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Western Springs Fire Department Quickly Extinguishes Early Morning Garage Fire

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WESTERN SPRINGS, IL. September 20, 2021. The Western Springs Fire Department was dispatched by the Lyons Township Area Communication Center (LTACC) at 12:30 am on Sunday, September 19, 2021 for a general alarm for the report of smoke and fire in a single-family residence in the 4800 block of Wolf Road in Western Springs.

The alarm was received via a 911 call from the homeowner who reportedly had been awakened by activated smoke alarms in the residence. Upon arrival at the scene Western Springs Engine 1711 reported the presence heavy smoke showing from the attached garage area of the residence. Western Springs Engine 1721 and Ambulance 1714 also responded to the scene. The alarm was immediately elevated by the initial responding crew to a full still alarm which brought assistance from surrounding fire departments. While firefighters ensured all occupants were out of the home safely, entry was made to the garage area where they encountered heavy smoke and fire. Two fire attack hose lines were utilized to quickly extinguish the fire which was confined to the garage area of the residence. Smoke present throughout the residence was removed by use of ventilation fans while efforts were undertaken to confirm that the fire had not extended beyond the garage area.

The cause of the fire is currently the subject of a formal fire investigation conducted under the direction of the Western Springs Fire Department. Assistance in the fire suppression efforts was provided by fire crews responding from Hinsdale, La Grange, Clarendon Hills, Westmont, Pleasantview Fire Protection District, Oak Brook and La Grange Park. While smoke and fire damage to the residence was significant, there were no injuries reported by the occupants or the responding fire crews.

The working smoke detectors in this residence provided early notification to sleeping occupants that allowed them to call 911 and exit quickly. The Western Springs Fire Department reminds everyone to have working smoke detectors in their homes, whether a single-family dwelling, an apartment, or a condo.

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