

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## House Fire Results in Total Structural Loss

GUTTENBERG, IA - On the evening of Thursday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, Emergency Response Teams responded to a fire at a home owned by Imagine the Possibilities, Inc. in Guttenberg, Iowa.

Imagine the Possibilities is incredibly thankful no residents or on-duty employees were injured. All who were present in the home at the time of the fire were assessed at Guttenberg Municipal Hospital. No injuries are reported.

Residents of the home will spend the first 2 to 3 nights in temporary housing set up in the agency's administrative building in Guttenberg. On Monday, December 5, all five residents will move into a home in Guttenberg quickly identified as suitable for their needs and available for purchase. Imagine will enter into an occupancy arrangement effective immediately while the purchase of the home can be finalized. Additionally, Imagine intends to rebuild a home at the site of the fire.

Imagine the Possibilities is a nonprofit organization that serves individuals with disabilities across the state of Iowa. As an organization, Imagine the Possibilities is on mission to empower people to reach individual achievement across the spectrum of life. This is done through equipping people with the skills and opportunities necessary for success.



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This location, like many others across the state of lowa, was home to the individuals Imagine the Possibilities serves in the area. The following days, weeks, and months will be a time of rebuilding that sense of home for these individuals.

Agency leadership expresses profound gratitude to all of the fire personnel and first responders involved in the incident. Imagine the Possibilities is especially thankful for the community support received for the residents of the home, their families, and our team. As we become aware of specific needs, the information will be presented on our website at <a href="https://www.imagineia.org">www.imagineia.org</a> for those wishing to contribute.

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