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***Press Release***

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**2 FIRES IN MODESTO**

**Modesto City Firefighters responded to a structure fire at 7:11pm today (7/3/14). A large dumpster was on fire and had extended to the wood panels that covered a large door opening. The building was a large vacant one story, in the 700 block of I Street Downtown, which is known for having homeless inside. The interior of the building was full of smoke but fire crews were able to extinguish the fire quickly and keep it from extending. The building was searched and no one was found inside. Damage estimates were put at \$10,000.**

**At 11:07pm Modesto City Firefighters were dispatched to a house fire in the 700 block of Kazmir Ct. A fire had started in tall weeds in the backyard and spread to the vacant house. The fire did extend into the attic and flames were seen 20 feet above the roof line. Crews were able to make entry and after pulling down the lath and plaster ceilings, extinguished the fire. Damage to the house was estimated to be \$80,000. The exact cause of the fire is still under investigation.**

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