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### **Fatal Traffic Collision Involving School Bus**

**Date/Time:** May 7, 2013  
**Location:** On Mt. Vernon Rd. north of Grand Terrace Rd., Grand Terrace  
**Incident:** Fatal Head On Collision Involving A School Bus

On May 7, 2013 at approximately 7:46am, Medic Engine 23 of the San Bernardino County Fire Department was dispatched to a traffic collision with reported persons trapped on Mt Vernon Rd. just north of Grand Terrace Rd. Upon arrival, fire department personnel found a head on collision between a full size Chevy pick up truck and a school bus. Both vehicles had major front end damage, however crews determined that no extrication was needed. The driver of the Chevy truck was a 35 year old female who suffered fatal injuries and was pronounced dead on the scene by San Bernardino County Fire Department Paramedics. The driver of the bus was transported to a local hospital by an AMR Ambulance with non life threatening injuries. Fortunately, no children were on the bus at the time of the collision. In all 2 Medic Engines, 1 Heavy Rescue Unit and 1 Battalion Chief responded to the incident. No other vehicles were involved and the cause of the collision is still under investigation. There was a light rain at the time of the accident but it is unknown at this time if this was a factor.

One of the most dangerous places for emergency personnel is when rendering aid while on the roadway. When driving, if you see emergency personnel providing assistance on the road please slow down and clear out of lanes occupied by emergency responders.

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