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House Fire at 72 Mamaroneck Road

At approximately 1:00 AM on Monday, January 21, 2019, the Scarsdale Fire Department was dispatched to a residential structure fire at 72 Mamaroneck Road. No adjacent properties were involved.

Residents of the property had already exited the home when Fire Department personnel arrived on-scene approximately four minutes later. A mutual aid response was activated, with eleven departments having responded. 80 fire and EMS personnel, including over 20 Scarsdale Volunteer Firefighters, valiantly battled the blaze in extreme weather conditions.

The severe weather complicated the response, with wind, cold, and ice influencing equipment performance and fire personnel safety on-scene. A Westchester County Bee-Line transit bus and Red Cross van were deployed to provide warming for the firefighters. Some firefighters were taken to the hospital due to smoke and cold-related injuries; only one remains hospitalized for observation purposes.

As of 1:30 PM today, the fire continues to smolder, with continuing Scarsdale Fire Department fire suppression occurring until the threat of a flare-up is deemed unlikely, at which point the location will be actively monitored until it is secured. No initial determination as to cause has been identified, though it may be related to a wood fire the family had enjoyed in their fireplace prior to turning-in for the evening.

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