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Firefighters Save Home During Late Night Oak Hills Fire

Date/Time: Tuesday, February 5, 2019, 10:48pm
Location: 7000 block of Aster Road, Oak Hills
Incident: Residential Structure Fire #19-025820

Summary: Just before 11pm last evening, San Bernardino County Fire received reports of a possible structure fire in the community of Oak Hills. Initial reports stated a single occupant awoke to smoke in the home. Battalion 141 arrived in 11 minutes and reported smoke coming from a single story residential home with fire showing through the roof from the rear center portion of the structure. Contact was made with the occupant of the home who stated there was a fire in the kitchen area of the residence. Firefighters entered the home and initiated an offensive fire attack. Priorities were to search the home for any other potential occupants and limit the spread of the fire that was established in the kitchen. Upon entry firefighters encountered moderate smoke conditions as they made their way into the home. Once the kitchen fire was knocked down an extension check determined fire in the attic which was quickly suppressed. Firefighters then transitioned to salvage and overhaul operations. The structure sustained smoke damage through-out the home with fire damage limited to the kitchen, attic, and roof. The majority of the contents were saved by the quick action of firefighters. The fire was controlled in approximately 20 minutes with no injuries to civilians or firefighters reported.

Three engines, one truck company, one chief officer, and one investigator totaling 14 personnel from County Fire were assigned to the incident. CalFire assisted with one engine. Damage estimates are still being evaluated. The fire remains under investigation by the county office of the fire marshal.

San Bernardino County Fire reminds residents to provide two means of escape from every room and make sure everyone knows where to meet after leaving the home. Develop and practice a fire escape plan for your household. Remember, never return to a burning building for any reason. Your belongings can be replaced –you can't! Learn more at www.sbcfire.org.

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