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RESIDENTIAL FIRE 7222 Rose Trail Drive

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 7222 Rose Trail Drive, Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 3:03 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke 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. Battalion Chief C. Miles was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 3:25 a.m. *An adult male was transported in non-critical condition to St. Francis Hospital with smoke inhalation.* There were no firefighter injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$2,000.00 structure and \$3,500.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be a heating unit that malfunctioned in the attic. 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 calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: <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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