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***Press Release***

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Fire Damages Apartment

At 2:39pm the Modesto Regional Fire Authority responded to a report of a structure fire at 822 9<sup>th</sup> street in downtown Modesto. Prior to arrival Modesto Police arrived and reported fire coming from a second story apartment. MPD assisted in evacuating the second floor. The response was upgraded to a second alarm and brought 7 Engines, 2 Trucks, 4 Chief Officers, and 2 support Officers for a total of 34 personnel. The first unit arrived within 5 minutes and reported a two story multifamily occupancy with smoke from a second floor apartment. Crews operated in an aggressive fire attack and extinguished the fire within 20 minutes. The fire was contained to only one apartment and damage is estimated at \$30,000.00. One minor injury was reported and treated by AMR on scene. Due to the nature of the fire and ability to secure the utilities, all 8 units were secured. As a result, 8-12 adults were displaced and Red Cross responded to assist with shelter. The cause is still under investigation and all units cleared the scene.

The Modesto Regional Fire Authority would like to remind citizens to check their smoke detectors monthly and replace the batteries once a year.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E2PIETgO7p8>

