



# Abbotsford Police Department

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## NEWS RELEASE

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### Incident: 3 Suspicious Fires in Abbotsford

#### Abbotsford –April 16, 2014

In the early morning hours of April 16, 2014 three suspicious fires were reported in the city of Abbotsford. The most significant from the standpoint of damage was to an abandoned residence in the 32000 block of Hillcrest Avenue. Abbotsford Fire Rescue Service worked hard to keep that fire contained after being called to the location at 3:00 am. At 4:25 am Abbotsford Police and Fire Rescue were dispatched to a fire in the 32300 block of Marshall Road. A convenience store with residential suites contained in it occupies that property. Alert residents were able to call for help and began dousing the flames. There was some damage to the building but fortunately none of the eight persons who live at that location were injured. A third fire was discovered during daylight hours at a financial institution in the 2500 block of Clearbrook Road. This fire did not create significant damage but is concerning nonetheless. Investigators have not determined that these fires are linked, but their proximity and the time frame in which they started is clearly troubling.



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Currently the Abbotsford Police Department's Major Crime Unit, Patrol Division, Crime Analysis Unit, Forensic Identification Unit, and Fire Investigators are investigating these incidents.

Anyone with information about these incidents should call the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or text 222973 (abbypd) or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

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