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Avenue Road House Fire

Cambridge, Ontario. April 1, 2009...The Cambridge Fire Department (CFD) responded to a serious Avenue Road house fire at approximately 9:00 pm on Monday, March 30, 2009. A lone male occupant was rescued from the house by firefighters. After initial CPR efforts on scene by firefighters and paramedics, the gentleman was transported to Cambridge Memorial Hospital. He was later transferred to a Toronto hospital where he succumbed to injuries sustained in the fire.

The cause of the fire is under investigation by the Cambridge Fire Department and investigators from the Office of the Fire Marshal.

"This situation reminds us of the importance for all families to regularly test and make sure their smoke alarms are working and to also develop a home escape plan and practice it," says Chief Terry Allen.

The Cambridge Fire Department mission to: save lives, prevent injury and protect property, is always a priority of our firefighters. Chief Allen reminds our community that the Public Education Division staff is always on call to assist with valuable information on fire prevention and safety.

"We are ready and willing to assist families with information on home fire safety information," says Chief Allen. The Public Education Division delivers public fire safety information and services to the community in a number of ways including by phone, home fire safety inspections, neighbourhood information sessions and various public fire safety awareness events. When every second counts, these home fire safety and fire prevention programs provide valuable life saving information to families.

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