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Wood Stove Fire Damages Home

Kent, Wash. - December 22, 2015- Three people have been displaced tonight after their wood stove started a fire in the joist space between the first and second floor of their home.

Firefighters from the Kent Regional Fire Authority, Maple Valley Fire Department, and the Valley Regional Fire Authority were dispatched to the 28100 block of 134 Place SE at 9:00 pm when the residents became concerned after their wood stove began making noise and heat could be felt in the walls nearby.

No one was injured in the fire and the two adults and one child escaped on their own.

The fire started after heat ignited the joists nearest the stove's chimney. The fire is considered accidental.

The Kent Regional Fire Authority recommends that wood stoves, fireplaces, and furnaces be checked by a professional on a regular basis.

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