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Two Alarm Fire Damages Upland Apartment Complex

Date/Time: 1/17/22, 1:04PM
Location: 1500 block of West 8th Street, Upland
Incident: Second Alarm Commercial Fire

Summary: This afternoon San Bernardino County Fire crews were dispatched to a reported commercial structure fire in the 1500 block of West 8th Street, Upland. Multiple calls stated a fire at an apartment complex at the corner of Benson & 8th Street.

Firefighters arrived on-scene to find multiple apartment units on fire, on both the first and second floor of an eight unit apartment building. Arriving crews simultaneously initiated a fire attack & evacuated residents. Due to the amount of fire a second alarm was immediately struck, bringing additional apparatus and personnel to the scene. The fire quickly spread throughout multiple apartment units and the attic space of the building. Firefighters worked to limit the spread through the units and attic, all while checking for any potential victims. Thankfully all searches came up negative. Unfortunately one dog was found deceased in an apartment.

The fire was brought under control within 45 minutes and firefighters were successful in keeping the fire from spreading to additional adjacent buildings. In total four apartment units received smoke and fire damage. Four additional apartments received smoke and water damage but were saved from major fire damage. In total 14 residents were displaced by today's fire. Red Cross responded to the scene to assist those impacted by the fire. Fire Investigators responded to the scene to complete a cause and origin investigation. The fire remains under investigation.

San Bernardino County Fire responded with five Engines, Three Trucks, three Chief Officers, an Air/Light Unit and a Fire Investigator. Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga and Chino Valley Fire all provided mutual aid.

Photos and video are available at <https://sbcfire.org/20220117-uplandstructurefire/>.