

**FINAL RECOMMENDATION**  
**Revised June 28, 2001**

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

**Statement of Issue #: 10-16 The current on- and off-campus student population may not reflect the geographic and demographic diversity of the United States fire service.**

**Recommendation #R-48**

- Summary: Transmit this request to the recommissioned America Burning committee.
- Recommendation: This recommendation is no longer applicable due to the completion of the America Burning Committee work and the release of their Report, "*America at Risk, Findings and Recommendations on the Role of the Fire Service in the prevention and control of Risks in America*", in December 2000. However, the USFA staff did ensure that information was provided to the America Burning Committee, which included the White Paper, the Blue Ribbon Panel Report and the Action Plan.
- Background: The White Paper, Blue Ribbon Panel and Action Plan requested that USFA improve services provided to the fire service community and get back to the basics in accordance with the Public Law of 1974.
- The USFA needs to better identify the composition of the fire service to ensure that the NFA student body is reflective of the national fire service. Currently, there is no definitive source of information on the demographic composition of the fire service. The National Fire Data Center's new fire department census project, (see R-40) should provide a framework from which a representative sample of fire departments may be taken to facilitate a detailed fire service demographic survey.
1. Priority: High
  2. Step(s) to Achieve: Steps were taken to ensure the recommissioned America Burning committee received a copy of each report before issuing the "America At Risk", report. (Report was released December 2000.)
  3. Estimated Time Frame: Ongoing

4. Estimated Cost: Minimal staff time
5. Outcome: Copies of the above stated reports were furnished to the recommissioned America Burning committee with the understanding that the USFA would perform a demographic survey to address the statement of issue.
- Conclusion: This will help clarify the perception issue for USFA activities. The Core Mission Team supports this recommendation.

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