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Fire rips through Victorville strip mall

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A fire broke out at a Victorville strip mall around 11 p.m. Thursday, April 5, officials said. (Courtesy San Bernardino County Fire Department)

Firefighters managed to prevent a strip-mall fire from damaging several businesses in Victorville late Thursday night, but not before some vacant units were damaged, an official said on Friday.

San Bernardino County firefighters were called to the 14000 block of Saint Andrews Drive around 11 p.m. Thursday, April 5.

“Quick action from initial attack crews kept the fire from spreading from the vacant, involved units into the surrounding occupied businesses,” the fire official said in a statement. “County firefighters were successful in their attack, and the fire was brought under control in approximately 22 minutes.”

No injuries were reported. The cause of the fire was under investigation, and a total-damage estimated was not completed.

<https://www.sbsun.com/2018/04/06/fire-rips-through-victorville-strip-mall/>

Late-night blaze engulfs strip mall in downtown Victorville Thursday

Rene Ray De La Cruz, Daily Press

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Firefighters battle a blaze a strip mall in Victorville late Thursday evening. [Brett Marks, for the Daily Press]

VICTORVILLE — Firefighters responded to a late-night blaze that ripped through a single-story commercial building here.

San Bernardino County firefighters responded to a fire at approximately 10:50 p.m. Thursday at a vacant, three-unit strip mall in the 14000 block of St. Andrews Drive in Victorville.

Two truck companies, four engines, one medic squad and 22 personnel responded to the incident, which was brought under control in approximately 22 minutes, according to officials.

The fire began in a building near the corner of St. Andrews and Molino drives, behind the Auto Zone located on Seventh Street. A business sign posted on the gutted building reads Paul Wendt Bookkeeping & Income Tax, Inc.

Action from initial attack crews kept the blaze from spreading from the vacant involved units into the surrounding occupied businesses.

There were no reported injuries from the blaze and damage estimates are still being compiled. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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Firefighters knock down strip mall fire in Victorville

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(Submitted photos)

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — Firefighters with **San Bernardino County Fire** responded to a fire in a vacant strip mall Thursday night.

At about 10:50 pm, firefighters responded to multiple reports of a structure fire in the 14000 block of St. Andrews Drive in Victorville.

“First arriving engine, truck, and squad from station 311 arrived in 4 minutes to find a single story commercial strip mall with three units well involved with fire,” stated SBC Fire in a Facebook post.

Firefighters entered into a defensive mode as they worked aggressively to keep the fire from extending into adjacent businesses.

Quick action from initial attack crews kept the fire from spreading from the vacant involved units into the surrounding occupied businesses. County firefighters were successful in their attack, and the fire was brought under control in approximately twenty-two minutes.

No injuries were reported and damage estimates are still being compiled. The cause remains under investigation.

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Vehicle Fire In Joshua Tree National Park

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A car completely burned in a fire in Joshua Tree National Park Thursday afternoon. **County Fire Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle** said Twentynine Palms

firefighters were called to assist park rangers with the vehicle fire, which was on Pinto Basin Road near the Cholla Gardens about 1:30 p.m. Due to

the distance inside the park, the fire had burned out by the time firefighters arrived. The cause is under investigation.

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1 child, 2 adults airlifted after head- on crash on National Trails Highway

Staff Writer, VVNG

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(Submitted Photo)

HELENDALE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — One juvenile and two adults were airlifted to trauma centers following a head-on traffic collision in Oro Grande Thursday morning.

It happened at about 8:20 am, in the 20800 block of National Trails Highway, near Robinson Ranch Road. First responders arrived and located a white Ford Escape and a red Hyundai Sonata SUV with major damage and parties trapped.

Firefighters with **San Bernardino County Fire** responded to the scene and extricated two adult patients, a 37-year-old man in a red 2017 Hyundai Sonata and a 39-year-old woman in a white 2001 Ford Escape, both residents of Helendale.

A 7-year-old girl in the Escape was helped from the vehicle and transported by ground ambulance to Victor Valley Global Medical Center and later flown to Loma Linda University Medical Center.

San Bernardino County Fire Battalion Chief Kenny Halseth, said two airships landed at the scene and transported both adult patients classified as ‘immediate’ to trauma centers down the hill.

“There was a dead dog in one of the vehicles,” said Halseth.

According to California Highway Patrol Officer Michael Mumford, the Ford was traveling southbound and the Hyundai was traveling in the opposite direction.

“For reasons still under investigation both vehicles collided head-on in the northbound lane,” stated Mumford. Drugs or alcohol are not believed to be a factor in this collision and all occupants were properly restrained, officials said.

The official cause of the crash remains under investigation by the Victorville CHP station. CHP Officers are asking anyone who might have witnessed the crash to contact the Victorville office at (760)241-1186.

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