

News Release

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STRUCTURE FIRE –100 Block of Brookwood Ct. Vernon Hills, Illinois FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE - The Countryside Fire Protection District was notified of smoke coming from a second floor balcony on a four unit townhome at 5:10 a.m. Crews arrived within ten minutes and found active fire in one of the units. The alarm was upgraded for additional manpower and equipment. Occupant in the fire unit was transported to Advocate Condell Hospital with minor injuries. Fire was contained to the unit of origin and under control in approximately 30 minutes. The unit of origin is uninhabitable until repairs are completed. The remaining units suffered some water and smoke damage in areas near the fire and occupants were allowed to return after the Building Department completed their inspection. The fire originated in a bed in the 2nd floor bedroom. The ignition source was unintentional involving the use of smoking materials. Damage to the unit and contents is approximately \$80,000. The Countryside Fire Protection District was assisted by the Libertyville, Mundelein, Lincolnshire–Riverwoods, and Knollwood Fire Departments, and the Vernon Hills Police and Building Department. Through MABAS other Departments covered both stations during the incident.

Safety Message: Properly extinguish smoking materials inside your home.

