

***St. Lucie County Fire District
News Release***



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**St. Lucie County Fire District Responds to
Two Arson Fires in Ft. Pierce**

St. Lucie County, FL – Late Tuesday evening and early Wednesday morning the St. Lucie County Fire District responded to two arson fires in Ft. Pierce. The fires were all set in a block bordered by Orange Avenue to the south, between 11th and 12th streets, and Avenue B to the north. The fires are connected by an alleyway which runs behind the buildings.

“We believe the fires are arson and we urge residents and business owners in the area to be vigilant of any suspicious activities and report them to authorities,” said Fire Chief Ron Parrish.

At 11:04 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10, SLCFD crews responded to a fire in a shed behind 1116 Orange Avenue, Ft. Pierce. While at the fire, firefighters responded to a sofa on fire approximately 50 yards from the shed in a wooded alleyway.

At 1:30 a.m., on Wednesday, April 11, SLCFD crews were called to a 2-story home at 302 North 12th Street, Ft. Pierce. The home was empty, but in the process of being renovated for rental units.

All the fires are considered arson by the SLCFD Fire Prevention Bureau. Anyone with any knowledge on the fires is asked to contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-273-TIPS. Those who give tips to Crime Stopper don't have to give their names and are eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward if the tip leads to an arrest.

The Monday morning fire at 3115 Avenue D is still being investigated but is not considered suspicious.

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