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HOUSE FIRE

This morning just before 6:00 AM, Colonial Heights Fire and EMS along with Chesterfield responded to the 300 Block of Virginia Ave for a reported house fire. When fire crews arrived they found a two story single family residence with smoke and fire showing. Crews received a report of a male victim still inside. He was quickly located on the second floor and removed. He was transported to the hospital in serious condition. The second victim was treated at the scene for smoke inhalation. Additional fire and EMS units from Petersburg and Fort Lee were called to the scene to assist. The fire was under control in about 30 minutes. Red Cross was contacted to assist the occupants. An investigation determined the fire was caused by a cigarette. Estimated damage is about $20,000.