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Firefighter Life Safety, Initiatives Program – An Overview and Progress to Date

In March of 2004, over 200 representatives from more than 100 fire service organizations met in Tampa, Florida for a national Firefighter Life Safety Summit. The event was sponsored by the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation (NFFF) and the United States Fire Administration (USFA), and was convened to develop an action plan in support of the USFA's goal of reducing firefighter fatalities by 25% within five years and by 50% within 10 years. The final report by the summit participants identified and provided supporting information on sixteen (16) initiatives over six (6) national domains. Since that initial summit, there have been other "mini-summits" convened around the country, each focusing on a particular domain with the stated goal of reaching consensus on implementation strategies and programs. In this presentation, we will revisit the initial summit findings, and review the progress to date of this national effort.