

Atchison house fire leaves one dead

**(KAIR)--Atchison firefighters, Thursday morning, responded to an Atchison house fire that left one person injured.**

**According to a preliminary report from Atchison Fire Chief Patrick Weishaar, fire crews, en route to the scene, had received a report that a senior citizen was possibly trapped inside. A resident of the home was rescued by firefighters, from a bedroom floor, and transported to Amberwell Atchison for treatment of injuries, but later died. The victim's name has not been made public.**

According to Weishaar, the small, one story home, located at 1033 Hickory Street, was engulfed in flames at the time they arrived, around 6:45 Thursday morning.

**Crews were able to bring the fire under control, Weishaar said, but remained on the scene to monitor the situation throughout Thursday.**

**The Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office has been called in to assist local investigators in determining the cause of the blaze.**

**Weishaar, in his release, says the fire call came at shift change, meaning two shifts of Atchison firefighters were able to quickly respond.**

**Numerous agencies assisted at the scene of the fire, including Atchison Police, the Kansas Highway Patrol, Atchison County EMS, Evergy, Kansas Gas Service, and City of Atchison crews.**

**The local Salvation Army also responded, assisting residents with resources due to the loss of the home.**