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Press Release – Structure Fire (2200 59th Street, Unincorporated Downers Grove)

On Saturday, December 23, 2023, at approximately 8:00 pm, the resident of 2200 59th Street in Unincorporated Downers Grove made a 911 call reporting that their garage was on fire.

A structure fire response was immediately dispatched, sending four (4) engines, two (2) ladder trucks, two (2) medic units, and several Command staff officers to the scene. The incident commander also requested one additional ladder truck and medic unit to the scene.

The first fire company arrived on the scene at approximately 8:05 pm and found a large amount of fire showing from an attached 2-car garage. The first arriving engine company immediately deployed a hose line while another used a large-diameter master stream device to begin simultaneously extinguishing the large volume of fire coming from the garage. At the same time, additional crews started searching the home for trapped occupants and hidden fire.

Crews brought the fire under control in approximately twelve minutes. Units remained on scene until approximately 10:10 pm, performing salvage and overhaul and conducting an origin and cause investigation. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation, but it does not appear suspicious.

No civilians or firefighters were injured in the fire.

Due to the significant smoke and fire damage, the DuPage County Building and Zoning Department deemed the home uninhabitable. Total damage estimates are not available at this time.

The Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District was assisted by units from the Lisle-Woodridge Fire Protection District, Downers Grove Fire Department, Downers Grove Police Department, and DuPage County Sherriff. During the incident, units from the Tri-State Fire Protection District and the Downers Grove Fire Department stood by at Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District Station 89 to provide coverage for any additional calls.

The Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District wants to remind everyone that smoke detectors save lives. All homes should have a working smoke detector in and outside each sleeping area and on every level of the residence. In addition, the National Fire Protection Agency also recommends testing them monthly and replacing them every ten years. For more information on smoke detectors and fire safety, please visit <https://www.nfpa.org/education-and-research/home-fire-safety/smoke-alarms>.

Additional information may be released as it becomes available. If you have further questions, please contact the Darien-Woodridge Fire Protection District at 630-910-2200.