



SHREVEPORT FIRE

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Ronald C. Mulford, Fire Chief

January 11, 2013 - Shreveport Police Officers Assist in Fire Rescue

SPD arrives on scene to assist home owners

The early morning house fire that occurred at 356 East 81st Street was called in by Shreveport Police officers patrolling during their normal shift. The call came in at 2:52 am to Police Dispatch and was transferred to SFD where units were dispatched at 2:53 am.

Prior to Fire Department arrival, Sergeants James Germain and Steve Arnold, Corporal Jason Saiz and Dan Sawyer, and Officers Nathaniel Tavarez and Nathaniel James were on scene and assisted with the rescue that occurred at the home. Their actions included breaking down the front door and notifying the occupants the home was on fire. They assisted one 50 year old male and one 84 year old female in escaping the home through that same front door.

Additionally, officers on scene directed the crew members from Fire Engine Nine that another disabled elderly male was trapped in back bedroom. The officer had already raised the window on the bedroom. E-9 Captain Kenneth Frazier directed his crew to attack the fire in the kitchen and then he entered the bedroom window, wrapped the elderly gentlemen in his bedding and transferred him out the window to SPD Officers and crew members from Rescue Nine.

It is the selfless acts of these public safety officers from our combined departments that work together to see a positive outcome from this near tragic event. Fire Chief Craig Mulford said, "The heroic acts of these officers led to the saving of three lives that could have been lost. We honor and thank them for their efforts." These officers will be recognized formally on a later date.