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CALDWELL FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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On the morning of February 8, Caldwell Fire Department was dispatched to a fire alarm activation. Several calls about the audible alarm were reported to Canyon County Dispatch by neighbors; however, no smoke or flames were observed.

Crews arrived on the scene to a two-story multi-family fourplex with nothing flames showing, however, the audible water flow alarm was activated. During the investigation, it was discovered that a fire suppression system had activated and extinguished a fire in the back bedroom of one of the first-floor apartments.

No one was home at the time of the incident. Had this fire gone unchecked, it would have grown into a much larger fire before it would have been identified by smoke or flames and could have easily moved into the adjacent units and buildings. This ultimately could have displaced several families and led to injuries.

“This is a good reminder that fire suppression systems work. The need for fire suppression systems in residential settings is paramount as high-density living situations become more and more common,” said Deputy Chief Alan Perry, Fire Marshal, Caldwell Fire Department.

