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Police investigating two deaths in train derailment

Howard County police are investigating the derailment of a train in Ellicott City this evening that resulted in the deaths of two unidentified people.

Police and fire department personnel were called to Main Street around midnight for a report that an eastbound CSX train had come off the tracks. Emergency workers found 21 cars of an 80-car freight train derailed or overturned. The cars contained coal and no hazardous materials.

Rescue workers located two people deceased in the wreckage at the scene. Their identities, including their genders, are unknown at this time.

Two train operators were unharmed in the incident. The cause of the derailment is unknown and is being investigated by a CSX investigative team.

At this time, Main Street and Frederick Road are closed from Ellicott City into Baltimore County.

Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

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