







# ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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# MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

As the world's leading professional society for fire protection and fire safety engineering, SFPE is pleased to report on its growth and progress during the calendar year January 1 through December 31, 2022. While SFPE is delayed in publishing this report due to the timing of our audit completion, I invite you to join me in celebrating many of the Society's accomplishments from 2022, as well as some great initiatives that took place this year and are planned for future years. Our vibrant community truly is engineering a fire-safe world.



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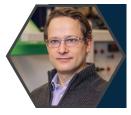
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#### COMMUNITY

SFPE's community was at its strongest at the end of 2022. Crossing the 5,000-member threshold for the first time in December 2022 was worthy of celebration! Plus. student members and the number of SFPE chapters also grew – ending 2022 at 887 students and 122 chapters. The Society dedicated resources to continuing its SFPE CONNECT virtual global community and developing programming to ensure that SFPE continued to meet the needs of students, emerging professionals, and women in fire protection engineering. And – more good news – approaching the end of 2023, membership continued to grow to more than 5,300 individuals!





#### SFPE EUROPE

Leveraging the knowledge built on decades of effort, SFPE Europe officially launched as a regional group in 2020 to align and amplify the Society's 24 European chapters around scientific advancement, education, and meeting the needs of fire safety engineers throughout Europe. With the support of thousands of SFPE's European members and engineers, we continue to advance the profession to engineer a fire-safe world. Learn more about SFPE Europe at <a href="https://www.sfpe.org/Europe">www.sfpe.org/Europe</a>.



#### SFPE FOUNDATION

Established in 1979 and relying on the support of external grants and individual, corporate, and SFPE chapter donations, the SFPE Foundation funds professional awards, student scholarships, and research grants; leads cross-sectoral research collaborations; conducts research workshops and meetings; develops new initiatives to support the next generation of fire protection engineers; and disseminates knowledge to advance the field of fire engineering and fire safety science globally. Learn about specific efforts at www.sfpe.org/Foundation.







#### **EDUCATION AND EVENTS**

SFPE found success early in 2022 with a virtual edition of the popular SFPE Performance-based Design Methods & Designs Conference & Expo. Due to the international audience, the virtual format increased attendance by an average of 15% compared to previous conferences after 2014.

The 2022 Annual Conference & Expo, held in Detroit, MI, USA, broke the all-time annual conference attendance count with 438 attendees. With multiple in-person seminars offered, record attendance, and the highest number of exhibitors to-date, SFPE is confident future annual conferences will continue to break records (and, if you were one of the 519 attendees or 66 exhibiting companies who joined SFPE in Washington D.C. at the 2023 event, of course you already know this!) Next up: plan to attend, speak, exhibit, and/or sponsor at the 2024 Annual Conference & Expo, October 6-8, 2024, in Louisville, KY, USA.





In 2022, SFPE webinars regularly averaged hundreds of attendees; and additional courses were available on-demand. The highly anticipated SFPE Engineering Solutions Symposium on Storage Challenges in Fire Protection convened engineers in Chicago in September 2022, kicking off SFPE's highly successful symposia series leading into 2023, 2024, and beyond.







#### **PUBLICATIONS**

In 2022, SFPE had the highest number of publication titles to date. New releases include five guides and two handbooks – the highly anticipated Fire Safety for Very Tall Buildings, 2nd edition, in partnership with ICC, is the basis for new educational content produced through SFPE. The drastic increase of published guides was all possible due to the creation of the SFPE Series which allows engineers and authors the ability to partner directly with SFPE to produce guides and handbooks. These guides and handbooks are distributed globally in hardcover and digital formats through Springer Publishing. Stay tuned for the popular SFPE Handbook of Fire Protection Engineering, sixth edition, coming soon!

With much excitement and a growing readership, SFPE continues to publish its Fire Protection Engineering magazine quarterly, Fire Technology journal (jointly with NFPA) bi-monthly, and SFPE eXTRA monthly.







## **FINANCIALS**

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Assets Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable Contributions receivable Inventory	\$	190,719 187,407 -
Investments Prepaid expenses Due from the Foundation		2,409,151 151,497 29,244 2,968,018
Other assets Property and equipment, net Deposits Operating lease right-of-use asset Finance lease right-of-use asset Cash surrender value of life insurance		66,607 21,320 382,350 12,297 - 415,967
Total assets	\$	3,450,592
Liabilities and net assets Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued expenses Deferred revenue Operating lease liability, current portion Finance lease liability, current portion Due to the Society	\$	242,703 546,966 138,112 1,415 - 929,196
No current liabilities Operating lease liability, net of current portion Finance lease liability, net of current portion Total liabilities		346,737 13,637 1,289,570
Net assets Without donor restrictions With donor restrictions Total net assets Total liabilities and net assets	<u> </u>	2,161,022 - 2,161,022 3,450,592





## **FINANCIALS**

	SFPE	
Revenue and support		
Membership dues	\$	894,132
Continuing education and conferences		1,199,297
Royalties		230,806
Publications		107,433
Contributions and sponsorships		-
Grants		135,855
Payroll Protection Program (PPP) loan forgiveness		168,658
Investment loss, net		(513,949)
Other revenue		8,124
Total support and revenue		2,230,356
Evnances		
Expenses Program services		
Membership		401,785
Education		736,282
Advocacy		72,256
Technical		363,756
MARCOM		263,312
Research		239,927
Research		2,077,318
Supporting services		2,077,310
Governance		133,814
Management and general		911,677
		3,122,809
Change in net assets		(892,453)
Net assets, beginning of year		3,053,475
Net assets, end of year	\$	2,161,022
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