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San Bernardino County Firefighters Respond to Two-Story House Fire

Date/Time: June 19, 2012, 6:53pm
Location: 14800 block of Cambria Street, Fontana
Incident: Residential Structure Fire

Summary: On the evening of June 19th at 6:53 p.m., San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to multiple reports of an unknown type fire in the area of Live Oak Ave. and San Bernardino Ave. in the City of Fontana. The first on-scene engine reported heavy smoke and fire showing from the rear of a two story, single family residential structure. Initial attack firefighters encountered extremely high heat conditions, combined with black smoke down to the floor and made an aggressive interior fire attack. Other arriving units concurrently performed a rapid search for possible trapped victims and began ventilation of the involved structure.

A total of five engines, one truck, one medic squad and a battalion chief responded to the incident. Even though fire crews were able to confine most of the fire to the first floor, the entire residence sustained heavy smoke and heat damage. It was later determined there was no one home at the time of the fire. The fire appears to have originated in a back patio area of the home and the cause is yet to be determined by San Bernardino County Fire Investigators. Estimated loss of the home was placed at \$150,000 along with \$100,000 in content.

There were no evacuations of the neighboring area. No injuries were reported to any firefighters or civilians.

The 4th of July Holiday is rapidly approaching. The San Bernardino County Fire Department remind the public that even "safe and sane" fireworks pose a fire hazard and to consider alternatives such as a professional spectacular fireworks celebration in your community.

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