



Fridley Public Safety

Subject: Structure Fire at the 5700 Block of East River Road

On Monday, December 8, at approximately 5 a.m., Fridley Public Safety responded to a report of a structure fire at a care facility at the 5700 block of East River Road. Upon arrival, officers located a large amount of smoke in one of the residents' rooms. A partial evacuation was conducted to ensure the safety of the residents as the investigation continued.

Through the course of the investigation, officers discovered that one of the residents was suspected of starting a fire, and his current whereabouts were unknown. Officers set a perimeter with the assistance of Columbia Heights, Coon Rapids, Spring Lake Park and Blaine police departments and Anoka County Sheriff's Office. The male suspect was located nearby and taken into custody with pending charges.

One other resident was taken to Hennepin County Medical Center for non-life-threatening injuries.

This incident is currently being investigated by Anoka County Fire Investigation Team, the State Fire Marshal, Anoka County Sheriff's Office and Fridley Police Division.

This is an ongoing investigation, and no further information will be released at this time. If you have any information, please submit a tip at FridleyMN.gov/Tip411 or contact Anoka County Dispatch at 763-427-1212 and reference Case Number #25272374.

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