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## **UPDATE**

SUFFOLK, VA (July 22, 2017) A total of three adults and one child were displaced as a result of the fire. The American Red Cross will be providing assistance to the family.

The Suffolk Fire Marshal's Office determined the cause of the fire was a lightning strike.

### **SUFFOLK FIRE & RESCUE RESPOND TO RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE**

SUFFOLK, VA (July 22, 2017) Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded to a residential structure fire in the 300 block of Festival Court this afternoon. Emergency Dispatchers were notified of the incident at 5:25 p.m.

Suffolk Fire & Rescue Captain James Broglin noted the first fire unit arrived on the scene at 5:32 p.m. and found heavy smoke showing from the home. Crews found heavy fire in the attic and were able to knock down the fire and keep it contained to the attic area. The fire was marked under control at 6:07 p.m. There were two adults home at the time of the fire. Fire crews searched the home and were able to safely locate the family's cat. There were no injuries to the occupants or fire personnel.

The residents of the home are displaced as a result of the fire and will be staying with neighbors.

Battalion 1 and 2, Engines 1, 4, and 6, EMS 1, Medic 6A and 9A, Ladder 3 and 6, Rescue 1, and Rehab 6 responded to the incident.

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

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