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Blaze Damages Home, Two Pets Perish.

Date/Time: February 18, 2013/12:32 pm
Location: 13000 block of Pondera Ct. Victorville
Incident: Residential Structure Fire

12:32 PM

San Bernardino County Fire Units responded to a residential structure fire on the 13000 block of Pondera Ct. at 12:32pm. The first arriving unit found a single story residence with flames shooting out of a side window and heavy smoke pouring out of the eaves and doors. Fire crews were able to quickly determine that the occupants were out of the home but were advised that the two family cats were still inside. The seven fire units and 14 firefighters were able to get a quick knock down of the fire but due to the extreme heat and toxic smoke, the two pets perished in the blaze before firefighters could reach them.

The majority of the damage was confined to the living room and kitchen area with an estimated damage cost of \$60,000 while saving the remaining structure valued at more than \$150,000. There was no injuries reported and the Red Cross was not needed. The cause of the blaze is currently under investigation by San Bernardino County Fire Investigators.

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