

Contra Costa County Fire Protection District

Press Release

**Subject: Apartment Fire with Automatic Sprinkler Activation
Atlantic Circle, Pittsburg, CA**

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The Contra Costa County Fire Protection District responded to a fire in an apartment on Atlantic Circle in Pittsburg at approximately 11:25pm on Wednesday, March 9th. The incident initially came into the Fire District Communications Center as a fire alarm and was quickly upgraded to an active fire incident based on additional information received. Upon arrival, fire crews found a fire in the bedroom of a 2nd floor apartment being contained by a single sprinkler of the building's automatic fire sprinkler system. Fire crews assisted in salvage of the contents of the apartment and the unit directly below due to some water damage from the fire sprinkler activation.

The resident of the apartment where the fire occurred and the resident of the apartment directly below were displaced.

Damage was estimated at less than \$5,000 due to the fire sprinkler activation and minimal fire damage. Water damage was reduced from active salvage efforts by fire crews.

No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is under investigation.