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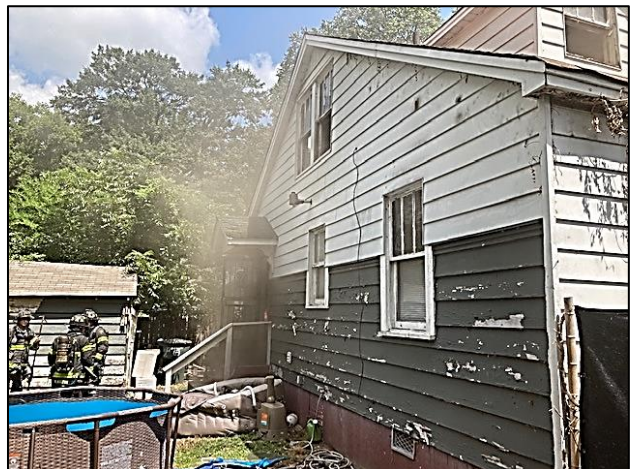
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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

605 Spring Street



MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to an alarm of fire at 605 Spring Street, Monday, August 16, 2021 at 12:20 p.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the two-story wood frame residential structure. Fifteen (15) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately thirty-two (32) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief D. Washington the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 12:33 p.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 building and \$12,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be electrical wiring that malfunctioned in the breaker box in the kitchen. Red Cross provided assistance for five adults and five 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** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: <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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