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## Quick Fire Response Prevents Structure Fire

**Date/Time:** April 28, 2014, 3:10 p.m.  
**Location:** 6000 Block of Linda Lee Drive, Yucca Valley  
**Incident:** Residential Structure Fire

**Summary:** At approximately 3:10 p.m., San Bernardino County Fire responded to a residential structure fire, located in the 6000 block of Linda Lee Drive in Yucca Valley, California.

Upon arrival dark heavy smoke was found coming out of the open front door of the approximately 800 square foot single family residence. The single occupant and her dog Dixon escaped the smoke and fled to the street as County Fire equipment arrived.

Firefighters entered the residence and quickly found the origin of the fire to be the kitchen oven. The fire was extinguished and only minor fire damage was done to the kitchen cabinets above the stove. While searching the home, the occupants cat Anne and her newly born kittens were found safe in a bedroom closet. Three engine companies, three firefighter paramedic ambulances and a battalion chief, totaling 14 fire personnel, were assigned to the incident.

No injuries to civilians or firefighter were reported. The cause of the fire was due to plastic kitchenware being stored in the oven. The oven was turned on to preheat prior to baking and the plastic caught fire. Fire damage is estimated at \$2,000 but due to a quick stop by Firefighters, the home estimated at \$150,000 was saved.

Five smoke detectors were found in the home but only one alerted the occupant because the other four had no batteries installed.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department wants to remind you that smoke alarms save lives! Make sure smoke alarms have fresh batteries installed and they are checked monthly.

Courtesy Photos can be located at [www.sbcfire.org](http://www.sbcfire.org) under latest news.

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