Joint Investigation of Fire Fatality by
Bexar County Fire Marshal and Sheriff’s Office

On February 12, 2023, at approximately 9:18 a.m. Bexar County received a 9-1-1 call about a structure fire in the 17900 block of Shepherd Road. Units from Lytle Fire Department, Bexar County Emergency Services District 5 and Bexar County Emergency Services District 2 responded to the scene and found a trailer home engulfed in heavy fire. Firefighters learned that someone was reportedly trapped inside the burning structure. Rescue attempts while the fire was being fought had to be delayed due to the intensity of the fire, which led to one firefighter’s injury. He was treated at the scene.

Once it was possible to do so, firefighters entered the residence for a primary search and found the deceased individual inside. Two residents were transported with severe burn injuries and are being treated at a local hospital. A Bexar County Sheriff’s Deputy also suffered burn injuries and two other deputies were treated for smoke inhalation, all as a result of their rescue attempts. They were transported from the scene for treatment.

Investigators with the Bexar County Fire Marshal’s Office and the Bexar County Sheriff’s Office responded to conduct a joint investigation of the incident.

The responding fire departments deployed a combined 29 personnel, 2 fire engines, and a ladder truck to the fire. Acadian Ambulance responded to the scene as well to care for the injured.

The investigation is ongoing.

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