

## SEATAC APARTMENT FIRE

## Evidence of arson

**City of SeaTac, Wash. August 14, 2011** – A City of SeaTac Fire Department Investigator is looking into the cause of an apartment fire that appears to have been intentionally set in the 3000 block of S. 204 Street.

SeaTac firefighters were first dispatched to the call at 1:33 AM to investigate smoke at the apartment complex. The call was quickly changed as more information was obtained by 9-1-1 call receivers and upgraded to a commercial building fire.

When firefighters arrived and entered the building they found fire in the hallway leading to the individual apartments. After extinguishing the fire, they checked to ensure that it had not extended into any of the units. A red gas can was found in the hallway.

All of the residents were able to escape the fire safely and there were no reports of injuries. Because the fire was stopped by firefighters in the hallway, all of the affected residents will be able to return to their homes.

Firefighters from SeaTac, South King Fire and Rescue, and Tukwila responded to the incident.

Because of the evidence, the fire is now considered a crime scene. Anyone with information is asked to contact the SeaTac Fire Department at 206-973-4500. More information will be published at it becomes available.

## ###

Media Contact: Kyle Ohashi, Captain

SeaTac Fire Department PIO Cell: 206-972-4082 Media Line: 253-856-4488 kohashi@ci.kent.wa.us

## **About the City of SeaTac:**

Incorporated in February 1990, the City of SeaTac is located approximately midway between the cities of Seattle and Tacoma. The City of SeaTac is 10 square miles in area and has a population of 25,230. The City of SeaTac is a vibrant community, economically strong, environmentally sensitive, and people-oriented. The City boundaries surround the <u>Seattle-Tacoma International Airport</u>, (approximately 3 square miles in area) which is owned and operated by the <u>Port of Seattle</u>. For more information contact Jeff Robinson, economic development manager, at (206) 973-4812.