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ADAMS COUNTY FIRE RESPONDS TO STRUCTURE FIRE

ACFR responds to structure fire at 7900 block of Marion Circle

DENVER, Colo. – At approximately 2:45 p.m. on Monday May 7, Adams County Fire Rescue was dispatched to the 7900 block of Marion Circle when a home owner called 9-1-1 to report a structure fire. The first unit arrived at 2:47 p.m. and saw a house with smoke coming from the front windows of the second floor. Firefighters began to simultaneously fight the fire and look for people inside.

Because the home owners had self-evacuated, firefighters continued to fight the fire. Crews knocked down the fire at approximately 3 p.m. Firefighters were able to contain the fire to one bedroom. Approximately 65% of the house was undamaged, saving the homeowner approximately \$168,000. The cause and origin of the fire are under investigation.

There were no injuries to firefighters. A total of four units and 11 firefighters from Adams County Fire Rescue responded to the incident. Federal Heights Fire, North Metro Fire and Westminster Fire assisted with an additional four units and nine firefighters. Adams County Sheriffs, Adams County Building Inspections, Xcel Energy and the American Red Cross also assisted with the incident.

At this incident, the home owner attempted to fight the fire with a fire extinguisher. ACFR would like to remind the public that portable fire extinguishers can save lives and property by putting out small fires. But the public should always know how and **when** to properly use a portable fire extinguisher, whether at home or work. But in a structure fire, always call 9-1-1 first, evacuate as quickly as possible and stay out until firefighters arrive. Only firefighters have the equipment and protective gear to fight a structure fire.

To request help with a home evacuation plan or get fire extinguisher training, please visit www.acfpd.org.

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