



TAHSIS FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

WORKING SMOKE ALARMS SAVE TWO LIVES IN OVERNIGHT FIRE

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The Tahsis Fire Rescue Department responded to a fire in a mobile home during the early morning hours of October 14, 2024.

Ten Firefighters responded with three pieces of apparatus to a home on B Road, just before 430am. On arrival they found heavy smoke showing from the front of the dwelling. Two occupants, along with three family pets were safely alerted to the fire by a working smoke alarm, and had evacuated the structure before firefighters arrived. Firefighters worked quickly and had the fire under control within 10 minutes of their arrival on scene. The cause of the fire has been determined to be from an overloaded extension cord.

The displaced occupants along with their pets are receiving assistance from the Village of Tahsis Emergency Support Services volunteers.

This fire comes on the heels of the 2024 Fire Prevention Week campaign of "Smoke Alarms: Make them work for you!" If not for working smoke alarms in this home, the outcome could have been tragic.

There are requirements under the BC Fire Code for all dwellings to be equipped with working smoke alarms.

For additional information on fire safety in the community, please contact the Tahsis Fire Rescue Department at 250-202-9618 or firedepartment@villageoftahsis.com