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BUSY EVENING FOR SUFFOLK FIREFIGHTERS

SUFFOLK, VA (December 11, 2014) It was a busy evening for Suffolk firefighters as they responded to three separate incidents within a two hour timeframe.

Emergency Communications received the first call at 4:17 p.m. advising of a residential structure fire in the 6600 block of Everets Road in the rural Chuckatuck borough. The first units were on scene at 4:25 p.m. Upon arrival firefighters from the Chuckatuck Volunteer Fire Department found heavy smoke showing from the second floor of the two-story farmhouse with all occupants out of the residence. The fire was under control at 5:04 p.m. A total of 8 people, including 1 child, have been displaced as a result of the fire and are being helped by family. There were no injuries.

Responding units included Engine 29, Tanker 9, Engine 6, Ladder 6, Battalion 2, Rescue 1, Medic 9A, EMS, Tanker 1 and the Fire Marshal. Suffolk Fire & Rescue firefighters assisted the crew from the Chuckatuck Volunteer Fire Department. The Fire Marshal's Office is investigating the cause of the fire.

Emergency Communications then received a call at 6:01 p.m. advising of a residential structure fire in the 200 block of Stowe Drive in the Riverfront/Harbourview area of northern Suffolk. The first units were on scene at the two-story residence at 6:12 p.m. and found an odor of smoke throughout the residence with the fire contained behind a wall in

the residence. The fire was contained and called under control at 6:45 p.m. No residents were displaced and there were no injuries.

Responding units included Engine 25, Ladder 5, Medic 5A, Engine 5, Battalion 2, Engine 10, EMS and the Fire Marshal. The Fire Marshal's Office is also investigating the cause of this fire.

Emergency Communications then received a call at 6:27 p.m. advising of a residential structure fire in the 6700 block of Chambers Lane in the Burbage Grant neighborhood. The first units were on scene at 6:37 p.m. and found light smoke showing with the single occupant outside. The fire was confined to the kitchen and was under control at 6:49 p.m. The fire was ruled accidental due to unattended cooking. The occupant was displaced and is staying with friends. There were no injuries.

Responding units included Engines 2, 3, 6 and 10, Medic 10A, Ladder 3, EMS and the Fire Marshal.

Battalion 1 assisted Battalion 2 throughout the series of incidents by sending units to cover the northern Suffolk area while other units were on scene at the various calls for service.

Suffolk Police provided traffic control and security at the various locations.

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