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***Press Release***

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## **Residential Structure Fire**

On April 16, 2014, at 6:22 am, Modesto Regional Fire units responded to a house fire in the 300 block of Leon Avenue in West Modesto. The first fire engine arrived in less than 4 minutes and observed heavy fire conditions inside the single story structure on the rear of the property with fire extending to an adjacent fence and another structure. Fire crews engaged in an aggressive attack to prevent the further spread of the fire and to contain it to the original structure. A 2<sup>nd</sup> alarm was requested due to the advanced and heavy fire conditions and early reports from neighbors that the occupants of the residence may still be inside. The fire brought a response of 7 engine companies, 2 truck companies and 3 command officers to the scene with a total of 34 firefighters. Firefighters were able to extinguish the blaze in 30 minutes. After searching the building it was determined that no one was home at the time of the fire and no injuries were reported. The damage to the structure and the contents is estimated to be \$75,000 damage. The cause is currently under investigation.

*The Modesto Regional Fire Authority would like to remind everyone that working smoke detectors save lives. For further information please contact Division Chief Sean Slamon at 209-552-3723*