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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

1603 Gotten Street

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to a house fire at 1603 Gotten Street, Sunday, December 13, 2020 at 12:08 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported fire visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Ten (10) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately twenty-six (26) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Acting Battalion Chief M. Edwards was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 12:19 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

The unoccupied structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$10,000.00 structure and \$5,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be a washer that malfunctioned in the kitchen. Red Cross assistance was not requested.

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** by contacting the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/>. 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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