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211 W McDonough St Structure Fire

MACOMB, IL

At 07:32 AM, Friday November 18, 2022, the Macomb Fire Department responded to a possible structure fire in a single-family residence at 211 W. McDonough St in Macomb. The caller reported a possible fire in her attic. The initial crew arrived on scene at 07:36 and found light smoke emitting from the roof vents. Entry was made, and the fire was located in the ceiling above the kitchen. The fire was extinguished and deemed Under Control at 07:42 AM. No injuries were reported.

The home sustained moderate damage to the kitchen area, with smoke and water damage throughout the home. The home was insured, and damages are estimated at \$6,000.

The home did not have working smoke detectors at the time of the fire.

The cause of the fire has been ruled unintentional and electrical in nature.

Five On-Duty Macomb Firefighters initially responded with an additional Five Off-Duty firefighters being called in. Thank you to McDonough County 911, Lifeguard Ambulance, Macomb Police Department, Macomb Public Works, and Ameren IL for their assistance with the call. The scene was cleared at 10:03 AM.

I would like to take this time to remind every resident that working smoke detectors are required in each bedroom, outside of each sleeping area, and on each level of the home. Working smoke detectors have been proven to save lives, and according to the National Fire Protection Agency nearly 3 out of 5 home fire deaths result from non-working or missing smoke detectors.

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