



BARTLETT
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Press Release

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Description: Structure Fire

On Friday, August 7, 2020, at 11:52 pm., the Bartlett Fire District was called to a report of a structure fire in the 1200 Block of Appaloosa Way in Bartlett. The first Bartlett Fire District personnel arrived on the scene at 11:59 pm and reported heavy fire in the rear of a two-story townhome complex. The first fire crews deployed several hose lines. The fire was initially fought from the exterior before several other hose lines were brought into the residences. Other firefighters stretched a supply line to a fire hydrant, searched the buildings for any trapped occupants and to locate any hidden fire. The fire was declared under control at 12:35 am. Firefighters continued to ventilate smoke and fire gases and extinguish small hot spots within the residences. Firefighters also placed tarps to protect the property of the residents and conducted investigative activities for some time after the fire was extinguished.

No firefighters were injured in the fire; however, two civilians were treated for minor injuries at the scene and were released. The fire involved two townhome units within the complex, and both residences were left uninhabitable. Damage estimates are not available at the time of this release. The fire remains under investigation by the Bartlett Fire District investigators.

The fire was fought by 29 firefighters, staffing five fire engines, two ladder trucks, and four ambulances that responded to the scene along with six command officers and two fire investigators. Units from the Hanover Park, Streamwood, South Elgin, West Chicago, and Carol Stream fire department(s) were the initial responders to the scene as part of an automatic aid agreement. Bartlett Police Department assisted at the scene with traffic and crowd control.

The Bartlett Fire District, along with Underwriters Laboratories Fire Safety Research Institute, and the close before you doze campaign, reminds residents to sleep with their doors closed. A closed bedroom door could potentially save your life in a fire. Visit our website at www.bartlettfire.com for additional fire safety tips.

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