



# Near-Miss Matters

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The 5,000th report was recently posted on Firefighternearmiss.com. Thanks to everyone who has recently submitted a report. Your report has helped the program reach an important milestone.

Firefighter/EMT Fitness is this month's training topic and training tools are posted on the Resources page to help reinforce the importance of fitness in your day-to-day operations. It is also a good time to review NFPA 1582: Standard on Comprehensive Occupational Medical Program for Fire Departments and NFPA 1583: Standard on Health-Related Fitness Programs for Fire Department Members.

The 2012 Annual Safety Forum of the Fire Department Safety Officers Association takes place September 22-28 in Orlando, FL. If you are attending, be sure to attend near-miss trainers Rob Clemons and Steve Mormino's presentation. For more information on this outstanding conference, visit [FDSOA's website](#).

As we reflect next week on the 11th anniversary of September 11th, we honor and remember all of the first responders in New York City, Arlington and Shanksville. America will never forget the sacrifices of that day and the continuing struggle for many first responders. Please take 8 minutes to view this [video](#) dedicated to FDNY firefighters who have lost their lives due to September 11th-related causes from the rescue and recovery efforts at the World Trade Center. Special thanks to Jacob Suslowitz of Eastern Kentucky University for creating this video.

Until next month, stay safe.

## What's New

→ The live ["After Action"](#) podcast taped at Fire-Rescue International is now posted in the Media Center. Host Mike Brooks discussed "What has contributed to the decline in firefighter fatalities since 2008?" with Chiefs Steve Pegram, John Tippett and Matt Tobia.

## ROTW

[ROTW 080912](#): "Don't 'Strut' Your Stuff at Vehicle Fires." (11-045)

[ROTW 081612](#): "Preplan Prayer Places." (05-553)

[ROTW 082312](#): "Airbag Alert." (10-1023)

[ROTW REWIND 083012](#): "What's in your pockets?" (07-1166)

## Resources

[September Calendar Module](#)

[September Grouped Reports](#)

[August After Action Podcast](#)

## Upcoming Events

[FDSOA Annual Safety Forum](#)

September 22-28, 2012:  
Orlando, FL

## Near-Miss Fundamentals:

Have you "liked us" on Facebook yet? Be sure to visit the [Near-Miss Program's Facebook](#) page. It's a great way to stay up-to-date on the Near-Miss Program and connect with other firefighters/EMTs across the country.

## Testimonial

*"We use near-miss reports in all training that we develop. We use them as operating experiences to discuss what can go wrong in the situation that is being covered and how that can be prevented. The more we learn from each other the safer we will be in the long term. Near-miss reports and ROTW are great training tools!"*

-Rob Archibold, Hiawatha Fire Department (IA)



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