



# SHREVEPORT FIRE

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### **Shreveport Fire Responds to a Residential Duplex House Fire in the 300 Block of Rear Topeka St. in the Highland Neighborhood**

On Thursday, October 10, 2024, Shreveport Fire Department Crews were dispatched at 10:13 PM to reports of a Residential Duplex on fire in the 300 block of R. Topeka St. located in the Highland Neighborhood. The 911 call was placed by a nearby neighbor that saw smoke and flames coming from the unit on the second floor.

Shreveport Fire crew from Station #5 was first on scene to a two story, wood-frame structure duplex at approximately 10:16 PM. Captain Joshua Oden on Engine #5 reported smoke and flames visible from the second-floor duplex unit. Engine #5 went in on fire attack and attempted to extinguish the fire. The fire was contained to just one unit and no other units received any damage from the fire.

It took the efforts of 16 Shreveport Fire Units – 34 Firefighters, support personnel, and Signal 51 – to place this fire under control within 6 minutes after arriving on scene. There were no injuries to any Shreveport Firefighters or citizens in this incident. The occupants of the structure were not at home during the time of the fire.

The nature and cause of the fire is currently under investigation by the Shreveport Fire Investigation Office.

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