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Early Morning Fire Damages Three Homes

At 06:08 this morning, the Modesto Regional Fire Authority and Stanislaus Fire Protection District responded to a report of a structure fire at 816 Kerr Ave in the Airport district of Modesto. The first unit arrived on scene within 4 minutes and found one home well involved with fire with a second home starting on fire. A second alarm was called and the total response brought 5 Engines, 3 Trucks, and 2 Chief Officers. In all, three homes suffered damage and one was a total loss. The home at 818 suffered moderate damage and the home at 814 suffered light damage to siding. Crews were faced with extreme fire conditions and operated aggressively in saving the surrounding homes. The fire was brought under control within 30 minutes. The home at 816 Kerr was occupied and everyone was able to escape outside without injury. Unfortunately, several dogs perished inside the fire and damage to the home was severe. No firefighters were injured in the blaze and the cause is still under investigation. The damage is estimated at \$100,000.

The Modesto Regional Fire Authority would like to remind citizens to check their smoke detectors monthly and replace the batteries once a year.