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SHREVEPORT FIREFIGHTERS EXTINGUISH BLAZE IN UPSTAIRS APARTMENT

Shreveport Fighters responded to the 2700 BLK. of Waggoner Ave. at the Centrum Apartments this afternoon for a reported fire in an upstairs unit. The fire was reported at 2:43 PM by one of the occupants of the upstairs apartment, which escaped through a bedroom window. Fire units from Fire Station 15 arrived on the scene at 2:46 PM and reported heavy fire coming from an upstairs apartment. Fire crews were able to confirm that all occupants had escaped the apartment and quickly contained the fire to a bedroom. Additional fire crews ensured the adjacent apartments were clear of fire and occupants.

Two apartment units were affected by the fire; the unit where the fire started had heat and smoke damage throughout. The apartment below the upstairs unit sustained water damage also. The situation was placed under control at 3:05 PM. There were 12 – Fire Units and 31 – Firefighters dispatched to the fire. No injuries were reported from the occupants or firefighters. The origin and cause of the fire are under investigation by Shreveport Fire Investigators.

The American Red Cross and Apartment Management are working with displaced families to secure lodging and provide essentials. The occupants of the surrounding units were allowed to return to their apartments. ###SFD###