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[Kennewick, WA] On Sunday, January 1, 2023, at 6:34p.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department, Benton Co. Fire District 1, and Pasco Fire Department were dispatched to a residential fire reported to be at 124 E. 6th Ave. in Kennewick, but was actually determined to be 124C E. 5th Ave.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene within 2 minutes of being dispatched and located a small apartment/house on the backside of the incident address with black smoke coming from the doorway.

The fire was extinguished within approximately 10 minutes of the first crew's arrival and remained contained to the studio bedroom where it began. Rapid notification to the fire department and the prompt response from fire crews prevented the fire from spreading into other parts of the home.

Although the home was occupied at the time of the fire, the resident made it out safely. One person will be temporarily displaced as a result of the fire, and has already arranged for alternative housing. No civilians or firefighters sustained any injuries from the fire.

The fire appears to have started in an interior corner of the home next to the bed. The specific cause of the fire was undetermined.

The Kennewick Fire Department has had several residential fires over the past couple of weeks. The KFD would like to encourage everyone to exercise fire safety in their homes to help prevent unintentional fires from occurring. Should a fire ignite in your home, please remember to quickly get everyone out of the house and stay out.

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