



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: November 20, 2013

Case No. 13-19534

On November 20, 2013, at approximately 12:20 p.m., the Portage Department of Public Safety responded to the 500 block of Barberry Street for a personal injury crash. A passenger vehicle struck a home, which caused a natural gas leak. No one was at home at the time of the crash, and two homes adjacent to the scene were temporarily evacuated while the gas leak was mitigated by Portage Fire Rescue personnel.

The driver and sole occupant of the vehicle involved, a 23-year-old Portage resident, was treated at the scene for minor injuries. The accident is still under investigation. Alcohol does not appear to have been a factor; however, possibly driver fatigue may have played a part in the crash.

Anyone with information about this crash is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100,

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