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## **Firefighters Quickly Contain Fire in Single Family Residence**

Firefighters responded to a house fire on the 1900 block of Sheely Dr. this morning. Units were dispatched at 7:57 a.m. and arrived on scene at 8:03 a.m. Occupants were able to safely evacuate the home and no other structures were threatened. Firefighters were also able to rescue a pet hamster from the home.

Arriving firefighters discovered that the fire, which began on the east side of the home, had spread to the attic. A device called a Fognail, was deployed on the roof to quickly extinguish the fire in the attic. A Fognail is a sprinkler like device that can be punched through surfaces such as walls and roofs. The Fognail makes cooling of smoke and hot surfaces possible without adding oxygen to the fire.

The fire was brought under control by 8:30 a.m. Crews remained on scene to clear debris and create a safe area for the fire investigator to conduct a thorough review of the scene.

PFA's Customer Assistance Response Team, or CART, was dispatched to assist the residents. CART team members help people displaced by fire to navigate tragic events such as these by providing support that can include finding temporary places to stay, starting insurance claims and more.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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