



## NEWS RELEASE

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Run No. 1584

The Portage Department of Public Safety Dispatch Center received a 9-1-1 call at approximately 01:56 p.m. on June 18, reporting a house fire at 718 Southland. Upon arrival, the first fire engine reported heavy smoke coming from the structure. The home was occupied at the time by two adults and four children, who had exited safely prior to our arrival. A resident reported that the fire was in the basement of the tri-level home.

Firefighters were able to access the basement through an outside lower level door and extinguished the fire. Loss to the structure is estimated at \$75,000.00 and \$25,000.00 to contents. There were no reported injuries. The fire remains under investigation at this time.

Portage firefighters were assisted at the scene by the Oshtemo and Texas Fire Departments, Pride Care Ambulance, and Portage Police. Comstock Fire Department assisted with station manning.

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