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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

5280 Brenton Avenue

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 5280 Brenton Avenue, Thursday, August 5, 2021 at 1:34 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Thirteen (13) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-nine (29) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief D. Waddell was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 1:45 p.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries. Red Cross provided assistance for two adults.



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 \$30,000.00 building and \$20,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be cooking oil left unattended on the stove in the kitchen.

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** by contacting the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/> 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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