

MEDIA RELEASE

House Fire in Bethany Leads to Death Investigation

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On Thursday, March 14, 2019, shortly after 6:00 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a house fire after firefighters from [Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue](#) discovered a man's body inside.

The house is located on NW Meadowgrass Drive, near NW 174th Avenue in the Bethany area of unincorporated Washington County.

While sheriff's office detectives and a member of the [Washington County Medical Examiner Program](#) are investigating the death, it does not appear to be suspicious in nature.

Preliminary results indicate the 64-year-old man died of accidental causes, possibly involving a cigarette.



An autopsy is scheduled for Friday to determine the exact cause of death.

The man's identity will be released once family notification has been completed.



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