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Oakland Fire Department Needs the Public's Help to Determine Cause of Fire on 300 Block of Lester Avenue

Oakland, CA — Around 5:00 a.m. on Monday, October 31, a fire began at 317-319 Lester Avenue that eventually destroyed a 41-unit apartment building that was under construction. Due to the actions of firefighters from the Oakland Fire Department and mutual aid provided by firefighters from the Berkeley Fire Department, there were no casualties and adjacent and surrounding structures received little to no damage. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

The Fire Investigation Unit of the Oakland Fire Department is asking for the public's help. Anyone with information about the fire, or activities in the area prior to the fire, is encouraged to call the Investigation Unit at (510) 238-4031. Callers can remain anonymous.

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