



**HOUSTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE
MEDIA ALERT**

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The Houston Fire Department to Area of Latest Fire Fatality

WHAT: Firefighters from the Houston Fire Department will be in the Southeast Houston neighborhood that is the location of the latest fire fatality.

WHEN: Today, Tuesday, September 8, 2009 11:00am

WHERE: The corner of Leonora and Glenview, Key Map 535S

DETAILS: Houston Firefighters will be canvassing a Southeast Houston neighborhood site of the latest fire fatality that occurred early Monday morning. These Firefighters will be going door-to-door distributing fire safety information and talking to the area residents about having a fire escape plan in place and the importance of having working smoke detectors. The Houston Fire Department would like to remind everyone to have a fire escape plan in place and to practice that plan every month. HFD would also like to stress the importance of practicing safe cooking habits and never leave cooking food unattended.

The fire occurred at 7940 Leonora early Monday morning and claimed the life of a 48 year old woman who resided at that address.

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