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Murder Investigation Underway in St. Martinville

St. Martinville, LA – State Fire Marshal investigators, working with St. Martinville police detectives, are currently on the scene of a late morning fire where a woman’s body was found inside.

Firefighters were dispatched to 320 Margaret Street in St. Martinville, just before 11:00 a.m. Thursday, in response to a reported residential structure fire.

Upon gaining entry, firefighters found the lifeless body of a woman, whose identity is being withheld at this time.

After being examined by investigators, the body was released to the St. Martin Parish Coroner for autopsy. Investigators have determined that the victim died as a result of a homicide.

While there has been no official determination made as to the cause of the fire, investigators have established that the fire originated in the rear of the residence.

Anyone with information regarding this crime is encouraged to contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at 1-800-256-5452.

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