



News Release for Colerain Fire

For Immediate Release

Date: **April 10, 2014**

Fire crews responded to the 3100 block of Deshler this morning shortly before 10:00am for the report of a vehicle fire next to a residence. As the units were responding, Hamilton County dispatchers advised that the fire had spread from the vehicle to the home. Colerain Police officers confirmed a working structure fire with flames already through the roof on their arrival.

All occupants were confirmed to be safely out of the structure. The Incident Commander called for defensive operations and to protect neighboring homes from the intense heat. Once the main body of fire in the attic was knocked down, crews entered the home to begin final extinguishment of the fire. The fire was considered under control within 20 minutes. Extensive overhaul lasted for at least another hour. A small family dog was found deceased during the overhaul operations.

The fire was determined to have started in the vehicle parked approximately 5 feet from the house. The fire appeared to be electrical in nature as the owner told investigators he was having some electrical issues with his vehicle. The strong winds contributed to driving the fire from the vehicle and into the structure.

The house and vehicle are total losses with estimates in excess of \$50,000. Colerain fire crews were assisted on scene by Forest Park crews. Representatives from the American Red Cross were on scene assisting the family.

Questions or inquiries into this incident may be directed to either Public Information Officer: Captain Steve Conn at 513-615-8698, sconn@colerain.org, Captain Darian Edwards at 513-623-0078, dedwards@colerain.org or Robert Rielage at rrielage@colerain.org.



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