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Early Morning Fire Destroys RV

Date/Time: December 30, 2015, 3:29am

Location: 9700 Block of Cedar Avenue in Bloomington, CA.

Incident: Structure Fire

Summary: Early this morning at 3:29am, fire companies from the San Bernardino County Fire Department and Rialto Fire Department were dispatched to a structure fire on the 9700 block of Cedar Avenue in the City of Bloomington, CA.

On arrival, the first in fire engine reported a RV to the rear of the address fully involved with fire and an exposure threat to a three vehicle parking structure to the north of the RV. Firefighters completed a quick primary search of the RV to assure no one was in the vehicle and started an aggressive fire attack. Other fire companies protected nearby exposures that included a parking structure containing a boat and two jet skis.

One of the two occupants of the RV stated that she woke up to use the restroom when she found a three foot fire burning where she had a candle burning. As the fire grew they tried to use a fire extinguisher but it would not operate so both occupants fled the RV to safety. Smoke detectors were present in the RV but one of the occupants stated that the batteries were dead and needed to be replaced.

Three paramedic engines, two paramedic truck companies, one paramedic squad and a battalion chief, totaling 19 firefighters were assigned to the incident. No injuries to civilians or firefighters were reported. The fire did approximately \$8,000.00 in damage which included the RV, damage to the parking structure and a nearby vehicle. The boat and the two jet skis suffered no damage. The cause of the fire was determined to be a candle that was lit before the two occupants went to bed.

The San Bernardino County fire Department would like to remind you that smoke alarms save lives! Make sure your smoke alarms have fresh batteries and check them monthly.

No courtesy photos are available but the press release can be viewed at www.sbcfire.org under Latest News.

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