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## News Release

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### Fire displaces one in Wailua Wednesday

WAILUA – A fire in Wailua Wednesday evening displaced one resident.

No injuries were reported. Volunteers with the America Red Cross assisted the displaced individual.

Firefighters responded to a report of a structure fire in Wailua on Kihei Road at approximately 9 p.m. on Wednesday.

Personnel from the Līhu'e, Kaiakea, and Kapa'a fire stations; Rescue 3; the on-duty Battalion Chief; Kaua'i Island Utility Cooperative; the Department of Public Works; American Medical response; the Kaua'i Police Department; and the KFD Fire Prevention Bureau responded to the incident.

According to a preliminary report, upon arrival, fire personnel discovered a single-story dwelling fully engulfed in flames at approximately 9:10 p.m. Wednesday. Firefighters engaged in a defensive strategy until the fire was contained. However, firefighters remained on the scene to extinguish multiple flare-ups throughout the night.

At 6:20 a.m. Thursday, Kaua'i Police Department personnel was on the scene as firefighters conducted a shift change. At approximately 7:35 a.m., KPD personnel informed dispatch that the structure again flared up. At 9:45 a.m., the Department of Public Works used heavy machinery to move debris and assisted fire personnel with final extinguishment.

Fire investigators and personnel remained on the scene and later cleared at 2 p.m.

The structure is considered a total loss. Damages and contents are estimated at \$893,000.

The cause of the fire is undetermined due to extensive fire damage.





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