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## KENNEWICK FIRE DEPARTMENT

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### MEDIA RELEASE

For Immediate Release

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[Kennewick, WA] On Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:47 PM, Kennewick and Richland Fire units responded to 8310 W. Bruneau PL. for a house fire with flames visible from the garage.

Richland Fire Dept Engine 1712 arrived within six minutes and noted a residential home with smoke and flames from the garage area. They pulled hose lines and began to attack the fire while Kennewick fire units arrived and forced entry into the main garage door to complete extinguishment of the fire. The family heard activated smoke detectors and evacuated; however, two dogs were reported still inside the living area. Kennewick fire crews performed a search and removed both dogs, both of whom were returned to the family, safe and healthy.

The fire was contained to the garage area in approximately 15 minutes since the interior doors were closed and slowed the heat and smoke travel into the living quarters. Working smoke detectors alerted the family of the fire and quick evacuation by the parents ensured no injuries.

The cause is currently under investigation and appears to have started in the garage. Flame damage was confined to the garage and some smoke damage was evident in the living quarters of the home. The home will need to be repaired before the family can re-occupy it.

The Kennewick Fire Dept would like to remind everyone to ensure your smoke detectors are working and to "close before you doze", meaning to close interior doors before going to bed, which in case of a fire, will help to slow the spread of fire and smoke throughout a home.

More information on fire safety can be found at [NFPA.org](https://www.nfpa.org).

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