



NEWS RELEASE

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Date: June 18, 2020
Case No. 20-1896

On June 18, 2020, at 8:30 PM, the Portage Department of Public Safety – Fire Division was dispatched for a residential structure fire in the 2000 block of Winters Drive in Portage. Upon arrival on the scene, crews encountered a two story residential home with heavy smoke coming from the front door. All residents were outside the structure and once it was verified that no one else was inside, crews made entry into the home and located a fire in the basement. The fire was extinguished within twenty minutes.

The Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety, Portage Police Division, Pride Care Ambulance, American Red Cross, and Consumers Energy assisted on the scene. Comstock, Texas, and Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety provided station coverage during the incident. There were no reported injuries and the estimated fire loss is valued at \$50,000. The cause and origin of the fire remains under investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Portage Department of Public Safety at 329-4567 or Silent Observer at 343-2100, www.kalamazoosilentobserver.com.

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