

FIRE PREVENTION ASSOCIATION OF NORTH TEXAS

ANNUAL REPORT 2025



It has been a true honor to serve as President of the Fire Prevention Association of North Texas over the past two years. When I stepped into this role in 2024, FPANT was in a difficult place. Like many organizations, the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic had taken their toll. Membership had dwindled, engagement was limited, and the future of the association was uncertain.

What I have witnessed since then, especially throughout 2025, has been nothing short of amazing. Together, we have rebuilt and re-established FPANT as a strong, unified voice for fire prevention professionals across North Texas. What began as a small group committed to restoring the association has grown into a thriving network of more than 550 members, representing departments, businesses, and communities across the region.

But this year was about more than growth; it was about laying a foundation for the future. One of the most important steps we took was the creation and hiring of FPANT's first Executive Director. This decision positions the association for long-term sustainability, consistency, and continued growth, allowing us to better serve our members and expand our impact across North Texas.

In 2025, we also returned to the heart of what FPANT exists to do. Our monthly meetings became a consistent space for collaboration and shared learning. We brought together fire prevention and fire protection professionals across North Texas to discuss real challenges, share best practices, and work toward greater consistency in how fire codes are applied across our region.

We expanded our training offerings, providing meaningful training opportunities and continuing education that directly supports the work our members do every day. These efforts are helping strengthen not just individual departments, but the overall standard of fire prevention across North Texas.

Most importantly, we rebuilt a sense of community. FPANT is once again a place where relationships are formed, ideas are shared, and professionals across our industry come together with a common purpose: to protect lives and property through better fire prevention.

As I step out of this role, I do so with deep gratitude. To the board members, volunteers, and members who chose to invest their time, energy, and belief into rebuilding this organization—thank you. Your commitment is what made this season of growth and renewal possible.

FPANT is stronger today than it has been in years, and I am very excited for what lies ahead.

It has been an honor to serve you.

Meredith Crociata

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F.P.A.N.T. President 2024-2025



This past year has been a turning point for FPANT.

For a long time, this organization has meant something to people across North Texas. Over the last couple of years, we've seen that come back in a meaningful way. Not just in numbers, but in the level of engagement, the conversations happening in the room, and the willingness of people to show up and be part of something again.

Stepping into the role of Executive Director in the middle of that has been both humbling and exciting. I've been around FPANT for a long time. I've served as Vice President, President, and as a Board Member for more than seven years. I've seen different seasons, both strong and challenging. What we're experiencing right now feels different. There is a renewed sense of ownership, and that is what gives me confidence about where we are headed.

This past year, we've talked a lot about getting "back to basics." That goes beyond training topics. It means refocusing on who we are as an organization and allowing our mission, vision, and values to guide our decisions. Those values show up in the work we do every day:

- **Education** – A commitment to continuous learning and professional growth that strengthens fire prevention efforts across our region.
- **Enforcement** – Advocating for the consistent application of codes and standards to ensure safety and accountability.
- **Codes** – Supporting the adoption and implementation of evidence-based fire codes that protect lives and property.
- **Public Relations** – Building trust and fostering collaboration between fire prevention professionals and the communities we serve.

At the core of it all is our mission: to empower fire prevention professionals through education, resources, and support; to promote a unified approach to fire codes and standards; and to build meaningful relationships that advance fire safety in our communities.

There is a lot ahead. Expanded training opportunities, stronger partnerships, and the early stages of bringing back a regional conference that serves this entire community.

But none of it works without the people who choose to be part of it.

To our members, board, speakers, partners, and sponsors—thank you for leaning in and helping rebuild something that matters.

I'm looking forward to where we go from here.

