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State Fire Marshal Investigates Fatal House Fire in Breaux Bridge

ST. MARTIN PARISH (December 29, 2025) – The Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal (SFM) is investigating a fatal residential fire in Breaux Bridge that claimed the life of an infant.

At 2:18 a.m. on Sunday, December 28, 2025, the Breaux Bridge Fire Department responded to a house fire in the 1100 block of Poydras Place in Breaux Bridge. A baby died as a result of the fire. The child's mother sustained burn injuries and two siblings were overcome by smoke inhalation, but survived the fire.

SFM investigators have not determined whether the home had a working smoke alarm. The cause and origin of the fire remain under active investigation.

The SFM is using this tragedy to again urge Louisiana residents to make sure they have functioning smoke alarms in their homes.

Fire deaths are always tragic, and many can be prevented," said DPS Principal Assistant, Chief Bryan J. Adams. "Working smoke alarms give families the critical early warning needed to escape. Our Operation Save-A-Life program provides free smoke alarms and installation to help ensure every household has this essential protection."

For more information or to request a free smoke alarm installation, visit <u>lasfm.org</u> or contact your local fire department.

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