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Home Kitchen Fire Displaces Six

Modesto - At 11:06 this morning, a working structure fire response was dispatched to 407 Norwegian Ave. Engine 5 was first on scene and found a single story house with light smoke emanating from the front door and roof vents. Upon investigation they found a fire burning in the kitchen. The first arriving captain laid out the first alarm assignment and began an "Offensive Fire Attack." Engine 5 and Engine 3 attacked the fire and were successful in making a quick knock down of the fire. On scene time was at 11:09. The fire was declared under control at 11:14. Other responding fire companies provided search, ventilation and a Rapid Intervention Crew.

The cause of the fire was determined to be accidental and was started by an unattended frying pan on the stove. The fire was primarily confined to the kitchen. Smoke spread into the attic and throughout the house. No injuries were reported combating the fire. A family of 2 adults and 4 children were displaced due to the fire making the home uninhabitable. The American Red Cross was requested to the scene to provide assistance for the displaced. Initial fire damage estimates place the loss at \$26,000.00 structural loss with \$5,000.00 content loss. 22 firefighters responded to the scene along with 4 Engines and 1 Truck company.

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