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Firefighters Respond to Mobile Home Fire in Hesperia

Date/Time: Monday, December 2, 2019 10:10 am

Location: 8562 C Ave, Hesperia, CA

Incident: Residential Structure Fire 19-267945

Summary: At 10:10 this morning, San Bernardino County Fire responded to reports of a possible dryer fire in the City of Hesperia. As units were enroute a large column of smoke could be seen from several blocks out. Battalion 147 arrived and reported a single wide mobile home 25% involved with exposures to surrounding properties. Medic truck 304 arrived with priorities to protect nearby property. As additional firefighters arrived an interior attack was established with initial actions to search for any potentially trapped subjects. Upon entry moderate smoke conditions were encountered. Knockdown of the fire was achieved in approximately 30 minutes. Significant smoke and fire damage were sustained throughout the entire mobile home. Firefighters next actions were to attempt to salvage any property in the home and work on overhaul operations to ensure the fire was completely extinguished.

The fire was controlled in approximately thirty minutes with no injuries to civilians one minor burn injury was reported for a firefighter on scene. Two engines, one truck company, two chief officers, one medic ambulance, one medic squad, and one investigator totaling 16 personnel from County Fire were assigned to the incident. Apple valley Fire District assisted with one engine. The Red Cross was requested to assist with the needs for two adults and six children who lived in the home.

Home owners on scene were presented a \$250 SAVE card by county firefighters to assist in immediate shortterm needs. The California Fire Foundation's Supplying Aid to Victims of Emergency (SAVE) program brings immediate, short-term relief to victims of fire and other natural disasters throughout California.

Through this program, frontline firefighters in California provide SAVE gift cards to eligible victims of fire and natural disasters so they may purchase basic necessities such as food, clothing or medicine. When the program launched in 2014, the gift cards were \$100 in value – and in 2019, due to the commitment of the Foundation's donors, SAVE cards were permanently increased to \$250 each.

Damage estimates are still being evaluated. The fire remains under investigation by the County Office of the Fire Marshal.

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