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COMMERCIAL FIRE 5032 S. Third Street



MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to an alarm of fire at 5032 S. Third Street, Monday, March 8, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported fire visible from the rear of the one story commercial structure. Seventeen (17) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately thirty-nine (39) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Division Chief P. Dix was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 2:00 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

The vacant structure and a vehicle sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$5,000.00 vehicle, \$5,000.00 structure and no contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be intentionally set to the interior of the vehicle in the rear of the vacant building. This fire remains under investigation. *Anyone with information regarding this incident or any arson related crimes are 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.*

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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