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North Metro Fire Responds to Two-Alarm Fire at Townhome Complex

Two occupants transported with injuries resulting from fire

Northglenn, CO — North Metro Fire Rescue District responded to a two-alarm structure fire on April 11 involving a townhome complex at 11604 Community Center Drive in Northglenn. The call came in at 8:53 p.m., and when crews arrived shortly after, the entire end unit was consumed in flames.

Five occupants were inside the home when the fire erupted and were able to evacuate on their own. Two of those occupants were transported to an area hospital for injuries they sustained from the fire. Firefighters were forced to take a defensive stance and attack the fire initially from the exterior due to safety concerns and the instability of the structure.

The fire originated in the basement and spread to the first and second floors, with multiple explosions occurring that intensified the fire. What caused the explosions is still under investigation. A firewall between the end unit and the neighboring unit helped keep the fire from spreading to the five other townhomes in the building. Residents from the building were evacuated and later able to return to their homes, except for the residents living in the townhome where the fire originated and those in the adjoining unit.

At this point, investigators are still conducting interviews and working to determine the cause of the fire. Crews from Thornton Fire Department, Westminster Fire Department and Federal Heights Fire Department responded to the fire to assist as well as the Northglenn Police Department. In total, there were 10 fire engines that responded along with four ambulances and additional command staff.

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North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue District is dedicated to providing quality service to its residents through fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and specialized rescue. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 117,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Adams, Boulder, Jefferson and Weld Counties.