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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

3712 Vanuys Road



MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to a house fire at 3712 Vanuys Road, Tuesday, June 1, 2021 at 5:18 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Sixteen (16) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately thirty-eight (38) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Acting Battalion Chief D. Lowrance was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 5:41 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. Two vehicles and two homes sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$30,000.00 vehicles, \$84,000.00 structure and \$20,000.00 contents. The adjacent home (3706 Vanuys) sustained \$10,000.00 structural damage and \$20,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be the result of a vehicle fire in the garage that spread to a second vehicle and ultimately to both homes. Red Cross provided assistance for two (2) families.

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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