

Sycamore Fire Department Press Release

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Incident: On April 4th, 2019 at approximately 2156 hours the Sycamore Fire Department was dispatched to 1319 Janet Street for a reported structure fire. Arriving crews found heavy fire engulfing the majority of the structure and initiated a defensive attack. The fire was brought under control in approximately 90 minutes. Crews remained on scene for approximately 2 more hours doing overhaul operations. The initial estimate of damages from the fire at 1319 Janet Street are approximated to be \$300,000 to structure and contents.

Heat from the 1319 Janet Street also damaged a neighboring house 1311 Janet Street. The initial estimate of damages at 1311 Janet Street are approximately \$50,000 to the structure.

Injuries: There were no injuries to firefighters or residents. Two individuals were evaluated by an ambulance crew on scene and refused treatment or transport to the hospital.

Assistance at Scene: The fire went to the general alarm level and assistance was received from several neighboring fire departments including DeKalb, Elburn, Genoa, Hampshire, Burlington, Cortland, Pingree Grove and Hampshire. The Sycamore Police and Public Works department also assisted. Nicor and ComEd responded to and assisted at the scene.

Cause: The cause of the fire is undetermined pending further investigation.