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## **St. Andrews Fire Department Responds to Morning Structure Fire off Main Road**

**Charleston, SC (February 16, 2018)**- Firefighters from St. Andrews, City of Charleston and St. Johns were dispatched to a structure fire in the 3700 block of Marshfield Road at 0239 hours.

St. Andrews' Engine 304 arrived and found heavy smoke enveloping the single family home. Crews attacked and extinguished a fire that began in the front bedroom.

One occupant was home during the time of the fire, but was able to escape. They were transported to MUSC for medical attention.

St. Andrews Fire Marshal responded to investigate the origin and cause of the fire. The fire originated from an overloaded extension cord and has been ruled accidental.

No other injuries were reported.

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St. Andrews Fire Department (SAFD), a 60 personnel career department, provides fire, rescue, and first responder services to the unincorporated area of West Ashley in Charleston County, South Carolina. The operational staff is divided into a ladder company, a rescue company, three engine companies, and a quick response vehicle (QRV) operating out of four fire stations. Each company is staffed with a minimum of three members on a daily basis under the direction of a Battalion Chief. Through a commitment of automatic aid, they assist the fire departments of North Charleston, St. John's, James Island and City of Charleston in meeting their missions on a daily basis.