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Heroic Rescue at 4th of July Mission St. 3-Alarm Fire

An early morning fire broke out in the 4200 block of Mission Street on the 4th of July, leaving 28 residents displaced.

The first notification of trouble came by way of someone pulling a Fire Alarm street box. Engine Company 32 and Truck Company 11 responded. Upon arrival, the Engine Officer reported a working fire at 4020 Mission Street. E32 was met by several civilians frantically reporting that there was a woman trapped inside the building.

The Officer and one of her crewmembers, without the benefit of a hose-line, forced entry into the building and crawled up the stairs in heavy smoke and heat, searching for the missing woman along the way. Finally, having reached the 2nd floor, the two located and rescued the unconscious woman.

Paramedics on the scene administered life saving medical attention and the woman who nearly lost her life regained consciousness before being transported to the hospital.

In total, three buildings suffered fire damage, leaving 28 residents displaced. Two dogs were placed with Animal Care and Control. Total estimated damages are \$1.4 million.

The cause of the fire does not appear to be suspicious but remains under investigation.

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