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FAMILY OF FOUR DISPLACED IN RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (November 24, 2017) Suffolk Fire & Rescue crews responded this afternoon to a residential structure fire in the 700 block of Manning Bridge Road.

Emergency Communications received the call at 1:29 p.m. and the first units arrived on scene at the rural area at 1:36 p.m.

Battalion Chief Chuck Knight advised that upon arrival firefighters found a single story residence with heavy smoke showing. Firefighters were able to knock the fire down relatively quickly. Fire damage was confined to the attic space and the exterior wall at the rear of the home. The residents of the home had evacuated prior to the arrival of firefighters.

The family of four was displaced, and they are receiving assistance from the American Red Cross. There were no injuries.

Responding units included Engines 1, 2 and 4, Ladder 6, Rescue 1, Tankers 1 and 7, Battalions 1 and 2, Medic 1, EMS-1, and Safety 1. Staff from the Chuckatuck Volunteer Fire Department and Engine 29 backfilled Fire Station 1 during the response.

Suffolk Police provided traffic control and a portion of Manning Bridge Road was closed from approximately the 600 block and at Manning Road.

The fire was called under control at 2:12 p.m. The cause of the fire is undetermined at this time, and the Fire Marshal's Office will be handling the investigation.

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