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PRESS RELEASE

MUSCATINE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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MUSCATINE MOBILE HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE TUESDAY

No injuries reported; smoke alarms were activated by fire in kitchen

MUSCATINE, Iowa – No injuries were reported but a Muscatine mobile home may be a total loss following a fire Tuesday (April 2) night.

The Muscatine Joint Communications Center (MUSCOM) received a 911 call at 7:16 p.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, of a kitchen fire in a single family mobile home at 46 Albany Park, Muscatine.

Fire crews found smoke coming from a side window upon arrival, initiated a fire attack, and “knocked down” the main body of fire. Fire crews then continued to overhaul the rest of the residence to ensure the fire was completely out.

Fire damaged about half of the structure with smoke damage throughout the rest. The on scene investigation indicated that the fire started in the kitchen, and that smoke detectors were present and did activate. Direct fire and smoke loss estimate is approximately \$25,000. The American Red Cross was called to the scene to assist the residents of the building.



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There were no injuries to responders or bystanders.

The Muscatine Fire Department was assisted by the Fruitland Volunteer Fire Department and the Muscatine Police Department. Approximately 18 fire fighters responded to the fire, including some off duty personnel.

About the Muscatine Fire Department: The Muscatine Fire Department provides fire and emergency medical services, rescues (high angle, rope, water, etc.), building inspections, and public education for the City of Muscatine, and the surrounding unincorporated areas of Muscatine County with a combined population of 43,000 across 145 square miles while also providing HAZMAT for Muscatine, Louisa, Washington, Keokuk, and Henry counties. MFD firefighters and paramedics responded to 5,027 calls in 2018. The Muscatine Fire Department began as a volunteer fire company on January 7, 1875 and was established as a full-time department in January 1916. The Muscatine Fire Department ambulance service received the 2012 Career Ambulance service of the Year Award from Iowa Emergency Medical Services.

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