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FAMILY OF SIX DISPLACED IN DUPLEX FIRE

SUFFOLK, VA (July 18, 2018) Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded earlier this morning to the scene of a residential structure fire in the 1800 block of White Marsh Road. Emergency Communications received the call at 9:13 a.m. and the first units arrived on scene in the rural area at 9:19 a.m.

Battalion Chief Demitri Wilson advised that upon arrival at the single story duplex firefighters found light smoke showing from the front entrance of one unit of the duplex. The occupants had evacuated prior to the arrival of firefighters.

The fire was restricted to the kitchen and was quickly brought under control however there was moderate smoke damage to the rest of the residence. Two adults and four children have been displaced as a result of the fire and are being assisted by the American Red Cross. The other unit of the duplex was not affected.

Responding units included Engines 1, 2 and 3, Ladder 3, Rescue 1, Tanker 1, Battalion 1, Safety 1, EMS-1, Medic 3 and the Fire Marshal.

The Fire Marshal's Office will be handling the investigation.

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