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Apartment Fire

15B Dundee Quarter, Palatine, IL

Incident # 20-07237

December 23, 2020

08:33 a.m.

On Wednesday, December 23, 2020, at 08:33 a.m., the Palatine Fire Department responded to a fire coming from the roof of 15B Dundee Quarter in Palatine. While en route, the alarm was upgraded due to multiple phone calls of fire showing through the roof. The first Palatine Fire Department crews arrived on the scene at 08:37 a.m. The first arriving engine initiated a transitional attack while other members stretched a hose line to the third floor. Once inside, they found heavy fire conditions throughout the entire attic. Multiple crews were used to deploy two additional hose lines and pull the ceiling to expose the fire. Holes were cut from the exterior into the mansard roof to help extinguish the fire. The fire was declared under control at 09:38 a.m. A total of eleven units were damaged from fire, smoke and water. Firefighters continued to perform ventilation, overhaul, and investigative activities for some time after that.

No civilians or firefighters were injured in the fire. Damage estimates are not available at the time of this release. The cause of the fire is still under investigation at this time. Eleven units were left uninhabitable and Red Cross was on the scene to help displaced residents.

The emergency response brought 34 firefighters staffing five engines, two aerial devices, four ambulances, and one rescue squad which responded to the scene along with seven Command Officers. During the incident, a unit from the Fox River Grove Fire Protection District stood by in a Palatine fire station to provide coverage for any additional calls. Palatine Police Officers assisted with evacuation and controlled traffic at the scene.

The Palatine Fire Department reminds everyone that working smoke alarms save lives. Make sure that your smoke alarms are tested monthly and are less than 10 years old. For more information on fire safety visit www.palatine.il.us or www.NFPA.org.

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