

Marina Fire & Police Departments

MEDIA RELEASE

FATAL FIRE UPDATE AT RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY

DATE OF INCIDENT:

November 5, 2011

TIME OF INCIDENT:

11:46 PM (2346 Hours)

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: DEPARTMENT CONTACT:

3239 Seaside Court

NTACT: Lt. Rick Janicki, PIO

On November 5, 2011, approximately 11:46 PM, the Marina Fire and Police Departments were dispatched to 3239 Seaside Court on a report of a structure fire. On arrival, firefighters found the structure to be well involved with fire. The structure was found to be a residential care facility for disabled adults. Rescue efforts were undertaken immediately. During firefighting efforts five adults were removed from the structure by firefighters. Four of the five perished due to possible injuries suffered from the fire. One adult is being treated at a local hospital. The two adult care givers suffered smoke inhalation and were also transported to local hospitals for further treatment.

In addition, three Marina police officers suffered smoke inhalation injuries and were treated and released. One firefighter was evaluated at the scene and required no further treatment.

During the ongoing investigation of the cause of the fire, the fifth adult was found deceased inside the residence near the seat of the fire. The Monterey County Coroners Office is in the process of notifying the next of kin of all the victims.

The United States Department of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms (ATF), is assisting with the investigation as is the Monterey County Fire Investigators.

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