

9:15 a.m. UPDATE — Fire crews say a firefighter who was hospitalized and then released after battling flames at a synagogue fire during the overnight hours Monday was hit by falling debris.

According to the Duluth Fire Department, crews arrived on scene shortly before 2:30 a.m. at the Adas Israel Congregation in downtown Duluth, and saw smoke and fire at the eaves.

Crews then began battling the flames, and did a quick search of the building as conditions quickly changed.

While inside, fire officials say a mayday call was issued for a down firefighter who was hit by falling debris.

The firefighter was rescued from the balcony level of the synagogue, and taken to St. Luke's Hospital, where officials say he was treated and released.

More crews were called to the scene, and crews were ordered to leave the building due to the changing conditions.

After the crews left, fire officials say part of the roof collapsed, and the department changed to a defensive tactic.

At that point, the front wall collapsed, and when the fire grew, the west wall also collapsed.

No one else was injured during the fire.

As of 9 a.m., crews were still on scene, and the Duluth Fire Marshal's office is currently investigating the cause, as well as the origin, of the fire.

Check back for details.

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8 a.m. UPDATE — KBJR 6 has learned a firefighter has been released from the hospital after responding to a fire at Duluth's Adas Israel Congregation overnight Monday.

It wasn't immediately clear what prompted the hospitalization.

Duluth Firefighters responded at 2:30 a.m. to the synagogue located at the corner of 3rd

Avenue East and 3rd Street in downtown Duluth.

According to their website, the Adas Israel Congregation is an Orthodox/High Conservative Jewish congregation, with a membership of 75 people.

The building was established in the late 19th century.

According to Duluth city officials, roads in the area are expected to be closed for most of the day.

The following roads are closed at this time:

- 3rd Street from 2nd Avenue East to 3rd Avenue East
- 3rd Avenue East from 4th Street to 1st Street
- 2nd Avenue East from 4th Street to 1st Street

Check back for updates as more information becomes available.

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4:28 a.m. – Emergency crews are responding to a fire at a synagogue in downtown Duluth.

Our team responded to the scene around 3:30 a.m. at the corner of 3rd Ave. East and Third St. The building engulfed in flames is the Adas Israel Congregation.