

News Release

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Man airlifted from Kalepa Ridge trail on Saturday

LĪHU'E – Firefighters responded to a man in distress Saturday afternoon along the Kalepa Ridge trail in Līhu'e.

At approximately 12:45 p.m., first responders were notified of a 59-year-old male resident who was having difficulty breathing along the Kalepa Ridge trail. Bystanders at the scene reported that the man became unresponsive, and they began administering CPR.

Rescue 3 personnel aboard Air 1 were dispatched to the scene where they found the man, who had regained consciousness, lying on the ground.

Rescuers airlifted the man using a stokes litter and he was short-hauled to a nearby landing zone at Kaua'i Beach Resort.

Awaiting Kapa'a firefighters and AMR medics provided additional support, and the man was transported to Wilcox Medical Center in serious condition for further treatment.

