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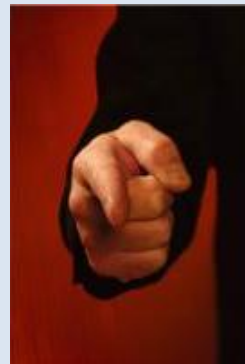
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## NFPA WANTS YOU! (to take the Membership Survey)

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We've all seen the NFPA email blast hit our inbox stating "you have until **NOVEMBER 12, 2012** to complete the NFPA Membership Survey." You probably scrolled over the email, and then dismissed the idea of taking a few moments out of your day to complete the survey. Just like me, you are probably too busy, with too many deadlines, and too many emails flooding your inbox.



But, have you ever stopped to wonder why NFPA wants you to take that Membership Survey? The Membership Survey is NFPA's way of making sure it is meeting its goals, evaluating the areas on which it needs improvement, and defining its goals and objectives to meet its mission. The Membership Survey results are tallied, and given to NFPA's Strategic Planning Committee who then summarizes the results of the survey, and presents the information to NFPA's Board. In addition, the Strategic Planning Committee uses the information garnered in the survey to assist the board with establishing and implementing its goals and objectives for the upcoming year.

But it's more than strategic planning and corporate governance. The Membership Survey is just that – it is a survey of our membership. It is our members' opportunity to speak to NFPA directly, to challenge the Board, and to identify the goals and objectives that our members see as important to the organization. The Membership Survey is another way for you to directly communicate with the leadership of NFPA and be heard. Your feedback is important because we are a member-driven organization, and we cannot move forward without input from our members. So take a moment to complete the survey and communicate your thoughts to NFPA. Your input is important to the organization, the Board, and the profession!

To take the survey now, click [HERE](#).



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### NOVEMBER 15, 2012

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### NOVEMBER 26, 2012

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*What Are You Thankful For This Year?*

## Congratulations to the new NFPA Board!



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