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## RESIDENTIAL FIRE 4180 Red Leaf Cove

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 4180 Red Leaf Cove, Saturday, February 27, 2021 at 6:21 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Eleven (11) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-seven (27) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief S. Dew was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 6:37 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian 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 \$20,000.00 structure and \$10,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be accidental; a space heater left unattended ignited combustible materials in the bedroom. Red Cross provided assistance for one adult and three children.

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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