



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 3, 2021



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

RESIDENTIAL FIRE 5804 Knight Arnold Road

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis Fire Department responded to a house fire at 5804 Knight Arnold Road, Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 1:40 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.

Twelve (12) pieces of Fire/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-eight (28) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Battalion Chief S. Dew was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 1:53 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 \$30,000.00 structure and \$3,000.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be careless disposal of smoking materials in the attic. Red Cross provided assistance for two adults and six children.

The Memphis Fire Department recommends that all citizens maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check alarms monthly 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.

###