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County Firefighters Respond to Structure Fire in the City of Hesperia

Date/Time: Wednesday, December 15, 2021 9:46am

Location: 8K block 9th Ave, Hesperia CA.

Incident: Residential Structure Fire 21-301827

Summary:

Shortly before 10 am this morning, San Bernardino County Fire responded to multiple reports of a structure fire in the City of Hesperia. Battalion 604 arrived shortly after dispatch to find a single story home with fire showing from multiple windows and the front door. As Firefighters arrived and deployed lines to initiate fire attack contact was made with the occupants of the home which stated everybody had safely evacuated. Ambulance operator paramedics initiated evaluation for one of the occupants who ultimately declined transport to the hospital by ambulance. As additional units arrived sufficient personnel were put in place to move into the structure to continue fire attack and conduct a primary search to confirm no additional people were in the home. A primary and secondary search was all clear in the house.

Neighbors stated they initially saw smoke coming from the front of the house as 911 was activated. A City of Hesperia employee who was driving by jumped a locked gate / fence to help the occupants and keep them from re entering the home.

Firefighters were able to contain the fire to the building of origin but significant damage occurred throughout. Heavy fire conditions and contents were encountered in the home. Fire did extend into the attic space which further spread fire. Knockdown of the fire was achieved in approximately 45 minutes. Due to resource commitments on the incident cover engines were brought up to maintain service.

No injuries to firefighters were reported. Three engines, one truck company, one chief officer, one medic ambulance, and one investigator, totaling 16 personnel from County Fire were assigned to the incident. Victorville City assisted with one engine. The cause remains under investigation by the office of the Fire Marshal.