



Snohomish County FIRE DISTRICT 7

Earning Trust Through Action

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Firefighters rescue one child from house fire

[Monroe, WA] – Snohomish County Fire District 7 was dispatched to a residential house fire at 11:09 am today at the 16500 block of 154th Street SE in Monroe. A neighbor had called 911 after seeing smoke coming from the home.

Monroe Police Department Officers arrived on scene first and were told that there was one child still in the house. The Officers quickly entered the home and closed the door to the bedroom where the fire was located then exited the home. They did not locate the child in that short time.



Snohomish County Fire District 7's Engine 31 crew arrived on scene and entered the home with a hose line to start controlling the fire and conduct a search. Medic 31 arrived on scene and assisted with searching. Medic 31 searched an adjacent bedroom and found the child in a closed toy trunk at the end of the bed. They quickly grabbed her and brought her outside the home to safety. Paramedics evaluated the child and was not transported.

Due to the quick thinking of the Police Officers by closing the bedroom door, firefighters were able to contain the fire to the bedroom and extinguish the flames.

The Police Officers who entered the home were evaluated by paramedics, and were uninjured.

Snohomish County Fire District 7 wants to remind citizens of the importance of creating a home fire escape plan and practicing with everyone living in your home. Further, closing doors during a fire and sleeping with your bedroom door closed at night can have been proven to save lives.

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On January 1, 2020 Lake Stevens Fire and Snohomish County Fire District 7 merged agencies. The new district serves over 162,000 people over 140 square miles and is dedicated to saving lives, protecting property, and taking care of people in a fiscally responsible manner. We serve the cities of Lake Stevens, Mill Creek, and Monroe along with the unincorporated areas surrounding these communities. In 2019, our emergency personnel responded to more than 17,000 emergency calls. Through community support,

we have built one of the most advanced emergency response systems in Snohomish County with highly-trained personnel, facilities, apparatus, and progressive rescue programs. We appreciate your support and are grateful for the opportunity to serve our community.

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