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Firefighters respond to structure fire early Thursday morning

Firefighters responded to a structure fire in East Hill early this morning (Thursday).

At approximately 1:00 a.m., Vernon Fire Rescue Services (VFRS) was dispatched to a report of a structure fire in the 2400-block of 25th Avenue.

Upon arrival, crews were able to confirm a room on the second floor of a two-story house was involved in flames.

Crews quickly began actioning the fire and were successful in containing it to the upstairs bedroom.

Three occupants and a pet dog were home during the fire, all of whom got out safely.

“Firefighters were able to quickly contain this fire thanks in large part to one of the children in the house who called 911 to report the fire,” said Deputy Chief Alan Hofsink. “His actions not only alerted firefighters, assisting in a quick response, but also helped to ensure his family exited the building safely.”

BC Ambulance Service attended to check the residents for smoke inhalation and Emergency Support Services (ESS) was called to assist the family.

Vernon North Okanagan RCMP also attended to help secure the scene.

An investigation into the cause of the fire will begin in the morning.

