

NEWS RELEASE

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Second Structure Fire Over Weekend Keeps Nanaimo Fire Rescue Crews Busy

One resident sent to hospital, Two Displaced

Summary

Crews arrived on scene at the 1600 block of Bowen Road to find heavy flames showing on the front side of a duplex. Crews did a quick knockdown and preliminary search. All residents were out of the building. During their search they did find a dog in the upstairs bedroom which they rescued and it was transported to the Animal Emergency Clinic by the RCMP.

Firefighters were able to contain the fire to unit of origin while keeping the fire from spreading to other duplex blocks that were nearby. One resident was taken to hospital with smoke inhalation and the others were checked out by BCAS and determined to be fine. Two were displaced and received assistance through the City of Nanaimo Community Assistance Program. The remaining residents were able to stay in their units.

Strategic Link: The City of Nanaimo is committed to Public Safety.

Key Points

- Nanaimo Fire Rescue Crews were able to contain unit to unit of origin.
- Two people displaced and one dog rescued.
- One resident taken to hospital with minor smoke inhalation.

Quotes

"Nanaimo Fire Rescue worked quickly to contain the fire to the unit involved at the duplex while providing for the safety and well being of all the residents and public throughout the incident. Their efforts in containing it to the unit of origin allowed the others to return to their homes."

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