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## KENNEWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

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### MEDIA RELEASE

For Immediate Release

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[Kennewick, WA] On Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 8:32 a.m., fire crews from the Kennewick Fire Department were dispatched to a residential fire. The location of the incident was 2716 W. 6<sup>th</sup> Pl. in Kennewick. The initial information provided to responding fire crews by the dispatch center was a caller reported that a home was on fire at the above location, and the dispatcher could hear screaming in the background.

The first KFD crew arrived on scene within less than five minutes of being dispatched. Upon arrival, the crew observed fire coming from the backside of the home. The crew also observed a male, approximately 40 years of age, with burns on his upper torso. The initial arriving fire engine quickly applied water to extinguish the fire and prevent it from spreading. The initial arriving paramedic unit delivered patient care and transported the patient to a local hospital. The fire was rapidly extinguished by KFD personnel, preventing the fire from spreading to the interior of the trailer.

The fire was extinguished within 12 minutes of the first crew's arrival on scene.

Due to the severity of his injuries, the patient was transported with lights and sirens to the hospital. After receiving treatment to stabilize his injuries, he was flown to Harbor View Medical Center in Seattle for advanced medical care.

No firefighters were injured during firefighting operations.

Although the fire began in the kitchen, the exact cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The Kennewick Fire Department would like to remind everyone that cooking fires continue to be the primary cause of home fires and home fire injuries. A few simple precautions, such as never leaving your stove unattended while cooking and keeping a fire extinguisher located nearby can help prevent significant fires and/or injuries.

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