



Calgary Fire Department After the Emergency

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Dear Dalhousie resident,

The Calgary Fire Department recently responded to a house fire in your community in which a fire started in the basement suite of a house on Dalton Drive. This fire tragically resulted in the death of one man and also took the lives of four cats. The cause of the fire is still under investigation however it appears to be accidental and unintentional in nature.

As a part of CFD's **After the Emergency** program, we are taking this opportunity to share with you, the importance of fire safety practices in and around your home.

Some key fire safety tips include:

- Have working smoke and carbon monoxide alarms on every level of your home
- For maximum protection, install smoke alarms in all bedrooms
- Test your alarms monthly and replace the batteries at least once a year
- Replace smoke alarms after 10 years
- Sleep with your bedroom doors closed. They are the first line of defence between you and the smoke and flames. Have two ways out of every sleeping area
- Discard smoking materials properly and never put butts in planter pots, any type of soil or vegetation
- Never leave the kitchen while cooking
- Never leave burning candles unattended, or fall asleep with them lit
- Eliminate any hazards around your home, including overloaded electrical outlets
- If there is a fire, call 9-1-1 from a safe place immediately
- Be sure to talk to your kids about fire safety and fire prevention

The Calgary Fire Department also encourages you to sit down with your entire family to develop a home escape plan. Plan two escape routes for each room.

Please visit www.calgary.ca/fire for more information about home fire safety. For further questions, please call 3-1-1.

Your Calgary Fire Department