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Seguin Fire Department investigates first fire fatality since 2012

SEGUIN, Texas – Firefighters responded to a 911 call about a possible house fire around 5:35 A.M. on Friday. They arrived minutes later and discovered an active fire scene with flames and smoke showing.

Firefighters made contact with an older couple who lived at the residence. They told firefighters that another adult male was in the home and they believed he was still inside. Fire crews discovered a man in his late 30s-early 40s deceased at the back of the home.

This was the first fire-related death in the City of Seguin since 2012. Investigators with the city, county and state fire marshal's office are working diligently at the scene collecting evidence to determine the cause of the fire.

They are sifting through the charred debris which will take many hours with a fire of this magnitude. The state fire marshal's office combed the scene with their K-9 trained to alert at the presence of accelerants. The investigator will send samples of debris to a lab that will test for any substances that could have started the fire.

Two vehicles parked near the home were destroyed along with a significant portion of the home. Damages are estimated around \$70,000.00.

The name of the victim and any relationship with the survivors will be released once identity has been confirmed through further investigation.

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