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[Kennewick, WA] On Sunday, January 22 2023, at 12:11 p.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department were dispatched to a garage fire, located at 3303 S. Vancouver Pl. in Kennewick.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene in just under 4 minutes of being dispatched. Upon arrival, the crew observed visible fire inside the garage. Responding crews were able to quickly apply water on the fire, which prevented the fire from spreading into the attached home. The fire was extinguished within 10 minutes of the first crew's arrival on scene.

The cause of the fire appears to be unintentional. The homeowner reported that they were using a propane space heater inside the garage, which appears to have ignited some flammable materials located within close proximity to the space heater.

Although KFD was able to rapidly extinguish this fire, exposed electrical wiring sustained damage that will prevent the home from being reoccupied until electrical repairs can be completed.

The home was occupied at the time of the fire, but none of the occupants were injured because of the fire. Additionally, no firefighters were injured during firefighting operations.

The Kennewick Fire Department would like to remind everyone to exit the premises immediately with the occurrence of any fire in your home. According to the Fire Safety Research Institute, "Today you have the least amount of time to safely exit your home than any other time in history."

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