

PROJECT NAME: UPPER DUBLIN STRATEGIC FIRE PLAN

PROJECT OWNER:	PROJECT LOCATION:
Upper Dublin Township	Upper Dublin Township, Pennsylvania

Project Description:

Our team met with the Fort Washington Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 where we performed a full day Strength, Weakness, Opportunity, Threats, SWOT analysis to establish a base line of their services. Additionally we assessed the Company's performance, equipment, training, etc. against National Fire Protection Association, NFPA Standards and against similar organizations, both career and volunteer.



Our analysis was written into a comprehensive report that presented our observations and findings. This report was then used as the basis of the strategic plan development. The report identified a series of improvement opportunities and then prioritized them according to need and according to the availability of resources. The process required public and private meetings to exchange information and opinions and to bring the disparate groups to a consensus so that the plan could be adopted and implemented.

Our team exhibited patience, persistence, and skill in managing a process where stakeholders held deep rooted beliefs that influenced the ability to protect the citizens of Upper Dublin from fire. We listened to and organized the stakeholders ideas and opinions and then guided a process of compromise and education that eventually produce a strategic plan that was endorsed by most if not all of the stakeholders. The strategy identified goals for improvement and laid out a feasible implementation plan considering the personnel and financial resources of the community.

Team Members and Project Role

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