AliveTek Chief Creative Officer Marc Hugentobler. “It reflects an extremely collaborative and interactive design by NASFM and our creative team. The scenarios within the course engage learners and give them a new perspective and the tools they need to plan for safer communities.”

Course Availability

This course is freely available at the NASFM eLearning portal at no charge to fire prevention agencies across the United States. For more information, visit: <https://nasfm-training.org>.

About NASFM

National Association of State Fire Marshals (NASFM) is a not-for-profit organization with a mission to protect human life, property, and the environment from fire and related hazards and to improve effectiveness of State Fire Marshals’ operations. NASFM has also developed and disseminated training to help keep emergency responders safe from fire and related hazards. Portions of our federal

resources and programs have been specifically targeted to improving the knowledge, understanding, and skill of NASFM members in carrying out their statutory duties.

About AliveTek, Inc.

AliveTek is a team of eLearning specialists dedicated to building and supporting online education to engage today's multi-dimensional learners. In addition, AliveTek has been providing industry leading online prevention education programs through its Prevent.Zone platform since 2014. Prevent.Zone is a suite of courses focused on current prevention topics including human trafficking, hazing, fire safety, alcohol, and sexual violence. Through personalized consulting and strategic planning, AliveTek will help you to design, build, and grow your eLearning program.

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