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COMMERCIAL FIRE 1081 Stage Avenue (*Coopertown Services*)

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to an alarm of fire at 1081 Stage Avenue, Wednesday, October 28, 2020 at 5:29 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy smoke visible from the one-story commercial, chimney repair storage building. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Eighteen (18) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately forty-four (44) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief D. Atkins was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 5:59 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

The commercial building **did not have** a sprinkler system. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$100,000 building and \$100,000 contents. The origin of the fire was determined to be the storage room bay area. The cause is inconclusive. This fire remains under investigation. *Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 528-CASH (2274) or the State Arson Hotline at 1-800-762-3017. You could be eligible to receive a cash reward from Crime Stoppers of Memphis and Shelby County, Inc.*



The Memphis **Fire** Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line: <https://www.memphistn.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=11150816&pageId=12053796b> or contact the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650. Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other **FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY** issues please dial 901-458-8281.

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