



KENNEWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

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MEDIA RELEASE

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[Kennewick, WA] On Friday, August 5, 2022, at 5:47 a.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department were dispatched to a reported residential structure fire at 708 W 27th Ave. The calling party reported seeing flames coming from the roof of the home and from a boat stored next to the home located at this address.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene within 7 minutes of being dispatched. Upon arrival, the crew observed a boat that was heavily involved in fire. The fire had also spread to the wall and the eaves of a garage that was located a couple of feet away from the boat. Initial firefighting efforts were focused on preventing the fire from spreading into the garage and the attic of a home attached to the garage. Later arriving crews were assigned to assist with extinguishing the fire in the boat and to conduct a search for any occupants that might be inside of the home.

It took approximately 15 minutes to bring the fire under control. The fire completely destroyed the boat and did a significant amount of damage to the exterior of the garage located closest to the boat. The fire was within a minute of spreading into the garage and the attic of the home had fire crews not have been able to quickly apply water.

There were no injuries to firefighters or civilians because of the fire.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

The Kennewick Fire Department would like to remind everyone to call early if signs of a fire are observed. Rapid extinguishment of a fire helps save lives and protect property.

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