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ONE FATALITY IN TREMONT STREET OVERNIGHT RESIDENTIAL FIRE

Monroe, Michigan – Tuesday, December 24th, at 8:53 AM, the City of Monroe Fire Department was dispatched to a reported residential structure fire at 144 Tremont Street. En route to the scene, it was relayed that there was a non-ambulatory resident inside the building.

Upon arrival at 8:57 AM, smoke was visible from the two-story, two family residence. Firefighters encountered heavy heat, smoke, and fire at the point of entry and extinguished the blaze.

Crews encountered a female victim inside the living room of the home. The victim was deceased. A search of the remainder of the house confirmed there was no one else inside. Fire damage was contained to one unit on the structure, with smoke damage throughout much of the second unit. The property did not have working smoke alarms at the time of the fire.

Automatic aid was provided by Frenchtown Fire Department, with Monroe County Ambulance on standby at the scene. The Monroe Fire Department, with the assistance of the Michigan State Police, are investigating the cause of the fire. Identification of the victim is not being released at this time. The Wayne County coroner will determine the cause of death.

The Red Cross has been contacted, with one family displaced from the fire.

"The mission of the Monroe Fire Department is to protect life and property while minimizing suffering and damage due to fire, medical and environmental emergencies. We are dedicated to protecting the lives and property of the citizens of the City of Monroe through public education, code enforcement and incident management."