## UPDATED APD

## **Alexandria Police Department**

Law Enforcement Center Alexandria, MN 56308

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Date Reported: 2-14-2024 Incident: Structure Fire

Location: 1000 blk Jefferson St, Alexandria, MN 56308

\*\*\*\*UPDATE 2-16-2024 \*\*\*\*

**Details:** We received the preliminary results from Midwest Medical Examiner's Office on the identification of the deceased person. The person who died in the fire has been identified as Chance GiGuere, 20 years old. He was living with family at the home where the fire occurred. We are still waiting for the preliminary results of the fire investigation as it is still ongoing. We can say that the fire started on the main floor of the house and the deceased was found upstairs. There were three adults who were transported to another hospital facility that specialize in burns and smoke inhalation. At this time, we do not have the current status of these individuals. In addition, there were 2 school age children that were treated and released from the hospital the same day of the fire.

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**Details:** On 02/14/24 at around 6:35 a.m., a fire was reported at a residence on the 1000 block of Jefferson Street in Alexandria, MN. Alexandria Fire Department, Garfield Fire Department, Alexandria Police Department, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Minnesota State Patrol, and North Memorial Ambulance all responded to the scene. It was discovered that six people resided inside the single-family home. One adult male was found deceased inside the residence, and five were transported to Alomere Hospital in Alexandria. Three of the five were air lifted to the Hennepin County Medical Center. The other two were treated and released by Alomere.

One Alexandria Police Officer and One Douglas County Deputy Sheriff sustained injury because of rescue efforts and were also treated and released.

The Minnesota State Fire Marshal's Officer was on scene and the cause of the fire remains under investigation. No other injuries were reported and the condition of those still being treated is unknown at this time.

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**Details:** The Alexandria Police Department responded to a fire at the 1000 block of Jefferson Street at approximately 6:35 a.m.. Intersections at 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Jefferson Street will be

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blocked. The public is asked to stay away from these intersections due to the active fire investigation.

Please contact the Alexandria Police Department at 320-763-6631 with any information regarding the fire.

Chief Scott Kent