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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE 3277 Given Avenue

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a vacant house fire at 3277 Given Avenue, Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 1:48 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. Battalion Chief S. Clark was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 2:06 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

The vacant structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$9,000.00 structure and \$3,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be accidental as a result of careless disposal of smoking materials by squatters.

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 at: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/> 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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