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## Attic Fire Damages Central Visalia Home

At 9:21 A.M. on Sunday, March 19, 2023, personnel from the Visalia Fire Department were dispatched to a residential structure fire in the 1600 block of South Clark Street. Upon arrival the first fire unit reported no fire showing from the exterior, but moderate smoke was reported coming from the attic vents and exhaust pipes. The first crew went inside to make sure all the occupants were removed from the house. Once all of the occupants were outside fire crews went back inside and started to check the attic area for extension. Another fire crew went on top of the roof to assist with extensive overhaul which had to be completed to make sure that there was no attic insulation still smoldering.

Three engines, one truck, one Chief Officer, and one Fire Marshal responded to the incident for a total of 14 personnel.

The cause of the fire is undetermined and under investigation. The fire caused approximately \$30,000 in property damage and \$10,000 in damage to the contents.

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