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House Fire with Power Lines Down

Date/Time: January 16, 2020 9:59AM

Location: 200 Block of East 19th, San Bernardino

Incident: Residential Fire

Summary: At 9:59 this morning San Bernardino County Fire crews were dispatched to a reported residential structure fire in the 200 Block of East 19th Street in the City of San Bernardino. ME224 arrived in 4 minutes to find a single-story home with heavy smoke and fire showing from multiple sides.

On ME224's 360 assessment, they found energized power lines down and a detached garage immediately threatened by the well involved fire. Crews deployed hose lines and initiated a fire attack, while avoiding the electrical hazard. Southern California Edison was requested to mitigate the downed power line. Crews coordinated the fire attack with ventilation crews on the roof to assist in suppressing the fire and increasing the survivability profile in the home. Attacking the fire and completing a search for potential was the priority of crews. The fire was knocked down in 15 minutes, limiting the fire damage to the home and detached garage. A primary & secondary search was completed, and no victims were found.

#SBCoFD responded with four Medic Engines, one Medic Truck, one Battalion Chief, one Safety Officer and a Fire Investigator. The home received significant smoke and fire damage. No estimates were available At the time of the release. San Bernardino Building & Safety was requested to assist in securing the property. Cause and origin of the fire is under investigation by #SBCoFD OFM Investigators.

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