



Media Release

Residential Explosion and Fire

Tulalip, WA – On Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at approximately 2:31 PM, emergency first responders from the Tulalip Bay Fire District, Marysville Fire District, and the Tulalip Tribal Police Department responded to a call of a house explosion and fire located in the 2800 block Ed Williams Rd. Upon arrival, first responders found the house was on fire, and a rear corner of the house had been destroyed by the explosion. An adult male who was inside the house and had made it out had sustained severe burns over 50% of his body as a result of the explosion, he was transported by medical aid to Harborview Medical Center with life-threatening injuries. Three children occupants of the residence were inside when the explosion occurred, their ages ranged from late teens to preteens. The eldest sibling assisted the younger siblings out of the house. One of the children had minor injuries and was treated at the scene. The family dog also made it out of the house unharmed. The investigation into the cause of the explosion is being conducted jointly by the Tulalip Tribal Police Department Criminal Investigations Unit with assistance from the Snohomish County Fire Marshall's Office, the FBI, the ATF, and the Washington State Patrol Regional Explosives Team. The house is still smoldering and it is unknown if there are remaining explosive materials inside. The immediate neighborhood has been evacuated as a safety precaution. The cause of the explosion is believed to be related to fireworks, this remains an open and active investigation.



The public is reminded to use extreme caution and follow all safety protocols when handling or igniting fireworks. Each Fourth of July season, many people are severely injured by unsafe handling of fireworks.

“Always use fireworks outdoors and keep a bucket of water or a hose nearby in case of accidents. Never place a part of your body directly over a firework or hold a firework in your hand when lighting. Light only one firework at a time. Designate a safe perimeter to keep people safely away from fireworks.” American Red Cross.



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