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Occupant Safe After House Fire

On Friday, February 23, 2024, at 11:01 AM, the Shreveport Fire Department received a 911 call reporting a house on fire in the 400 block of Joanna Drive. Engine 9 arrived on scene within four (4) minutes and reported smoke emitting from the eaves and side of a one-story residential structure.

One occupant was home at the time of the fire. They stated seeing smoke inside a hallway and were able to safely exit outside prior to the fire department's arrival. There was one smoke alarm installed inside the home, but the occupant was unable to recollect if it activated.

It took the efforts of twenty-one (21) firefighters operating eight (8) units to bring the fire under control at 11:18 AM. No injuries to citizens or firefighters were reported. The official cause of the fire and full extent of the damage remains under investigation.

As a reminder, every home should have smoke alarms installed on each level and in the immediate vicinity of all bedrooms. Additionally, alarms should be tested monthly to ensure proper function.

To Shreveport Fire Department provides free smoke alarms for citizens and can help in the development of a home fire escape plan. To request a free smoke alarm, visit www.shreveportfire.org or contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at 318-673-6740.

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