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(West Linn Fire Investigation Suspended Until Next Week)

TVF&R Fire Investigators have completed the physical examination and analysis of a West Linn home that suffered a devastating fire last Sunday, March 21st. Investigators determined that the fire began in the front living room, in or near a couch, and have identified several potential ignition sources. The fire is believed to be accidental in nature.

Investigators hope to have an official ruling on the exact cause of the blaze once they have the opportunity to talk with the home owner, Irene C. Anderson. Ms. Anderson has been holding vigil all week for her 47 year-old daughter who had to be rescued and resuscitated by firefighters on scene and is in critical condition according to staff at Legacy Emanuel Burn Center.

The investigation has been suspended until such time that Ms. Anderson is in a position to talk to with investigators. TVF&R Public Information Officer Karen Eubanks states, "The gravity of the situation and the need for Ms. Anderson to be with her daughter right now, supersedes our needs." Eubanks added, "Waiting a few days is not going to negatively impact the investigation."

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