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FIRE DAMAGES STEVENSVILLE RESIDENCE

STEVENSVILLE, MT — The Stevensville Fire Department was dispatched to the 500 block of Mission in downtown Stevensville for fire coming from a residence at 7:13 pm on Tuesday, August 18th. Upon arrival, the fire department found the attached garage of a single-story home on fire.

Fire Chief Jeff Motley reports that the fire appears to have started in the garage. According to Motley, the garage suffered severe fire, smoke and water damage where the fire originated. The living area of the residence sustained moderate smoke damage and some water damage. No injuries associated with the fire were reported.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation. Property and content losses have yet to be determined.

The Stevensville Fire Department was assisted by firefighters from Florence, Three-Mile and Victor Fire Departments and Marcus Daly ambulance. The Stevensville Police Department was assisted by personnel from the Ravalli County Sheriff's Office to coordinate traffic control as the fire took place.

Mayor Brandon Dewey commented "We are very thankful that no one was injured in this unfortunate event. All of the firefighters who responded did a remarkable job. I am very proud of their quick response and coordinated efforts on scene."

Representatives from the Mayor's Office were on scene coordinating with the American Red Cross on immediate relief efforts for the family who has been displaced by the fire. Mayor Dewey said "While this is an unfortunate event, we are blessed that Stevensville is a generous community that will rise to the occasion when our neighbors find themselves in a time of need and support."

Crews left the scene at approximately 9:30pm Tuesday night.

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