



City of Cottonwood Fire & Medical Department



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Cottonwood Fire & Medical Department responds to chimney fire

At 7:20 am on Monday morning, December 28, 2015, the Cottonwood Fire and Medical Department responded to a report of a chimney fire on south 17th Street between Mingus Ave. and Aspen St. Upon arrival, fire personnel found an outbuilding with a smoldering fire located in a wall behind a wood stove. The male occupant of the structure had awakened to discover smoke in the structure. The occupant and a bystander had extinguished much of the fire with a garden hose prior to fire personnel arriving on scene. The fire was fully extinguished by firefighters within 10 minutes of their arrival. Fire damage to the structure limited to the wall area behind the wood stove. Assistance was provided by Verde Valley Fire District.

As temperatures have recently cooled significantly, area residents are warned to make sure that wood fired heating appliances are in good working order and to not load the appliances with more wood than they are designed to burn safely.

For more information please contact Cottonwood Fire & Medical Department at 928-634-2741.