David M. Jackett
David Jackett, Executive Director





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MEMBERS



90
DEPARTMENTS

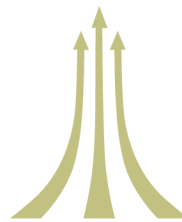


21
COUNTIES



36
BUSINESSES

447 → 554
+107 MEMEBERS ADDED IN 2025



+24%
MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

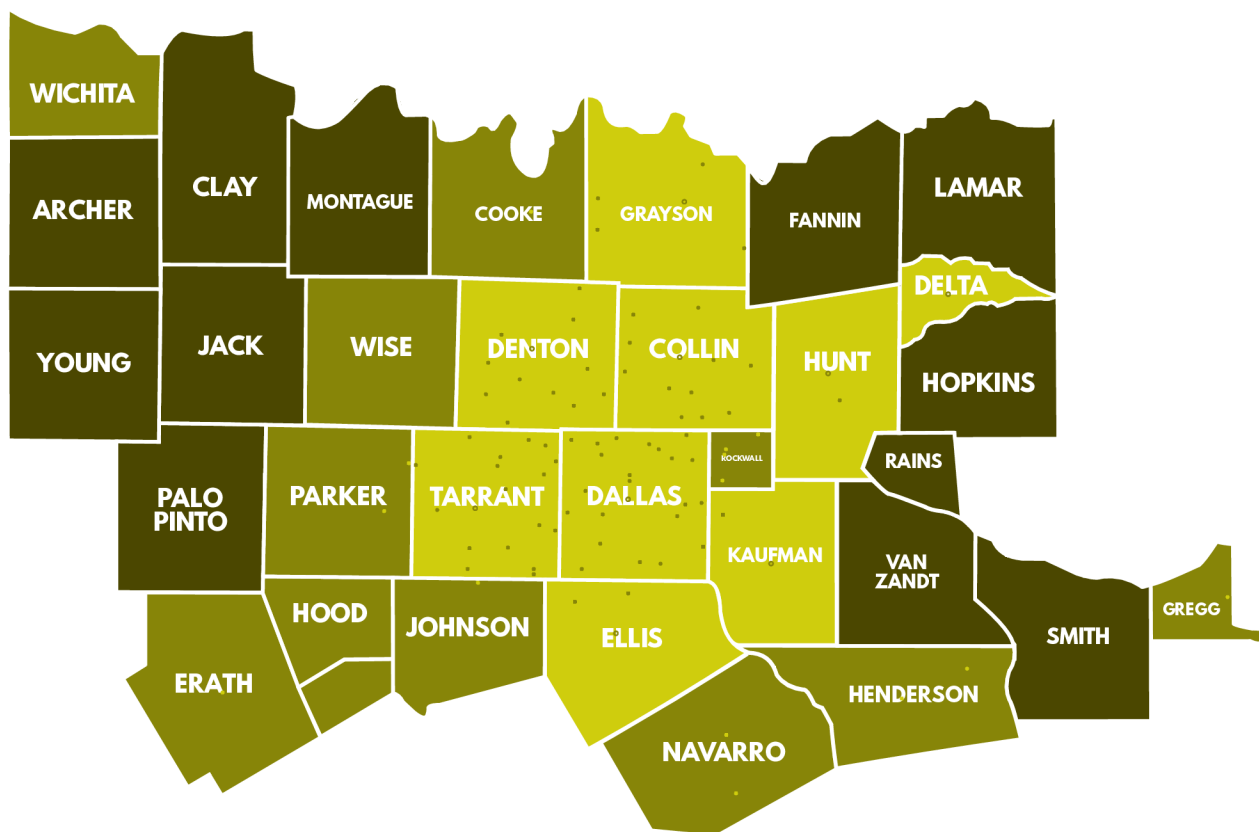
36 CE HOURS PROVIDED
 **+38%** |  **12** TRAINING EVENTS

HIGH-IMPACT TRAINING ON REAL-WORLD FIRE PREVENTION CHALLENGES

+312% GROWTH IN SPONSOR & DONOR INVESTMENT

ONLINE, DIGITAL, AND SOCIAL MEDIA GROWTH & REACH

 **+205%**  **+297%**  **+227%**



counties with FPANT members
 counties with FPANT members in addition to county Fire Marshal's Office

WHAT THIS REACH MEANS

- Collaboration across 90+ fire departments and jurisdictions
- Shared training and best practices across 21 counties
- Strong partnerships between public agencies and private industry
- A unified voice advancing fire prevention across North Texas

“With the region rapidly growing, the demand on fire marshals to stay current—if not extraordinary—has never been higher.

