



P R E S S R E L E A S E

Type and Description of Incident / Fire:

The Derry Fire Communications Center received several 911 calls at 0149 hours from the occupants and neighbors of 35 Scenic Drive reporting that the residence was on fire. The initial address reported was 33 Scenic Dr. and the corrected address of the incident was 35 Scenic Drive, a duplex style structure. Initial reports from callers were that the occupants in 35R could be trapped in the building.

Derry Engines 2,3 and 4, as well as Car 1 were dispatched to the address. Medic 1 and Engine 1 were responding to a medical call that occurred simultaneously with the structure fire, Engine 1 was diverted to the fire. Tanker 1 was not staffed.

On arrival, Engine 3 reported 50% involvement of the structure, involving all three floors on the left side, and proceeded to deploy handlines and aggressively attack the fire from the exterior of the structure. Engine 1 was second to arrive on scene and immediately began a primary search of the right side of the duplex. Bystanders were interviewed and reported that all occupants of both sides were accounted for. The primary search of the right side was completed and confirmed that the occupants had evacuated prior to our arrival. Fire attack efforts continued but were hampered by heavy fire conditions in the left side of the duplex on the basement, first and second floors as well as the attic. The Engine 1 crew breached the ceiling on the right side of the structure and used a hoseline to keep the fire from spreading to that occupancy. After the majority of the fire had been knocked down, crews were able to assess the structural stability of the left side and were able to enter and extinguish the remaining fire.

Mutual aid was received from Auburn, Chester, Hampstead, Londonderry, Sandown and Windham at the scene. Station Coverage was provided by Raymond, Manchester, Salem and Hudson.

Eversource responded to the scene to disconnect power. The American Red Cross also responded to assist with Firefighter Rehab and to provide assistance to 6 occupants of 35 Scenic Dr. that were affected by the fire.

Damage To Property:

The occupancy listed as 35L Scenic Drive sustained severe fire damage and is considered a 100% loss. The occupancy listed as 35R scenic Dr. sustained moderate smoke and water damage.

Injuries To Fire and Non-Fire Personnel:

There were no civilian injuries. Three fire service personnel were transported to Parkland medical for injuries sustained during fire suppression activities.

Additional Remarks: A total of approximately 40 Firefighters and 17 pieces of fire apparatus were required on scene to bring the incident under control.

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PRESS RELEASE

Incident #	2016-001546	Time of Alarm	01:49
Date of Incident:	04/24/2016	Time "Under Control"	03:40
Incident Address:	35 Scenic Drive	Recall of Alarm	06:00

Fire Officer Submitting Release: Lt. Gregory Laro

Date: 04/24/2016

Signature of Fire Officer:

Chief of Department – Michael J. Gagnon

Attached Photos furnished by Paul MacCallum - Department Photographer

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