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### **SUFFOLK FIRE & RESCUE RESPOND TO REPORT OF RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE – MAPLE STREET**

SUFFOLK, VA (January 11, 2018) Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded to a report of a possible residential structure fire in the 100 block of Maple Street this afternoon, Thursday, January 11, 2018. Emergency Dispatchers were notified of the incident at 2:38 p.m.

Suffolk Fire & Rescue Battalion Chief Dave Harrell noted that the first unit arrived on the scene at 2:41 p.m. to find the second floor unit with smoky conditions and all occupants out of the home. Fire & Rescue personnel found an overheating issue with a multi-outlet electrical plug. Crews had to open up a wall to determine if the issue had spread but there was no extension found. The residents, 3 adults and 3 children, are displaced due to the power having to be turned off to the residence and are receiving assistance from the American Red Cross. Dominion Power responded to the scene and worked to coordinate with an electrician to attempt to expedite repairs. There were no injuries to the occupants or fire personnel.

Battalion 1, Engine 3, Ladder 3, Medic 3, Engine 2, Engine 1, EMS 1, Rescue 1, Safety 1 and Fire Marshal 1 responded to the incident.

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