

PRESS RELEASE

City of Visalia Fire Department

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2-Alarm Fire Damages Two Homes in Visalia

On Friday, April 15, 2022, at 9:59 PM, the Visalia Fire Department was dispatched to a Residential Structure Fire in the 900 block of S. Liberty. Upon the arrival of the first fire unit, they found a single story, single family residence, fully involved in fire, with additional residential exposures on both sides. Fire crews began to attack the fire and found that a second residential structure was on fire. A Second Alarm was called, bringing additional fire apparatus and crews. All residents had evacuated the homes and fire crews focused on protecting additional residential exposure. The fire was brought under control in approximately one hour. Fire crews were faced with substantial mop-up and overhaul due to the damage to the structures. The fire caused an estimated \$355,000 in damage. There were no injuries to civilians or fire department personnel. The cause of the fire is under investigation at this time. Six fire engines, two ladder trucks, two chief officers, and one fire marshal responded to the incident with a total of 27 personnel. Cal Fire assisted at the fire with one fire engine and Tulare County Fire Department provided two fire engines to cover City of Visalia fire stations during the incident.

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