

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE _____

May 7, 2021



Contact:

Diana L. Klink

Office: 757.514.4104

Mobile: 757.359.1845

Tim Kelley

Office: 757.514.4103

Mobile: 757.871.3039

UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (May 7, 2021) The Suffolk Fire Marshal's Office advises that following their investigation of the residential structure fire that occurred on Bank Street the evening of May 5, 2021, a cause has been determined.

Battalion Chief Chris Cornwell, Fire Marshal, identified the origin to have been the kitchen range stovetop. The cause was accidental and resulted due to the stove being inadvertently turned on prior to the occupant leaving the residence.

FIREFIGHTERS RESPOND TO RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE – BANK STREET

SUFFOLK, VA (May 5, 2021) Suffolk Fire & Rescue units responded earlier this evening, Wednesday, May 5, 2021, to a residential structure fire in the 300 block of Bank Street in Downtown Suffolk.

Emergency Communications was contacted at 6:20 p.m., and the first unit arrived on scene at 6:23 p.m.

First arriving units found the fire confined to the kitchen area of the 1st floor apartment. No occupants were home at the time of the fire, and it is unknown at this time as to how many persons resided at the residence and are displaced.

There were no injuries. The fire was called under control at 6:34 p.m.

Responding units included Battalion 1; Engines 1, 2, 3, and 4; Ladders 3 and 6; Safety 1; Medic 1; Rescue 1; and EMS1.

Suffolk Police also responded and the roadway was briefly closed.

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

###