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## West Hill House Fire

**Kent, Wash. - December 20, 2016-** A woman and her two dogs escaped safely today after her house caught fire in the 26700 block of 40 Ave. S.

Firefighters from the Kent RFA and South King Fire and Rescue were dispatched initially to a small fire in a home at 2:26 pm. When they arrived, they found smoke and flames coming from the two story house and upgraded the call to a full structural response, which brought additional units.

The fire, which was mostly in the attic space, burned through the electrical line feeding the house. The disconnected wires landed on a fire engine in the street. This potentially dangerous situation forced firefighters to use a different engine to fight the fire until Puget Sound Energy was able to disconnect the power. The change of engines did not affect the outcome.

It took approximately 45 minutes to fully extinguish the flames. A strong southwesterly wind fed the fire and made it more difficult to extinguish.

Red Cross was brought in to assist the family of five that lives there. The fire is currently under investigation.

A sixteen-second video of the fire can be found on our Facebook and Twitter sites.

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