



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **(Hillsboro Resident Injured in Late Night Fire)**

Fire caused minor damage to a Hillsboro home late Sunday night, sending one resident to the hospital. The blaze was reported to Washington County 9-1-1 dispatchers at 10:47 pm. When Hillsboro firefighters from Station #2 arrived at 3959 NE Brogden Street they found three members of the family safely outside. Upon entering the house the crew located a rear bedroom partially filled with smoke and a smoldering fire in the corner of the room. They also found an adult female conscious in the bedroom. After removing her from the house and placing her in the care of a Metro West Ambulance crew, which had arrived behind the engine company, the Firefighters returned to the room and quickly extinguished the fire. The female resident was transported to a local hospital by Metro West Ambulance. Federal privacy laws protect the patient's identity and extent of injuries.

Four of the six family members who reside in the home were at home when the fire broke out. After an unsuccessful attempt by one of them to extinguish the flames with a garden hose he called 9-1-1 and alerted the others of the need to evacuate the home.

Fire and smoke damage was confined to the room of origin. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation and there is no damage estimate at this time. A total of 22 firefighters from Hillsboro Fire and Rescue responded to the fire.

Hillsboro Fire and Rescue reminds residents to always call 9-1-1 immediately after discovering a fire. And to develop and practice a home fire escape plan that includes a family meeting place a safe distance from your home in an area where Firefighters can find you upon their arrival.

For more fire and life safety information, visit: [www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/fire](http://www.ci.hillsboro.or.us/fire) or call 503-681-6166.