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Man refuses to leave burning apartment, is critically burned

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A man refused to leave an apartment engulfed in flames and was critically burned by the time he was rescued by Southern California firefighters, authorities said.

The injured man, who was not cooperative even as he was being saved, was hospitalized in a burn unit, said Eric Sherwin, spokesman for the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

The fire also displaced several others who lived in the two-story apartment complex in San Bernardino, the Sun newspaper reported Monday.

Fire crews responding late Sunday were informed that an upstairs occupant was refusing to leave. They arrived to find smoke and fire from the upper floor.

Firefighters evacuated the lower floor and then, under heavy fire conditions, entered the second-floor apartment and made the rescue, the newspaper reported,

The fire's cause was under investigation, Sherwin said, as was the man's reason for not wanting to leave his apartment. Investigators hope to interview him, Sherwin said.

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Report: California City May Charge Nonresidents for EMS Services

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REDLANDS, Calif. – The city is considering a proposal to charge nonresidents a fee for emergency medical services, according to a report.

The city responds to 8,600 EMS calls a year with 1,500 of those for emergencies involving people who live outside of Redlands, in San Bernardino County.

City officials note there are two major freeways and shopping centers that attract people from other communities to Redlands.

“It is imperative that things remain fair and equitable for both nonresidents and residents alike pertaining to the costs associated to providing EMS services,” said Fire Chief Nathan Cooke, as quoted by the Redlands Daily Facts.

The city council gave initial approval to the ordinance at a meeting earlier this month, the newspaper reported.

The Redlands Fire Department has 30 certified paramedics and 24 Emergency Medical Technicians that respond from four fire stations.

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