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135 W Grant Street Structure Fire

MACOMB, IL

At 11:26 A.M., Saturday, November 25th, 2023, the Macomb Fire Department was requested by the Macomb Police Department to respond to the Macomb National Guard Armory, 135 W Grant Street, for a burning odor and haze within the building. The initial crew arrived on scene at 11:30 A.M. and located a locked storage room with smoke coming from around the door. Fire command initiated a request for all off-duty Macomb Firefighters. Crews forced their way into the storage room and located a smoldering fire from electrical charging equipment and stored batteries. A Carbon Dioxide extinguisher was used, and the crews began ventilating the structure of the smoke.

No injuries to civilians or firefighters were reported.

Estimated loss at this time is approximately \$150,000.

The cause of the fire is believed to have started in the storage room and is under investigation by the Macomb Fire Department and the Illinois National Guard.

Four on-duty Macomb Firefighters initially responded with an additional four off-duty firefighters staged at the fire station. Thank you to [Macomb - McDonough County Communications Center](#), [Macomb Illinois Police Department](#), [Lifeguard Ambulance Service of Illinois](#), and the Illinois National Guard for their assistance with the incident. The scene was cleared at 2:00 P.M

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