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PURCELLVILLE HOUSE FIRE THAT DISPLACES FIVE UNDER INVESTIGATION

PURCELLVILLE, Va. JUNE 28, 2019 – Just After 8:00 p.m. on June 26, 2019, Fire and Rescue units responded to an incident in the 400 block of Heronwood Court in the Town of Purcellville. On their way to the incident, supplemental information confirmed there was a single family home with significant fire showing from the first floor. The incident was upgraded bringing additional fire and rescue crews from Round Hill, Hamilton, Philomont, Leesburg, units Lovettsville, Loudoun Heights, Lucketts and Clarke County and the Loudoun County Fire Marshal's Office.

Police and Fire units began to arrive within three minutes of being dispatched and observed a subject suffering significant burn injuries emerge from the residence. A Purcellville Police Officer and several bystanders immediately assisted the injured resident until the arrival of emergency medical personnel.

Firefighters immediately observed that the one-story, single family dwelling had active fire and smoke showing. Crews quickly made their way into the residence, confirming no additional occupants remained inside, and extinguished the fire within 15 minutes of their arrival. Rescue units immediately began treating two adults with burn injuries, one critical. Both patients were transported to the Burn Center at MedStar Washington Hospital Center.

Due to the extent of fire damage a total of five occupants have been displaced. The Loudoun County Fire Marshal's Office in cooperation with the Purcellville Police Department are currently investigating the incident.

The Town of Purcellville, Virginia

Purcellville is an award-winning town of over 10,000 residents located in Loudoun County, approximately 40 miles west of Washington, DC. Having received the prestigious Siemens Sustainability Award for Small Communities, Purcellville continues to be honored for its green initiatives with most recently being the Tree City USA recipient for the 10th year. The Town was reaffirmed as a AAA rated community by S&P Global Ratings, the highest credit rating possible, and is recognized as one of the safest towns in Virginia. Once a stop along the W&OD rail line, Purcellville has maintained its historic old-town feel through the restoration and maintenance of its many downtown structures, reflecting the Victorian architecture popular during the early 1900s. Today, Purcellville is the economic hub of western Loudoun County and a popular weekend destination for antiquing, entertainment, farmer's markets, wineries, breweries, distilleries and restaurants. More info at www.purcellvilleva.gov.

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