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City of Visalia Fire Department

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Fire Damages One Unit of a Single-Story Triplex In Visalia

At 1:19 P.M. on Saturday, July 23, 2022, one engine from Visalia Fire personnel was initially dispatched to possible electrical outlet fire with some type of explosion, but with no fire on the 1300 block of South Nancy Street. Upon arrival the first engine reported smoke still inside the residence and requested a full first alarm assignment. It was confirmed that the occupants were all out of the house, so a quick fire attack was set up and made through the front door. The fire was contained to the hall bathroom of the residence. The unit next door was checked for extension, and none was found.

Three engines, one truck, and one Chief Officer responded to the incident for a total of 13 personnel.

Two occupants were checked out for smoke inhalation, but they did not need medical attention. There was an estimated $25,000 in damage to the structure and there was approximately $15,000 in damage to the contents in the building. The value of the property saved was approximately $545,000. The cause of the fire is undetermined and under investigation, the fire originated in the bathroom inside the residence.

Approved By: Darrin Hughes, Battalion Chief