



PRESS RELEASE

City of Visalia Fire Department

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Two-Story Home Damaged by Fire in Visalia

At approximately 8:30 pm, on Saturday, October 1, 2016, Visalia Fire Department units responded to a reported two-story residential structure at 2336 W. Packwood. First arriving units found heavy smoke and fire coming from the second story of the structure. All residents had safely evacuated the residence prior to the arrival of fire department resources. Firefighters made an aggressive interior fire attack and were able to contain the fire to the second floor. The fire was under control within 20 minutes. There was major fire damage to the second floor and smoke damage throughout the structure. Total damage to the structure and contents is estimated to be approximately \$95,000.00

Seventeen fire personnel from four Engines, one Truck, one Prevention Officer and one Battalion Chief responded to the incident. One resident was evaluated by EMS personnel for smoke inhalation, however, was not transported to the hospital. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation by Visalia Fire and Police Department Investigators.

The occupants displaced by the fire were able to make arrangements to stay with family members.

Approved By: Battalion Chief Brian Adney

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