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Lightning strike sparks fire in Zionsville apartment building

A lightning strike from a line of strong thunderstorms caused a fire in the Williams Glen Apartments in Zionsville late Tuesday evening.

The Boone County Communications Center received a 911 call at 9:57 p.m. reporting the apartment fire at 1755 Williams Glen Blvd. Zionsville firefighters arrived on the scene to find heavy smoke and fire coming from the roof of the three-story apartment building. Crews quickly attacked the fire from the exterior, transitioned interior and accessed the attic to extinguish the fire.

Carmel, Whitestown, Pike Township and Lebanon Fire Departments provided mutual aid at the scene. Fire crews cleared the area about two hours after the initial call.

All residents of the affected apartment building have been relocated by the apartment management. One resident was treated and released at the scene and one firefighter was transported to a local hospital with a minor injury. Damage estimates could exceed \$100,000.

“Firefighters did an extraordinary job putting out this fire quickly under difficult conditions,” Chief James VanGorder said. “Thank you to our mutual aid partners, whose assistance was invaluable.”

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