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Lompoc Apartment Fire Remains Under Investigation *Structure Fire - Incident #17-1843, 118 East Hickory Ave. #A*

LOMPOC, CA, June 2, 2017– Fire units were dispatched at 8:48 p.m. on Thurs. June 1 for a structure fire with a report of fire involvement in the second floor apartment. Lompoc Engine 1, Engine 2, Rescue 1 and Battalion Chief 304 responded. Santa Barbara County Engine 51, Rescue Ambulance 51 and Vandenberg Fire also responded. Resources found a two unit, two story apartment building with fire showing from the second floor. The first firefighters who arrived made sure the apartments were evacuated, and then attacked the fire. The fire was knocked down at 8:56 p.m. Red Cross was notified to assist the displaced tenants.

Upon investigation, it was determined fire started in the kitchen area. Cause is under investigation. Fire and smoke damage was noted throughout the apartment.

The apartment had a smoke detector that was not in working condition. Working smoke detectors save lives. Occupants are fortunate this fire did not start while they were sleeping.

Damage estimate is \$60,000 to property and \$10,000 in contents.

For further information, please contact Battalion Chief Mark Bray.

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