



Connecticut Department of Correction Statement Regarding Cochegan House Fire

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(MONTVILLE, CT) — On Thursday evening, September 24, emergency crews responded to a fire at Cochegan House following a 911 call reporting that an individual had intentionally set a fire.

The building's sprinkler system activated as designed. All residents were safely evacuated, temporarily relocated, and have since returned to Cochegan House. No injuries were reported.

The suspect was apprehended and is currently in custody. The Department worked closely with local public safety officials throughout the response. There is no ongoing threat to residents or the surrounding community.

Cochegan House is a residential work-release facility serving adult men transitioning back into the community.

The Department extends its appreciation to all first responders for their rapid response and collaborative efforts.

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