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RESIDENTIAL FIRE
4255 Town Hall Lane - Raleigh Court Townhomes
(Civilian Found Unresponsive)



MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to an alarm of fire at 4255 Town Hall Lane, Monday, February 8, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported fire visible from the two-story wood frame residential townhomes. Twenty-two (22) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately fifty-three (53) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief C. Newsom was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was bought under control at 4:57 p.m. *During interior search procedures, a seventy-two (72) year old female was found unresponsive in the bedroom. She was transported in critical condition to Regional One Burn Unit with smoke inhalation.* There were no firefighter injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. Two (2) units sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$65,500 structure and \$20,000 contents. The origin of the fire was determined to be the living room. The cause is still 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.* Red Cross provided assistance for three (3) adults.

The Memphis **Fire** Department recommends that all citizens maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check alarms monthly and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** on-line at: <https://www.memphistn.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=11150816&pageId=12053796> or call 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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