

## Two Alarms on Green Road on Christmas Morning

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More than twenty-five people were displaced early this morning at a two-alarm fire at Green Castle Apartments at 2647 New Hope Church Road. The call was dispatched at 2:19 a.m. to 3923 Green Road. New Hope Engine 1 arrived at a two-story, brick-and-a-frame, townhouse building with 7,920 square-feet. Built in 1972. They found heavy fire venting from the roof of two of the building's seven units. A second alarm was dispatched while units were still en route. Defensive operations were utilized.

Ladder 2 and Ladder 5 flowed from the front of the building, while Ladder 1 was deployed in the rear. Plus deluge gun, portable monitor, hand lines, etc. The fire was controlled at 3:30 hours. The entire building was heavily damaged. All occupants escaped safely. Red Cross is reportedly assisting 15 families, with temporary shelter provided at a nearby hotel. The cause of the fire, which started outside one unit and spread to the roof, is undetermined.

As this [WRAL story reports](#), this is the third large fire in five years at this location. Twenty-four people were displaced on June 14, 2010 (two alarms), and twelve people were displaced on April 3, 2006 (two alarms). Lee Wilson and Mike Legeros ([see early photos](#)) were both on scene this morning, and will provide additional incident details in their posted (or updated) pictures.



*Lee Wilson photo*



*Mike Legeros photo*

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What a bad start to Christmas morning, but all companies did great work.

**AB** - 12/25/11 - 11:05

AB, you guys were awesome (Wake-New Hope)! Merry Christmas brother!

**A.C. Rich** - 12/25/11 - 15:24

You should have seen the 911 lines light up. It was as if the entire complex noticed the fire at the same time. We knew it was going to be a big one and went ahead with the second alarm.

**Marcus** - 12/25/11 - 16:46

Thanks AC, you too! I wish all departments worked as well together as we do. RFD has some great folks too. Marcus, I liked the update "We are receiving multiple, multiple calls!" We could see it from Green and Calvary when we made the turn.

**AB** - 12/25/11 - 19:24

I believe the same exact building burned ~5 years ago.

**Rescue Ranger** - 12/25/11 - 21:56

Amusing typo today:

Fire guts Raleigh townhomes, displaces 60

<http://abclocal.go.com/wtvd/story?sectio..>

The editor is using the number of firefighters, not the number of residents!

**Legeros** - 12/26/11 - 10:37

Pictures now available from Legeros and Lee, including second set shot about twelve hours after incident, at <http://www.legeros.com/firepics.>

**Legeros** - 12/26/11 - 12:09

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