

Thursday fire claims family's home

(KAIR)--A GoFundMe account is set up for an Atchison County family who lost their home to a fire.

According to information on the website, the blaze claimed everything owned by the family of eight.

The fire occurred at the Muscotah residence of Brian and Renae Handke. The couple has six sons.

A news release from Atchison County Undersheriff Toby Smith says Sheriff's Deputies, along with Effingham firefighters, responded to the home, located at 505 Kickapoo, around 8:15 Thursday night.

The family was not at home at the time of the fire.

According to Smith, the cause of the fire has been determined to be accidental. It's believed that a battery charger for a child's toy is to blame, according to the investigation by the Kansas State Fire Marshal's Office.

The GoFundMe, created by Brian Handke's sister, asks for donations of any type, including clothing, household items, and gift cards.

Information about donations can be found [here](#).