



# Woodstock Fire/Rescue District

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**Press Release:** Perkins Road House Fire – 06/29/2024

## For Immediate Release

On June 29, 2024, at 5:42pm, the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District responded to the 14600 block of Perkins Road in unincorporated Woodstock for the reported residential structure fire. Upon arrival, firefighters observed a large volume of fire showing from an attached garage of a two-story residence.

Working smoke detectors alerted two occupants of the growing fire. Fortunately, they escaped unharmed prior to firefighters' arrival. Due to the complexity of the incident and outside heat index near 90°F, an upgrade was made through the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS). An aggressive interior and exterior attack prevented the fire from spreading further into the house. The fire was considered under control within 35 minutes. Overhaul and investigations continued for an additional 90 minutes. In total, 14 neighboring agencies assisted Woodstock during the incident.

The house is considered uninhabitable until repairs can be made. The American Red Cross is assisting three occupants with temporary housing. One firefighter was evaluated on scene for heat exhaustion. The fire is not believed to be suspicious in nature, but the cause remains under investigation by the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District.

Working smoke detectors save lives! The Woodstock Fire/Rescue District is participating in a joint effort with the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance to provide free smoke detectors to our community. As part of the program, smoke detectors are installed in resident's homes to help reduce the number of fire-related deaths. The detectors are free of charge but must be installed by the Woodstock Fire/Rescue District. Visit <https://www.wfrd.org/smoke-detectors> for more information.

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