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The Modesto Regional Fire Authority with assistance from Ceres Fire battled a fire in a vacant single story house in south Modesto this morning. The fire was reported at 1101 Alamo Ave. at 7:22am and the first fire engine arrived in less than 5 minutes. 22 firefighters battled the blaze and brought it under control in 10 minutes. The fire damaged the majority of the house, damage is estimated at approximately $25,000 and the cause appears to be suspicious. No injuries were reported.

The Modesto Regional Fire Authority would like to remind everyone to test their smoke detectors monthly.