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## Residential Fire in Abandoned Adelanto Home

**Date/Time**: Sunday, January 20, 2013 3:10 pm **Location**: 10900 Block of Bartlett Ave Adelanto, CA

Incident: Fire in Abandoned Residence

**Adelanto, CA-** At approximately 3:10 pm, Firefighters from the San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to a reported residential structure fire in the 10900 block of Bartlett Ave. in Adelanto, California.

First arriving firefighters from the San Bernardino County Fire Departments' Station 322 in Adelanto, CA found heavy smoke conditions coming from the single story abandoned home which was boarded up at the time of the fire. Firefighters making an aggressive attack, forcing entry in to the structure while firefighters on the roof cut ventilation holes found heavy smoke conditions and well established fire on the interior of the structure including the entire attic space. Eighteen San Bernardino County Firefighters from Adelanto and Victorville stations quickly located and extinguished the fire and conducted a search of the building for occupants in which none were found. Firefighters had the fire under control within 35 minutes and prevented the spread of the fire to nearby homes.

There were no injuries to civilians or firefighters. The cause of the fire is suspicious in nature and is under investigation by the San Bernardino County Fire Department Office of the Fire Marshal.

No damage estimates were available however; the fire destroyed a majority of the structure. San Bernardino County residents are encouraged to report suspicious activity in or around abandoned and boarded up structures by calling local law enforcement.