



**Yakima Fire Department**



# **News Release**

**Subject: N. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Fire**

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## **Structure Fire on North 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue Injures One Person**

A structure fire in the 500 block of North 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue early this morning, Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, injured one person, displaced a family and caused an estimated \$100,000 in damages.

Yakima Fire Department (YFD) firefighters were called to the scene at 2:06 am Wednesday. They found a fire involving a single-family home.

Crews were told an occupant was still in the residence and immediately performed a life-saving search for him. They located and evacuated him. Emergency medical measures were performed on scene before an ambulance transported him to a local hospital for treatment of burns on his arms and hands.

Crews were able to contain the fire to half of the house. Closed doors helped minimize damage to the remainder of the house.

YFD encourages community members to close bedroom doors, especially before going to sleep. The [Fire Safety Research Institute](#) notes that closed doors can reduce fire growth, limit property damage, keep temperatures down and save lives.

A total of 17 firefighters responded. YFD crews were on scene for about two hours.

The cause of the fire is under investigation.