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Room and Contents Fire

Date/Time:	November 13, 2013
Location:	10000 Block of Avenal Street Hesperia, CA
Incident:	Room and Contents Fire in the laundry room

Summary:

Seventeen members from the San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to a structure fire in the 10000 block of Avenal Street. The single story residential structure was occupied by an elderly couple at the time of the fire. The couple and their five dogs exited the structure safely after discovering a fire in the laundry room and calling 911. The efforts of four companies from Hesperia and two companies from Victorville confined the damage to the laundry room. No firefighters were injured.

The cause of the fire was ruled accidental; a scorched tea towel used to prepare tea was placed in a hamper in the laundry room. Deep frying turkeys, unattended cooking appliances, and improperly discarded ashes are sources of fire damage to homes. The San Bernardino County Fire Department wishes you a SAFE and Happy Holidays.