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DOGS SAVED FROM HOUSE FIRE

Plantation, Fla.: October 30, 2008: Plantation firefighters rescued two dogs from a burning home at 1391 SW 56th Avenue, fire chief Robert Pudney announced this evening.

The fire was reported by a neighbor, who lived at 1400 SW 56th Avenue, at approximately 8:30 P.M.

Upon arrival firefighters observed smoke and flames coming from the roof on the side of the home where roofing work had been done earlier in the day.

The resident was not home at the time and firefighters had to force the garage door to make entry into the home.

Once the door was opened firefighters were met by a large German Shepherd who ran from the home. They also found a small brown dog, unconscious on the floor immediately inside.

The dog was brought to an awaiting rescue where paramedics used the pet oxygen masks to help revive the dog.

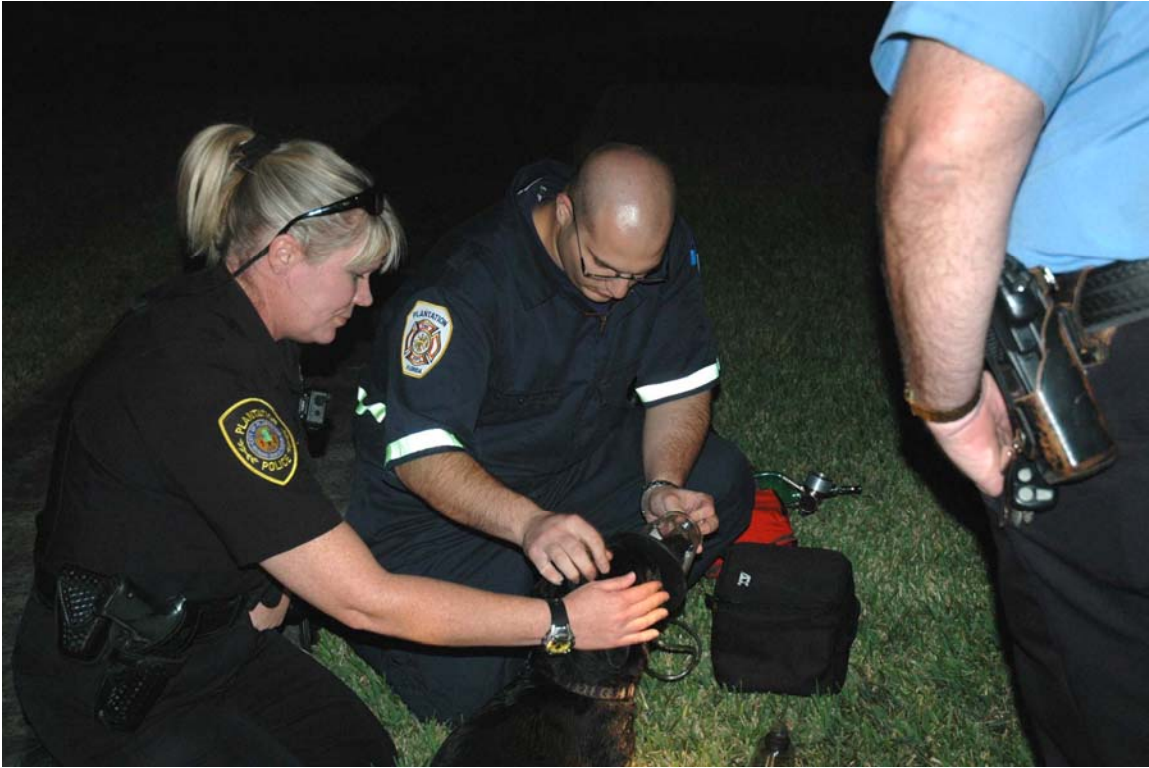
The owner arrived home shortly thereafter and took the dogs to an emergency veterinarian.

Damage to the home was limited to the roof area around the garage and heavy smoke inside the home. There were no other reported injuries and the exact cause is under investigation, although not being considered suspicious.

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FIREFIGHTERS RESCUE DOGS FROM BURNING HOME



Dog's best friend: *Plantation EMT Roger Gallo and police officer Jennifer Tofexis use a pet oxygen mask to provide oxygen to one of two dogs rescued at a house fire at the 1400 block of Southwest 56th Avenue in Plantation.*

The dog pictured here was found unconscious in the home when firefighters arrived. Both dogs were taken to a local veterinarian.

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