The Fire Prevention Association of North Texas has answered that call by delivering relevant education and a strong network of resources across both the public and private sectors. FPANT is actively contributing to the competency of our industry.”

Galen Davis, Fire Marshal,
Anna Fire Department

36 CE HOURS PROVIDED ACROSS 12 TRAINING EVENTS COVERING CRITICAL FIRE PREVENTION TRENDS & TOPICS

CODES & STANDARDS

- IFC 2024 Updates
- NFPA 13R/13D Freeze Protection
- NFA Residential Sprinkler Plans Review

EMERGING RISKS & CONSTRUCTION SAFETY

- Fires in Buildings Under Construction
- Ignition Prevention Tools (Live Burn Demonstration)

SPECIALIZED & PUBLIC SAFETY TOPICS

- Fireworks, Pyrotechnics & Drones
- Fire Prevention Week Resources & Community Engagement

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Communication, Conflict Resolution & Real-World Case Studies
- Member-led Discussions and Networking

“FPANT has helped me grow tremendously in my early career. The knowledge, support, and real-world insight have given me confidence and a strong professional network moving forward.”

Ke’Andre Belcher, Fire Services Specialist
Forest Hill Fire Department

Instruction and Presentations From:





FIRE PREVENTION IN ACTION: FPANT FEATURED ON CBS 11

FPANT partnered with CBS 11's Investigative Team to highlight the growing risks associated with lithium-ion batteries, both in everyday household items and electric vehicles.

Through live demonstrations and real-world scenarios, these segments helped educate the public while showcasing modern firefighting techniques and prevention strategies.

SCAN TO WATCH



FEATURE STORY



CBS 11 Team, Euless Fire Dept. Tarrant County College Fire, & FPANT Members



Home walkthrough w/ CBS 11 & FPANT

In 2025, FPANT strengthened its leadership structure by introducing new roles designed to support growth, improve governance, and better serve members across North Texas.

Executive Director

FPANT established its first Executive Director position to provide consistent leadership, oversee operations, and support continued growth in training, partnerships, and member engagement.

David Jackett was selected to serve as FPANT's first Executive Director, bringing nearly two decades of nonprofit leadership experience, along with extensive experience within the fire service, and a long-standing history with FPANT.

He previously served as Vice President, President, and Board Member, and was recognized by the membership as an Honorary Lifetime Member in 2013.

Strengthening Governance

Sergeant at Arms

Supports meeting structure, organization, and member engagement, helping ensure meetings are organized, efficient, and professional.

Parliamentarian

Provides guidance on governance and procedure, ensuring FPANT operates in alignment with its constitution and bylaws.

Why This Matters

- Expands capacity to serve a growing membership
- Strengthens organizational structure and accountability
- Supports consistent, high-quality programming
- Positions FPANT for long-term sustainability and growth

FPANT's continued growth and impact are made possible through the support of our partners and sponsors. From training and education to monthly meetings and special initiatives, these organizations help equip fire prevention professionals across North Texas.



PREMIER-LEVEL PARTNER

Zion Fire Protection's leadership-level support has played a critical role in expanding FPANT's training programs and making high-quality education accessible to our members.

EDUCATION PARTNER



Through our partnership with TEEX, FPANT is able to provide continuing education credits for our members, ensuring high-quality training is recognized and professionally accredited.

PROGRAM SPONSORS

Supporting FPANT's monthly meetings and training programs



COMMUNITY & IN-KIND SUPPORT

We are grateful for the support of organizations who contributed resources, products, and services that enhanced the experience for our members.



