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# KENNEWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

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### MEDIA RELEASE

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[Kennewick, WA] On Sunday, November 6, 2022, at 1:30 a.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department, Richland Fire & Emergency Services, and Benton County Fire District 1 were dispatched to a residential fire. The location of the incident was 2309 W 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. in Kennewick. While fire crews were in route to this incident, dispatch informed them the initial call was a 911 hang up. A call back by the dispatcher to the calling party revealed that a home located at this address was on fire.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene just over 4 minutes of being dispatched. Upon arrival, the crew observed roof high flames on the exterior of the home that were exposing a garage window and a bedroom window in the attic space of the home. The initial arriving crew quickly applied water on the fire from the exterior of the home to knock down the main body of the fire. Additional arriving firefighting units were tasked with completing fire extinguishment inside of the home and conducting a search for any occupants that might be inside. The fire was considered to be fully extinguished just over 20 minutes after fire crews arrived on scene.

The home was occupied at the time the fire occurred by four people. An Officer from the Kennewick Police Department assisted with the evacuation of the home before fire crews arrived on scene, and provided additional assistance to firefighting crews by describing the extent of the fire development and locating the closest fire hydrant.

Three adults and one minor will be temporarily displaced because of the fire. Red Cross services were offered to the family, but they declined.

No firefighters were injured during firefighting operations.

The cause of the fire is under an investigation.

The Kennewick Fire Department would like to remind everyone to get out and stay out if you have a fire in your hose. Work with your family to develop a home fire escape plan and practice it.

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