

# CITY OF MUSCATINE

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## EXPLOSION REPORTED AT MUSCATINE RESIDENCE

*No injuries reported - investigation continues into cause of explosion*

**MUSCATINE, Iowa** – An early morning explosion at a Muscatine home on Saturday, May 10, remains under investigation. Fortunately, no injuries were reported among the occupants or responding personnel.

At approximately 6:18 a.m., the Muscatine Joint Communications Center (MUSCOM) received a 911 call reporting a loud boom and visible smoke at a residence located at 1005 East 8th Street. Similar reports were received from across the surrounding area.

When fire crews arrived on the scene, they found the residents safely outside and observed light smoke in the vicinity. Visible damage to the front door of the home appeared consistent with an explosion. Firefighters quickly cleared smoke from the interior of the residence.

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Due to the nature of the incident, the Iowa State Fire Marshal's Office was requested to assist with the investigation. Investigators remained on site until approximately 9:00 a.m. While the cause of the explosion remains under investigation, officials believe it was an isolated event. The Muscatine Fire Department is being assisted by the State Fire Marshal and the Muscatine Police Department. Preliminary fire damage is estimated at approximately \$1,000.

Fourteen firefighters from the Muscatine Fire Department responded, along with personnel from the Muscatine Police Department and the State Fire Marshal's Office.

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## About the Muscatine Fire Department

The Muscatine Fire Department (MFD) provides comprehensive fire protection, emergency medical services, technical rescues (including high-angle, rope, and water rescues), building inspections, and public education. MFD serves the City of Muscatine and surrounding unincorporated areas in Muscatine County, covering a population of approximately 43,000 across 145 square miles. The department also provides HAZMAT responses for Muscatine, Louisa, Washington, Keokuk, and Henry counties. In 2023, MFD responded to over 5,700 calls for service. Established as a full-time department in January 1916, MFD originated as a volunteer company on January 7, 1875.

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