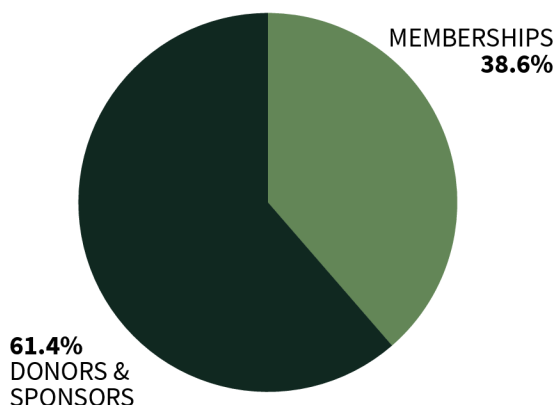
HOSTING PARTNERS

FPANT's meetings and training events are made possible through the generosity of our host organizations, who provide space and support for our growing membership.

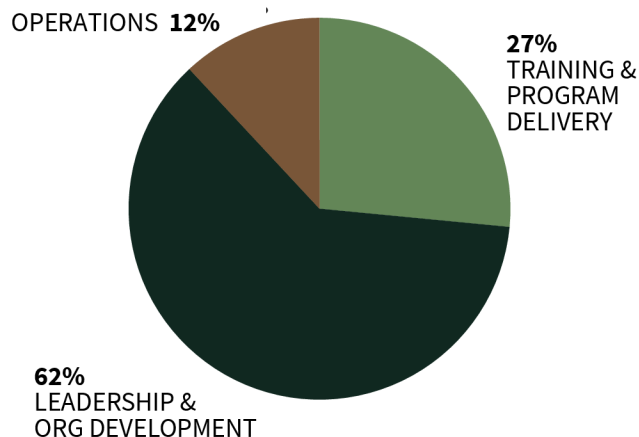


FPANT remains committed to financial transparency, responsible stewardship, and strategic investment in programs that serve our members and communities.

REVENUE SOURCES **\$50,479.19**



HOW WE INVESTED **\$45,896.66**



312% DONOR GROWTH

\$4,582 NET POSITIVE

Investments in leadership and organizational development in 2025 supported FPANT's long-term growth, expanded partnerships, and the establishment of its first Executive Director role.

A significant portion of expenses are directly invested in training and program delivery, including meals and materials that support full-day educational events.

CANDID PLATINUM SEAL OF TRANSPARENCY



In 2025, FPANT earned Candid's Platinum Seal of Transparency, the highest level of recognition for nonprofit accountability and openness.

Fewer than 1% of nonprofit organizations nationwide achieve this distinction, demonstrating a commitment to sharing clear, comprehensive information about our mission, impact, and financial stewardship.

FPANT remains committed to sustainable growth while maximizing the value delivered to members through high-quality training, resources, and strategic partnerships.

“FPANT has been an invaluable resource for the Irving Fire Marshal’s Office—providing timely insights, professional development opportunities, and a strong network of peers across all levels.

Through monthly training and collaboration, our team stays connected, informed, and better equipped to serve our community.”

Haley Harsha, Fire Marshal
Irving Fire Department

“FPANT has been exponentially beneficial for our office. As our city continues to grow, the training and networking help ensure fire protection remains a priority for our community.

We are grateful to be part of such an impactful organization.”

Mike Rockne, Captain
Celina Fire Department

“As a newer fire inspector, FPANT has been a game-changer. I’ve expanded my knowledge by learning from real-world experiences and connecting with professionals across North Texas.

It’s been invaluable to be part of a community that’s just as passionate about fire prevention as I am.”

Avery Makowski, Fire Inspector
Euless Fire Department

FPANT is **more than an association**, it’s a network of professionals committed to advancing fire prevention and life safety across North Texas.



FROM OUR MEMBERS



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