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Man injured after pickup crashes into garbage truck on Green Tree Boulevard

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San Bernardino County firefighters extricate a victim from a pickup truck after the driver struck a Burrtec garbage truck on Green Tree Boulevard on Tuesday afternoon. The man was trapped in the vehicle for 20 minutes and reported minor injuries. James Quigg, Daily Press

VICTORVILLE — A male driver was injured and taken to a local hospital after crashing into a garbage truck Tuesday afternoon.

The crash was first reported at 12:35 p.m. at the intersection of Green Tree Boulevard and First Avenue and involved a black Ford pickup truck and a Burrtec garbage truck.

Victor Valley Sheriff's Station Service Specialist Daylynn Weinberg said the black pickup was traveling westbound on Green Tree Boulevard in the No. 2 lane when the driver, for reasons still unknown, began to cross over into the No. 1 lane where the garbage truck was traveling eastbound.

The black pickup truck then T-boned the garbage truck, causing the garbage truck to tilt on its side, according to Weinberg.

“According to what the driver of the garbage truck told us, his truck was on its side and almost rolled over, but thankfully he was able to get control of the vehicle,” Weinberg said.

Witness Karie Cochran, 34, of Apple Valley, said she was driving at least three car lengths behind the pickup truck when she noticed the vehicle began to drift onto the other side of the road.

“I’m not sure if the driver lost consciousness or something, but as the car was drifting we saw it clip the back end of the garbage truck and the garbage truck was on two wheels,” Cochran said. “Thankfully it didn't flip over. We stayed with the driver to make sure he was conscious and called 911. He’s lucky to be alive and thankfully someone was looking out for him.”

San Bernardino County Fire Department Capt. Jeremy Kern said the driver of the pickup truck was reported to be injured and trapped in the vehicle, and extrication was needed as firefighters successfully freed him from within 20 minutes.

The driver suffered moderate injuries with lacerations on his arm and was transported by ground to Victor Valley Global Medical Center, Weinberg said. The driver of the garbage truck reported no injuries.

The garbage truck sustained moderate damage while the black Ford pickup truck sustained major damages and both sides of Green Tree Boulevard were temporarily closed down as officials cleared the scene and directed traffic.

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Driver Extricated From Vehicle after Crashing into Trash Truck

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Firefighters work on extricating the trapped driver from the vehicle. (Photo by Gabriel Danny Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

VICTORVILLE, CALIF: (VVNG.com) - A man trapped inside his vehicle required extrication following a major damage traffic collision between a Ford truck and a Burrtec CNG trash truck.

The accident occurred just after 12:35 P.M. on Green Tree Blvd near First Avenue on Tuesday afternoon.

According to Deputy Adam Hylin with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, the driver of the trash truck was heading west bound on Green Tree and the driver of the black truck was heading east bound Green Tree, when for unknown reasons the driver of the black truck veered into the west bound lanes and collided into the side of the trash truck.

Witnesses told Victor Valley News the driver of the truck possibly experienced some type of medical emergency causing him to drift across lanes and into oncoming traffic.

"It took about 20 minutes to extricate the victim" stated Captain Jeremy Kern with the **San Bernardino County Fire Department**. Kern stated that the victim will be transferred to a trauma center for treatment with unknown injuries.

The driver of the Burrtec truck told Victor Valley News the impact nearly caused the trash truck to flip over but he managed to regain control. He also stated he was not injured in the collision.

Westbound traffic on Green Tree Blvd. was being diverted onto First Avenue while authorities cleared the scene.

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Multiple vehicle crash in Phelan injures seven Monday

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PHELAN — Authorities said seven people were injured after a crash involving multiple vehicles Monday afternoon.

California Highway Patrol officials said the crash was reported at 3:14 p.m. Monday on Highway 18 and Schlitz Road and involved three vehicles, with multiple parties requiring medical attention. **San Bernardino County Fire Department** officials said extrication was required for a person in one of the vehicles, but all injuries were ultimately reported to be minor.

The crash occurred when a 28-year-old man in 1996 Honda Accord was headed east on Highway 18 behind a 38-year-old woman in a 2015 Kia Rio. The Rio was rear-ended by the Accord as it slowed and stopped to make a left turn on Schlitz Road, CHP officials said. The Accord then traveled across the westbound lane and was struck by a 40-year-old man in a 2004 Honda Civic headed west on Highway 18.

Several County Fire and CHP units responded to the crash, and a medical helicopter was initially requested but later canceled, officials said. The crash blocked both lanes of Highway 18 and traffic was stopped in both directions for about an hour as officials worked to clear the scene.

The woman and six juveniles were taken to local hospitals with minor injuries, CHP officials said.

CHP officials said alcohol or drugs were not a factor in the crash. The incident remains under investigation.

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