



KENNEWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

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MEDIA RELEASE

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[Kennewick, WA] On Sunday, May 29, 2022, at 1:58 a.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department were dispatched to a reported residential fire. The location of the incident was 800 block of W 41st Pl in Kennewick.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene just over 7 minutes after being dispatched, and found a small home with a large amount of fire coming from the backside of the house. The first arriving crew quickly applied water on the fire from the exterior of the building in order to begin extinguishment and slow the spread of the fire. After additional fire units arrived on scene, priorities were placed on locating and extinguishing the source of the fire and searching for occupants. A thorough search determined there were no occupants inside of any of the home.

It took approximately 20 minutes to bring the fire under control. Smoke and fire damage was substantial throughout the home. The home will not be inhabitable for an undetermined amount of time due to the magnitude of the damage from the fire.

One firefighter suffered an injury when a large amount of sheetrock fell on top of him inside of the home. The firefighter was evaluated at Trios Medical Center and released a few hours later with a minor injury.

The cause of this fire is presently under investigation.

The Kennewick Fire Department would like to remind everyone to call 911 immediately if they observe smoke or flames coming from a home. Early notification is imperative in the effort to control a fire from spreading, and to rescue occupants that may not be able to exit a home on their own.

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