

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Busy Night for Nanaimo Fire Rescue Responding to Four Structure Fires**

*Prevention Investigating to Determine Cause*

#### **Summary**

NFR crews and FireComm had a busy night as they responded to 2 back to back residential fires in the early evening, later a fire at Harmac and then an early morning fire in a home. At 6:05 crews attended a fire on Milford Crescent which they quickly extinguished and while on scene were then dispatched to Pine Street for a heavily involved fire in the attic level. The Pine street fire proved to be stubborn.

All residents at Pine Street were safe and accounted for and none of the fires resulted in any injuries. Then at 9:28 crews responded to a fire at Harmac, which again proved to be difficult due to the location and the height at where the fire was located. Working for several hours NFR crews used the Aerial truck and worked with staff from Harmac to extinguish the fire. Then at 6:10 Friday morning another call came in for a 4th structure fire which originated in a rubbish pile and extended to exterior of home. Fire Prevention will be investigating the 4 fires throughout the day.

*Strategic Link:* The City of Nanaimo is committed to Public Safety.

#### **Key Points**

- Nanaimo Fire Rescue Crews and Fire Dispatch responded to 4 structure fires overnight.
- Fire Prevention will be investigating all four fires.

#### **Quotes**

"The Pine Street fire and Harmac fire were stubborn and required NFR crews to be on scene for an extended period of time. The aerial truck from Station 3 was brought in to assist in the efforts at Harmac due to the height at which the fire was located."

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#### **Quick Facts**

- NFR crews responded to 4 structure fires.
- The Pine Street and Harmac fires kept crews on scene for an extended period. Coverage was maintained throughout the city.

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