



INFORMATION BULLETIN

AFRS Crews Attend Three Suspicious Fires

ABBOTSFORD, BC: April 16, 2014 – In the early morning hours of April 16, 2014, Abbotsford Fire Rescue Services received reports of three suspicious fires in Abbotsford.

The first call at 3:00am was to an abandoned residence in the 32000 block of Hillcrest Avenue. AFRS crews worked quickly to contain the fire however damage was extensive at this property.

At 4:25 am Abbotsford Police and Fire Rescue were called to a fire in the 32300 block of Marshall Road. A convenience store containing residential suites occupies that property. Residents were able to call for help and began dousing the flames. There was minimal damage to the building and fortunately none of the eight persons who live at that location were injured.

A third fire was discovered during daylight hours at a financial institution in the 2500 block of Clearbrook Road. This fire did not create significant damage but is concerning nonetheless.

8 fire units, 25 members, and fire investigators attended these fires. A cause for the fires and whether or not these fires are linked has not yet been determined.

Currently the Abbotsford Police Department's Major Crime Unit, Patrol Division, Crime Analysis Unit, Forensic Identification Unit, and Fire Investigators are investigating these incidents.

Anyone with information about these incidents should call the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or text 222973 (abbypd) or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

-30-

For additional information, contact:

Ron Hull

Assistant Fire Chief – Operations

Tel: 604-853-3566

E: rhull@abbotsford.ca