



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Warren Fire Department Responds to Single-Family Residential Fire**

The Warren Fire Department would like to provide an update on a residential house fire occurring this morning in the 25000 block of Hayes.

Fire crews were dispatched at approximately 10:32 AM Friday, July 19, and the first units arrived on the scene about 10:40 AM. Upon arrival, fire crews observed light smoke exiting the house through the eaves in the attic. A passerby, who noticed the smoke while driving by, evacuated the elderly resident and reported the fire to 911.

Fire crews promptly rescued three cats from the home, who were then turned over to the care of family members who arrived on the scene. The elderly resident was transported to a local hospital as a precautionary measure due to an unrelated prior medical condition.

The fire was quickly knocked down at around 10:43 AM and brought under full control by about 10:48 AM. According to fire crews, the fire appeared to have started in a bathroom ventilation fan and spread to the attic, necessitating entry into the attic to completely extinguish the fire. Crews remained on the scene for nearly two hours, fortunately, there were no injuries to any personnel.

Fire investigators were called to the scene to determine the origin and cause of the fire. Preliminary reports suggest that the fire started in the bathroom and spread to the attic. While the incident remains under investigation, initial findings indicate the fire was not suspicious in nature. Further investigation is needed to confirm the preliminary determination.

A board-up company has been contacted to secure the home and its contents from further damage and trespass.

**For further information, please contact Warren Fire Commissioner  
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