



Humboldt Bay Fire News Release

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Subject : Structure Fire, 2600 Block of Sykline Drive

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At 9:31 a.m. on Friday, March 25, 2022 Humboldt Bay Fire was dispatched to report of large amounts of smoke flowing from an attached garage with no answer from anyone inside.

Humboldt Bay Fire responded with three engines, one ladder truck, and two Chief Officers and declared a working fire. The first crew in entered the home to search for residents and to contain the fire to the garage. Next, crews used a K-12 Rescue Saw to make entry into the garage through the electric garage door which wasn't operational due to fire damage occurring inside. Once inside, crews were able to extinguish the fire before it spread to the interior of the home.

There were no injuries to civilians or firefighters as a result of this fire, and fire damage to the garage as well as smoke damage to the home is estimated at \$25,000.

An investigation of the fire determined that it started in the garage as a result of fireplace ashes which were not completely cooled stored in a paper bag near combustibles.

Humboldt Bay Fire would like to thank HBF Fire Support for traffic control on scene.

Humboldt Bay Fire would also like to remind the public to soak ashes in water in metal containers outside and away from combustibles for several days until they are completely cool to the touch before disposing of them.

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