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PRESS RELEASE

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Shreveport Fire Department Responds to Residential Fire on East Topeka Street

The Shreveport Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire on Sunday, November 30, 2025, in the 100 block of East Topeka Street. The incident was reported to the Caddo 911 Dispatch Center at approximately 12:40 PM by one of the homeowners after discovering the fire.

Fire units arrived on scene within minutes, reaching the location at approximately 12:43 PM. The first-arriving crews reported heavy smoke and flames showing from all sides of a one-story, wood-frame residence. A total of 12 units, staffed by 36 Shreveport Fire Department personnel, worked diligently to bring the fire under control. The blaze was officially contained at approximately 12:58 PM.

In a remarkable act of bravery, one resident of the home played a crucial role in ensuring the safety of his family. He alerted and assisted all three remaining family members—including a disabled individual—out of the burning structure before firefighters arrived. He was treated on scene for minor burns and smoke inhalation. According to the homeowners, all pets, including both dogs and cats, successfully escaped the fire as well.

There were no reported smoke detectors inside the residence at the time of the incident. Fortunately, no additional injuries were reported among the family members, and no Shreveport Firefighters were harmed during the response. The residents of the structure were directed to the American Red Cross and other agencies for assistance while dealing with this disaster.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation by the Shreveport Fire Department's Fire Investigation. ###



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