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North Metro Fire Responds to Early Morning House Fire in Broomfield Cause of fire ruled accidental

Broomfield, CO—North Metro Fire Rescue District responded to a house fire located at the 1000 block of Kohl Street in Broomfield early Friday morning.

Two residents and their dog were in the house when the fire erupted in the basement. Smoke detectors alerted the residents of the fire, and they were able to safely evacuate with their dog uninjured. A nearby neighbor called 911 at 2:45 a.m., and North Metro Fire crews arrived on scene within four minutes of being dispatched.

Crews were able to quickly extinguish the fire and contain it to the basement. However, there was extensive damage to the basement, and the family will be displaced for several days while repairs are made. The cause of the fire has been ruled accidental and most likely was caused by the improper disposal of smoking materials.

North Metro Fire wants to remind residents about the importance of having working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms installed in their homes. In this case, the District believes the smoke alarms played a key role in alerting the residents and saving their lives.

This incident also serves as a reminder for residents to ensure all smoking materials, whether cigarettes, cigars or outdoor fire pits, are thoroughly doused with water and no embers are present before discarding the materials or leaving the area.

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North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue District is dedicated to providing quality service to its residents through fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and specialized rescue. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 111,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams, Weld and Jefferson Counties.