



# Yakima Fire Department



## **News Release**

**Subject: North 6<sup>th</sup> Street Fire**

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### **North 6<sup>th</sup> Street Fire Displaces Eight People, One Treated for Smoke Inhalation**

One person was treated for smoke inhalation and a total of eight people were displaced due to a fire involving a six-plex last night, Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.

The fire was reported at 8:10 pm last night in the 500 block of North 6<sup>th</sup> Street. *(It is the practice of the Yakima Fire Department to not release the specific address of a private home involved in a fire or other emergency response)*

The Yakima Fire Department (YFD) Battalion Chief unit arrived to find smoke from the second story of the 2-story six-plex.

All occupants were reported out of the building. The occupant of the apartment where the fire started was transported to the hospital with smoke inhalation. She was treated and released. No other injuries were reported.

YFD crews made a quick attack on the fire and had a good knock down, but found the fire had spread to the floors, walls and other spaces. Four of the six units were affected by the fire due to the adjoining walls or floor/ceiling spaces. The fire burned in these areas until fire crews were able to open up the wall or floor and extinguish it.

A second alarm was called due to the stubbornness of the fire and cold temperatures that made firefighting more difficult. Crews from the Yakima Training Center, West Valley Fire Department and Glead Fire Department assisted with extinguishing this fire.

Crews were on scene for approximately three hours. The cause is under investigation

Damage was extensive throughout the six-plex, and the initial dollar loss is estimated to be \$200,000.

The Red Cross is assisting eight occupants displaced by the fire.

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