



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 6, 2021

Gina Y. Sweat, Director of Fire Services
CONTACT: Lt. Wayne A. Cooke
Public Information Officer, MFD
901-636-5682 O, 901-508-0614 C
Wayne.Cooke@memphistn.gov

RESIDENTIAL FIRE 6308 Lake View Trail #106



MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to an alarm of fire at 6308 Lake View Trail, Friday, August 6, 2021 at 4:15 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported heavy fire visible from the three-story apartments. Thirty-four (34) pieces of **Fire/Rescue/EMS** equipment and approximately one hundred and three (103) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief M. McNeil was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 5:15 a.m. *An adult male was transported in stable condition to Baptist East Hospital with head and facial injuries.* There were no firefighter injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did have** a working smoke alarm. Twenty-four units sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$2,000,000.00 structure and \$1,000,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be accidental; combustible materials ignited as a result of a tenant welding a trailer on the exterior of apartment #106. Red Cross provided assistance for eighteen (18) 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.

###