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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (March 27, 2019) Lieutenant Chuck Chapin, Fire Marshal, has advised that following his Office's investigation the cause of the fire has been ruled accidental.

TEN DISPLACED IN RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (March 26, 2019) Suffolk Fire & Rescue units responded this evening to a residential structure fire in the 100 block of Halifax Street in downtown Suffolk.

Emergency Communications was contacted at 8:19 p.m. and the first unit arrived on scene at 8:23 p.m.

Battalion Chief Dave Harrell advised that firefighters found heavy smoke upon arrival at the two-story residence. The occupants had evacuated prior to their arrival. Firefighters were able to confine the fire to the second floor.

Responding units included Engines 1, 2, 3 and 4, Ladders 3 and 6, Battalions 1 and 2, Medic 3, Rescue 1, and EMS-1.

There were no injuries. The fire was called under control at 8:43 p.m. A total of 10 people have been displaced and will be assisted by the American Red Cross, including 7 children and 3 adults.

Suffolk Police provided traffic control and the roadway in the immediate area was closed during the response to the incident.

The Fire Marshal's Office will be investigating the cause of the fire.

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