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## Engine Struck on Upland Accident Scene

**Date/Time:** 1/26/22

**Location:** 21st St & Euclid, Upland

**Incident:** Traffic Collision involving apparatus

### Summary:

Last night ME12 (San Antonio Heights) was working a traffic accident at the intersection of North Euclid and 21st, City of Upland. ME12 was positioned to block the scene, ensuring the scene was safe for first responders while they provided care. During the incident an additional traffic collision occurred, ultimately striking ME12. Thankfully a nearby Fire Captain and Police Officer were able to quickly dodge the accident and weren't struck by the new accident. Crews quickly assessed the new accident for victims, finding all parties from the new accident were uninjured. ME12 received minor damage, but was successful in providing a barrier for first responders. Both accidents are under investigation by Upland PD. Last year San Bernardino County Fire responded to more than 130,000 calls, including 10,952 traffic accidents.

### Approaching an Accident Scene?

Do not panic. Drivers who panic at the scene of the accident can cause another accident. Some drivers overreact by swerving or making a sudden exit and cutting off other vehicles to avoid the traffic congestion.

Do not stare. Keep your eyes focused on the road and what is ahead of you. Avoid "rubbernecking." This can cause a slowdown and puts you, your passengers and others on the road at risk. Paying too much attention to the accident can cause you to miss brake lights ahead and dangerous road debris.

Pay attention to signs, detours and traffic patterns. Be a defensive driver and scan the traffic ahead, just not what is in front of you. This will increase your chances of being able to spot a problem, while still having enough time to react, which will decrease the chance of a rear-end collision.