



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Firefighters Save Home in West Linn**

TVF&R firefighters stopped a fast moving roof fire from destroying a home in West Linn tonight. Neighbors called 9-1-1 just after 7:30 p.m. Friday night after seeing smoke and flames coming from the roof of a home at 6259 Bridgeview Drive. The home's owner was inside at the time of the fire and neighbors alerted her to the fact that her roof was on fire.

Firefighters from West Linn's Bolton Station 58 and Willamette Station 59 arrived within minutes of being dispatched and quickly got to work searching for occupants in the home and working to knock down the flames. Soon, 40 firefighters from TVF&R, TVF&R's volunteer firefighters and the Lake Oswego Fire Department were on scene.

The fire was challenging for firefighters because much of the home's attic space was involved. In order to extinguish the fire, firefighters pulled multiple hoses into the structure including a two and a half inch line to knock down the flames. The home suffered significant water and smoke damage to the second floor.

The American Red Cross is assisting the homeowner. No-one was injured as a result of the fire.

A TVF&R investigator has concluded that the fire was caused by a fan in the home's attic that had overheated. Damage to the structure and contents is estimated at more than \$20,000.