

## Woman, Baby Saved from Burning Home

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A woman and baby were rescued from a burning home on the 1500 block of Thrush Avenue Saturday night.

The fire started around 10:20 p.m. When Alameda County firefighters and sheriff's deputies arrived on the scene, they teamed up to pull the woman and a 1-year-old boy from a back

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window of the burning duplex, according to Alameda County Fire Department spokeswoman Aisha Knowles.

The woman and child were treated at a nearby hospital for smoke inhalation. Two dogs were also saved from the blaze and firefighters resuscitated one of them that was unconscious.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation, Knowles said. But it appears to have been started accidentally in a trash can along the side of the house.

The fire destroyed the roof of the duplex, leaving five people temporarily without a home.

This is the second house fire in San Leandro this month. On Nov. 4, a 2-alarm fire caused by cooking broke out at 8:30 p.m. at a house at 1043 San Leandro Blvd.

Firefighters arrived to find heavy smoke in the front of the home and heavy smoke and flames in the rear of the two-story home. The fire was contained within 20 minutes of their arrival.

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There were no injuries to firefighters or the public and the fire was contained to the building where it started.

The Alameda County Fire Department contacted the Red Cross to assist the resident displaced by the fire.

**CAPTION: A fire that apparently started in a trash can gutted a duplex on the 1500 block of Thrush Avenue Saturday night. A woman and baby were rescued from the blaze, along with two dogs.**

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