



News Release

www.McKi

City of McKinney News Release
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

McKinney man helps neighbor escape burning home

The cause of the fire is under investigation

MCKINNEY, Texas (July 24, 2018) – The McKinney Fire Department (MFD) received a call about a residential structure fire on Thursday, July 19. They arrived to find heavy smoke and flames at the home located at 801 Odell St.

A neighbor spotted the fire and went into the home to help the resident escape safely. The resident was taken to the hospital as a precaution, but was not seriously hurt. The home is a total loss and cause of the fire is still under investigation.



“You have just minutes to escape a house fire. Once you are out, stay out,” said Fire Marshal Mike Smith.

Fact: In just two minutes a fire can become life threatening. In five minutes a home can be engulfed in flames.

More safety information can be located at www.mckinneyfire.org or www.nfpa.org.

###

About McKinney

McKinney, Texas, is unique by nature. As one of the fastest growing cities in America, McKinney has a current population of 180,000. The city was #1 on the list of Best Places to Live in America in 2014, published by *Money Magazine*. Established in 1848, the city is located 30 miles north of Dallas and is the county seat of Collin County. McKinney offers award-winning schools, a vibrant historic downtown, diverse housing options, a robust economy and a uniquely beautiful natural setting, with rolling hills and lush trees. Visit the city’s website at www.mckinneytexas.org.

Media Contact:

Merit Ossian
Public Information Officer and Education
Coordinator
McKinney Fire Department
mossian@mckinneytexas.org

972-547-2893 or 214-733-1158