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## House fire results in substantial damage, no injuries

At 11:40 am on February 22, 2019, the Faribault Fire Department, Faribault Police Department, and North Memorial Ambulance responded to a house fire at 1811 7<sup>th</sup> St. NW in Faribault, Minnesota. Light brown smoke was observed coming from the structure by initial crews. The homeowner was at home at the time of the fire and ran to a neighbor's home to call 911.

Fire crews made a quick knock down of the fire as they were informed that there were no people in the structure. The fire was contained to the room of origin but extensive heat and smoke damage affected the entire structure. Crews spent a lot of time in overhaul mode to ensure that the fire was completely out.

The State Fire Marshal's Office was contacted and an investigator did respond to assist with a cause and origin investigation. At this time, the cause fire is considered under investigation.

Fire Chief Dustin Dienst commented, "The occupant of the home is very lucky to have not sustained an injury, or worse, as a result of this fire".