

SFPE Foundation 2022-2025 Strategic Plan

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Mission:

To enhance the scientific understanding of fire and its interaction with the social, natural, and built environments.

Vision:

Engineering a resilient, sustainable, fire-safe world for all.

Our Value Proposition:

The SFPE Foundation, an affiliate of the Society of Fire Protection Engineers, partners with a wide range of global stakeholders to create, develop, promote, facilitate, disseminate, and support innovative research, education, and applied engineering methods that advance the science and practice of fire engineering where it's needed most.

Goals & Initiatives:

Goal 1 – Sustainable Resources

Initiatives:

- 1. Establish sustainable funding sources to support research
- 2. Develop and expand planned giving and major gifts programs
- 3. Expand corporate engagement strategy; individual and chapter giving programs
- 4. Cultivate external grants and partnerships

Goal 2 – Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Access

Initiatives:

- 1. Engage students, academics, and practitioners in research, education, and outreach; support practitioners
- 2. Support research and educational efforts to continue to make the field more inclusive
- 3. Ensure application and funding processes are equitable and inclusive, and that programs adopt an equity lens to encourage diverse group representation and participation
- 4. Seek diversity and representation in leadership roles



Goal 3 – Innovation for Impact

Initiatives:

- 1. Support innovative research, educational, and applied projects that address critical needs
- 2. Bring fire engineering expertise, research, and knowledge to an external audience
- 3. Convene stakeholders for impact, building our reputation as a partner for impact
- 4. Coordinate with other disciplines and technical fields to support mutual advancement

Goal 4 – Global Reach

Initiatives:

- 1. Enable global participation in our programs, initiatives, awards, and research grants
- 2. Explore and develop new ways to communicate with a global audience
- 3. Ensure our research agenda addresses global fire safety problems
- 4. Expand and connect the global fire engineering research community