Investigators Seek Tips in Cuyahoga County Arson

(COLUMBUS, Ohio) — The Division of State Fire Marshal’s Fire and Explosion Investigation Bureau is seeking tips from the public regarding an intentionally set fire at a home in East Cleveland (Cuyahoga County).

The fire occurred at 6:47 a.m. Tuesday at 1854 Wymore Ave. Six people were asleep inside the home at the time of the fire and all managed to escape without injury. Neighbors who saw the flames were able to notify the fire department before the fire spread to the interior of the home.

Investigators believe two unidentified black males threw two Molotov cocktails at the exterior of the home, causing both to ignite. Firefighters on scene discovered a third Molotov cocktail, but it did not ignite.

The investigation is being conducted jointly by the State Fire Marshal’s office and the East Cleveland police and fire departments. A reward of up to $5,000 is being offered by the Blue Ribbon Arson Committee for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for this fire. Anyone with information is encouraged to call the State Fire Marshal’s tip line at 800-589-2728 or the Cuyahoga County Crime Stoppers at 216-252-7463.

The scene of a fire at 1854 Wymore Ave. in East Cleveland (Cuyahoga County).

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