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Fire damages two buildings in southwestern Fontana on Nov. 13

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A fire damaged two buildings in southwestern Fontana on the morning of Nov. 13 (Contributed photo by Connie Caruthers)

A fire damaged two buildings in southwestern Fontana on the morning of Nov. 13, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire Department**.

Crews were dispatched to a reported commercial fire in the 11100 block of Calabash Avenue. Crews quickly arrived to find smoke and fire showing from a vacant commercial building with multiple immediate exposures.

Firefighters mounted a defensive fire attack, working to suppress the fire and protect nearby buildings. The fire did extend to an adjacent building but crews managed to keep it to just two buildings, said Battalion Chief Mike McClintock.

Within 35 minutes of arrival, the fire was knocked down. All searches of the buildings came up negative. No injuries to firefighters or civilians were noted.

The cause of the blaze remains under investigation.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/fire-damages-two-buildings-in-southwestern-fontana-on-nov-13/article_ce32a96a-63a7-11ed-8c1b-93533133f968.html

Remembering two fallen County firefighters

Tammy Gann, County Update

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The **San Bernardino County Fire** Protection District and the communities they serve are mourning the loss of two of their finest last week with the passing of Fire Marshal Mike Horton and Captain Karl Hegle.

Chief Horton proudly served his country in the U.S. Army for three years prior to entering the fire service in 1981 as a firefighter with the Norco Fire Department. He served in various firefighting ranks before joining San Bernardino County Fire in 2006 as the Deputy Fire Marshal. Chief Horton took the helm as Fire Marshal in September 2013.

Captain Hegle started in the fire service with the California City Fire Department in 1995 and joined the Upland Fire Department in 2007. When Upland transitioned into the **San Bernardino County Fire** District in 2017, Captain Hegle was gifted with a new community to serve in Wrightwood.

The County Family express its deepest condolences to the families and friends of Chief Horton and Captain Hegle.

<https://wp.sbcounty.gov/cao/countywire/?p=16342>

Landers garage and RV fire threatens home on Saturday 11/12

Jef Hartz, Z107.7 FM

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A structure fire extinguished by San Bernardino County Fire on Saturday (November 12) proved not-fatal, though witnesses reported that a woman was inside the house.

At around 1:30 p.m., fire and medic engines arrived at a property in Landers to find a detached garage and RV engulfed in flames, and threatening to spread to a single family home on the property.

Firefighters deployed several hose lines, and were able to squelch the flames before they moved over to the house. Bystanders at the scene reported that a female connected with the house was missing, and firefighters searched the house, but found no one inside.

The missing female was located, unharmed, a while later, along with all occupants of the house. No injuries were reported to residents or fire personnel. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

<https://z1077fm.com/landers-garage-and-rv-fire-threatens-home-on-saturday-11-12/>

ABC 7 and San Bernardino County Fire collecting toys for Spark of Love toy drive

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San Bernardino County Fire

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY – The giving season has arrived and ABC7’s [Spark of Love Toy Drive](#) is back again collecting toys for underserved children and teens in Southern California. The **San Bernardino County Fire** is accepting toys through December 24.

“Spark of Love is a program that’s run through Channel 7 – they help provide us with all the supplies and this is a program that we’ve ran for the last 25 years or so,” said **San Bernardino County Fire** Engineer Jason McLaughlin, “We help provide children with toys. Without our help they may not get anything for Christmas.”

The Spark of Love Toy Drive has collected more than 10 million toys. New, unwrapped toys and sports equipment can be dropped off at the local fire department. Toys collected in San Bernardino county are distributed locally.

San Bernardino County Fire works in partnership with Children’s Fund to sort and distribute the toys to other local nonprofits.

“A family that’s lost everything due to unemployment or being homeless – they’re just providing basic needs for their family,” said Children’s Fund Director of Programs Betty Chambers. “Being able to provide those families with something for every child, that makes all the difference and relieves the stress from the parent.”

Toys are not provided directly to individuals and **San Bernardino County Fire** encourages residents to “join forces with a non-profit organization in their community to request toys.” Local nonprofits can apply to receive toys by completing a toy request form [here](#).

Deadline to submit the toy request is December 2nd by midnight.

San Bernardino County Fire thanks the community for the continued partnership.

<https://thehdpost.com/2022/11/13/abc-7-and-san-bernardino-county-fire-collecting-toys-for-spark-of-love-toy-drive/>