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Fire leads to death investigation

Salem, Ore. — On Friday, November 19, 2021, at approximately 7:55 a.m., a fire was reported in the 1100 block of 8th ST NW. Witnesses reported smoke coming from a single-story home. The Salem Fire Department response was led by a battalion chief with four fire engines, one ladder truck, and a medic unit. Salem Police officers assisted with traffic control.

A small fire discovered inside the home was contained and extinguished quickly. During the subsequent fire investigation two persons were located inside the home and pronounced deceased at the scene. Three dogs were also found, one inside and two outside the home. The dog inside perished, and the two that survived and are being cared for by neighbors.

No additional information will be released at this time as both the Salem Police and Fire Departments are investigating the incident.

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