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Fallen Tree Limbs Cause House Fire

(KAIR)--Early Friday morning thunderstorms, including torrential rain and strong wind, roared through the area, leaving Atchison littered with downed tree limbs and damaged power lines. That damage is also blamed for sparking a fire at an Atchison home.

Fire Department Captain Ted Graf says crews responded to the home, in the 900 block of South Sixth Street, for a report of an electrical fire. "It was determined that a tree limb had taken down their service line to their house, causing damage to the adjacent transformer as well as spurred an electrical fire inside the house. The fire was out upon our arrival. However, there was still quite a bit of smoke left in the residence."

Graf says crews were on the scene for approximately forty five minutes.

The home's occupants were able to escape uninjured.

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