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STRUCTURE FIRE

1100 E Randville Dr.

Incident # 2233

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On Saturday, April 14, 2018, at 7:36 p.m., the Palatine Fire Department responded to a report of a multi-family fire with people trapped at 1100 E Randville Dr. in Palatine. The first fire crews arrived on the scene at 7:39 p.m. and reported nothing showing from a 3 story multi-family structure. Upon investigation, the first-in fire companies found smoke throughout the second floor and a fire in unit 208. They were able to extinguish the fire with multiple extinguishers. While fire extinguishment was in progress, other firefighters stretched a supply line to a fire hydrant and prepared to pull a hose line if necessary. Additional fire crews searched the building for any trapped occupants. The fire was declared under control at 7:58 p.m. Firefighters continued to ventilate smoke for some time after that.

No civilians or firefighters were injured in the fire. One apartment was left uninhabitable, displacing two residents. Damage estimates are not available at the time of this release and the fire remains under investigation by Palatine Fire Department investigators.

The fire was fought by twenty two firefighters, staffing four engines, one ladder truck, one rescue squad and three ambulances which responded to the scene along with three command officers and two Fire Investigators. Units from the Arlington Heights Fire Department were among the initial responders to the scene as part of an automatic aid agreement. During the incident, an ambulance from the Long Grove Fire Department stood by in a Palatine fire station to provide coverage for any additional calls. Palatine Police officers assisted at the scene with traffic and crowd control.

The Palatine Fire Department reminds everyone to have working smoke detectors in their homes, whether a single-family dwelling, apartment or condo. Have an escape plan, practice it, and be prepared to use it in the event of any fire.

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