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KANSAS CITY, Mo. -- A northland 2-year-old is dead after an apparent accident involving furniture.

The incident happened before 6 p.m. at a home near 86th Street and N. Oakland. Police say Charlie Horn, one of three triplets, was playing on a dresser when it tipped over on top of him. The nanny caring for the children told police she thought Charlie was asleep.

These types of tragedies are not all that uncommon. The Consumer Product Safety Commission lists "tip overs" as one of the top five hidden home hazards.

In 2006, 31 people died and an estimated 3,000 were injured in tip over incidents involving furniture, televisions and book cases. To improve safety in your home, make sure furniture is stable on its own and anchor any unstable pieces to a floor or wall.

Free-standing ranges and stoves should be installed with anti-tip brackets