



**CITY OF COEUR D'ALENE
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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PRESS RELEASE
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INCIDENT/EVENT: Structure Fire

DATE: 1/31/13

TIME: Approximately 2000

LOCATION: 601 E Front, 9th Floor

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At approximately 8:00 pm last night Coeur D'Alene Fire Department was dispatched for a Structure Fire on the 9th floor of the Parkside Condo's 601 E Front. Neighbor reported seeing smoke and flames on an interior wall with water flowing in the apartment. A second alarm was immediately called for bringing additional units from both Kootenai County Fire and Rescue and Northern Lakes Fire Department. 5 Engines, 2 Ambulances and 19 personnel responded. Upon the arrival of the Fire Department the fire appears to have self-extinguished due to a domestic water line being damaged by the fire and extinguishing it within a couple feet of its origin. The fire cause appears to be electrical in nature at this time, starting in or around a built in home surround sound speaker. The fire is still under investigation at the time of this release. Quick action by neighbors alerted the fire department to the problem as the resident of this condo is in the process of moving out of the residence. Due to the domestic water supply being damaged by heat and flame impingement the fire was not able to grow large enough to activate the Fire Sprinkler system within the residence.

We would like to remind the public to evacuate immediately in the case of a fire, call 911, and to always use the exit stairways not elevators in case of fire in High-rise occupancy's.