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**Police Investigate Deadly Fire in Mountain View**

**San Diego** – At 6:14 a.m. on April 1, 2021, San Diego Police and San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel responded to a structure fire in the 300 block of South 38<sup>th</sup> Street. When they arrived, they found a residence on fire. San Diego Fire-Rescue personnel extinguished the fire and discovered the bodies of three individuals inside. They appeared to have succumbed to injuries caused by the fire.

Metro Arson Strike Team (MAST) investigators responded to the scene. During the preliminary evaluation of the scene to determine the cause and origin of the fire, the investigators discovered suspicious circumstances which led them to believe the fire could have been intentionally set. Investigators from the San Diego Police Homicide Unit responded to the scene to assist.

It is still very early in the investigation and little is known about the circumstances leading up to the fire. Homicide investigators will be working with the MAST investigators to determine the cause and origin of the fire and if it involved foul play. We do not believe there are any outstanding suspects or dangers to the community at this time.

The identity of the remains found in the scene have not been determined at this time.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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