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Fire Destroys Home in Grand Terrace

Date/Time: **December 14, 2015 8:55a.m.**
Location: **22600 Block of Thrush Street in Grand Terrace, California**
Incident: **Residential Structure Fire**

Summary: At 8:55 a.m. on December 14 firefighters from San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to a residential structure fire with a possible rescue on the 22600 block of Thrush Street in Grand Terrace California.

First arriving units from San Bernardino County Fire Department found a one story home with fire and heavy black smoke coming out of the front and rear on the structure. Both residents, one in a wheel chair, exited the home as firefighters arrived to battle the blaze. One of the residents was alerted that there was a fire because of smoke coming in to his bedroom from under a closed door. Firefighter began an aggressive attack on the fire, which appeared to originate in the family room, while other firefighters cut holes in the roof over the fire to allow smoke and heat to escape.

Three paramedic fire engines, one paramedic truck, one paramedic squad, one investigator and one battalion chief, totaling 16 fire personnel were assigned to the incident. Firefighters from Colton Fire Department and Cal Fire Riverside provided mutual aid.

No injuries to civilians or firefighters were reported. Three small dogs and one cat died in the fire. The house sustained \$150,000 in structural damage and approximately \$50,000 in contents loss. The cause of the fire remains under investigation by the San Bernardino County Fire Department Office of the Fire Marshall.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department would like to remind you to check any electrically lighted decorations to make sure they operate safely. Check for burned-out lights, empty sockets and broken bulbs. Inspect wires carefully for breaks, fraying and damaged connections before turning on your decorations. Any damaged strands of lights should be thrown away.

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