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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

2767 Van Der Veer Drive

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 2767 Van Der Veer Drive, Friday, May 14, 2021 at 2:17 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-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 L. Harmon was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 2:30 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has not been determined if the residence had a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$10,000.00 structure and \$4,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be food left unattended on the stove in the kitchen. Red Cross provided assistance for two adults.

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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