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FIRE DESTROYS REFUSE TRUCK

SUFFOLK, Virginia (November 24, 2020) Suffolk Fire & Rescue crews responded earlier this morning, Tuesday, November 24, 2020, to a fire in the 200 block of Jonathans Way involving a Suffolk Public Works refuse truck.

Emergency Communications received the call at 11:36 a.m. and the first units arrived on scene at 11:45 a.m. in the Applewood neighborhood.

Upon arrival firefighters found the refuse truck fully involved. Two passenger vehicles parked in a nearby driveway, as well as an adjacent residence, also sustained heat damage as a result of the fire. Firefighters extinguished the fire on site and the truck was transported to the Regional Landfill to offload the remaining debris, where crews ensured it was fully extinguished. There were no injuries.

Responding units included Engines 1, 6, and 9; Ladder 6, Rescue 1, Battalion 1, Tanker 9, Medic 9, Safety 1, and Car 1. The Fire Marshal's Office will be investigating the cause of the fire. Engines 1, 4, and 6; Ladder 6, Medic 6, Safety 1, Battalion 1, and EMS-1. The Fire Marshal's Office will be investigating the cause of the fire.

Suffolk Police provided traffic control and the roadway in the immediate area was closed for an extended period of time during the response.

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