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### **Fire displaces residents of Community Correctional Center**

Twenty-six women residing at the Orange Street Community Correctional Center were relocated Wednesday evening after a fire damaged a section of the center.

The fire broke out at approximately 6:30 p.m. in a bedroom at the center. An officer used a handheld extinguisher to put out the fire as staff evacuated residents from the building. Four staff, one supervisor and a therapist were in the building at the time.

The fire was contained to a single bedroom. The building's automatic sprinkler system activated and flooded the housing wing.

Three engines from the Salt Lake City Fire Department responded. Investigators from Salt Lake City Fire and Unified Fire Authority will determine the cause of the fire.

The officer who extinguished the fire was taken to a local hospital to be checked out as a precautionary measure.

The residents were allowed to gather a bag of belongings and then were taken to the Atherton Community Treatment Center in West Valley City.

It is unknown at this time when the center will reopen. Utah Disaster Kleenup is handling the restoration.

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