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Kent Apartment Fire

Kent, Wash – March 29, 2018 – Six people have been displaced after their apartment building caught fire this morning in the 10600 block of SE 264 Street. The initial call to 911 was at 9:00 am.

When Puget Sound RFA firefighters arrived, they found the first floor of the two-story apartment building engulfed in flames. They quickly attacked the fire while trying to determine whether everyone had escaped. A language barrier slowed the process, but eventually firefighters confirmed, with two searches, that no one was inside any of the affected apartments.

Although four apartments were damaged by the fire, a “fire wall” built to separate the four units from other apartments kept the fire from spreading even further. This fire-resistant wall typically extends all the way into the attic space and to the peak of the roof, keeping fire from traveling horizontally and causing more damage.

Red Cross and the apartment complex’s management are assisting the displaced residents. This complex is part of King County Housing.

The fire is currently under investigation.

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