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**NEWS RELEASE**

**Buffalo Grove Fire Department Extinguishes Residential House Fire**

**The single-family home on Patton Drive is uninhabitable due to \$150,000 in damages. Roads in the vicinity were closed for nearly three hours Monday.**

**Buffalo Grove, IL** – The Buffalo Grove Fire Department responded to a single-family structure fire at 605 Patton Drive in Buffalo Grove on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 12:03 p.m. Roads were closed in the area for nearly three hours as firefighters from Buffalo Grove and five area departments worked to extinguish the fire.

Police officers were initially at the scene and reported seeing fire coming from the roof. Moments later, firefighter/paramedics arrived, when fire and heavy smoke were then issuing from the rear roof of the house. The fire initially traveled from the upstairs bathroom, up into the attic, then through the attic. The fire department's alarm response was then elevated at 12:08 p.m. This involved calling in members of the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS) to assist with firefighting efforts.

The fire caused Patton Drive to be closed between Chenault Road and Hawthorne Road from just after 12 p.m. until 2:45 p.m. when the fire was finally extinguished. It destroyed a portion of the home's roof, caused extensive damage to the attic and all three upstairs bedrooms, in addition to a bathroom. Water and smoke damage also occurred on the first floor and in the basement of the home. Damage estimates to the house and its contents are estimated at approximately \$150,000.

Three adults were in the home at the time of the fire but were able to get out safely and one firefighter/paramedic injury was reported. The house will be uninhabitable until it is inspected by the Buffalo Grove Building Division. The cause of the fire has not yet been determined and remains under investigation.

In addition to Buffalo Grove, personnel from five other area fire departments that are part of MABAS assisted in extinguishing the fire.

For further information, please contact the Shift Commander at 847-520-3939.

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