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## SHED FIRE IN JOSHUA TREE SATURDAY

Staff Writer, Z107.7 FM News

Posted: March 4, 2019

A shed was destroyed by fire in Joshua Tree Saturday afternoon.

**County Fire** Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle said firefighters from Joshua Tree, Yucca Mesa, and Yucca Valley were called at 3:20 p.m. to the 6000 block of Sunflower.

A shed next to a detached garage was fully involved with flames when they arrived.

Firefighters made an aggressive effort to keep the blaze from spreading to the garage and had the fire knocked down in 10 minutes.

There were no injuries and the cause is still under investigation.

<http://z1077fm.com/shed-fire-in-joshua-tree-saturday/>

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## FREE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EVENT IN YUCCA VALLEY THIS SATURDAY

Staff Writer, Z107.7 FM News

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Learn practical emergency applications and preparedness tips from a variety of demonstrations, classes, and presentations at a community preparedness day set for this Saturday, March 9, in Yucca Valley. There will be hands-on training, booths, and more, and it's all free. Rebecca Havelly says it's a great opportunity for residents to learn how to help themselves and their neighbors in different types of emergencies...

Some of the presentations during the free community preparedness day are about the American Red Cross and the Red Cross's Pillowcase Project for kids. There's also a class on hands-only CPR. Learn how to stop bleeding using tourniquets in a free class. Registration is required for this class; see this story at [z1077fm.com](http://z1077fm.com) for more information. There will be booths and demonstrations on basic first aid; ham radio; emergency plans for you and your animals; how to store food and water; how to install emergency phone apps; CERT demonstrations, and more. The event is set for Saturday, March 9 from 10 to 2 at the Yucca Valley Community Center.

Presentations and class schedule:

Every 30 minutes: **SB County** Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle – “Until Help Arrives” with firemen teaching short ongoing classes for hands on CPR

Come learn, practice or refresh your knowledge. (I am no longer physically able to perform CPR but I could direct someone on how to – or could I? Do I know the current method? What is the cadence? Where is my CPR reference guide? Better refresh my skills.)

10-11:30 a.m.: “Stop the Bleed.” Learn how to help in a bleeding emergency using tourniquets. Must pre-register on Eventbrite at [www.Mbstopthebleed.eventbrite.com](http://www.Mbstopthebleed.eventbrite.com), or call <http://www.Mbstopthebleed.eventbrite.com> Sunny at 760-366-4679. (Class limited to 35 participants.)

Noon: SCE's Jennifer Cusack will cover downed wires and fast moving brush fires.

11 a.m. and 1 p.m.: Sunny Evans – American Red Cross – Pillow Case project. Presentation teaches children how to react and be prepared in a disaster and then, go home and teach their parents.

1:30 p.m.: American Red Cross by Dan Coleman. Learn what the Red Cross does, how they support victims, and how they can help you prepare.

CERT will be teaching cribbing (removable of persons from debris safely) and triage technique, Morongo Basin COAD – solar cooking in spare tires.

<http://z1077fm.com/free-emergency-preparedness-event-in-yucca-valley-this-saturday/>

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## **Two people are able to walk away from rollover accident in Fontana on March 3**

Mike Myers, Fontana Herald News

Posted: March 4, 2019



Police investigated the cause of this rollover accident in northwestern Fontana on March 3. (Contributed photo by Mike Myers)

The Fontana Police Department and the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department responded to a rollover accident in the 14300 block of Foothill Boulevard in the northwestern area of Fontana on March 3.

At about 11 p.m., the driver of a gray Nissan Altima was traveling eastbound in the No. 1 lane of Foothill.

According to authorities, the driver hit the center divider and flipped his car onto its rooftop.

The driver and his passenger were able to walk away from the accident without serious injuries.

The Fontana P.D. is handling the investigation.

[https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/two-people-are-able-to-walk-away-from-rollover-accident/article\\_709f4dce-3e96-11e9-9a95-c388fc1e661f.html](https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/two-people-are-able-to-walk-away-from-rollover-accident/article_709f4dce-3e96-11e9-9a95-c388fc1e661f.html)

## Churchgoer hit by car, airlifted from Holy Innocents in Victorville

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News

Posted: March 3, 2019



VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A 76-year-old woman leaving a Sunday night service at a local church was hit by a vehicle in the parking lot.

It happened at about 6:33 pm, at the Holy Innocents Catholic Church on the 13200 block of El Evado Road.

According to reports, the woman was struck by a vehicle at slow speeds in the parking lot causing her to sustain possible injuries to her ribs.

**San Bernardino County Firefighters** responded and requested an airship.

County helicopter h325 landed at the scene and airlifted the woman to Antelope Valley Hospital.

Additional information will be updated as it becomes available.

<https://www.vvng.com/churchgoer-hit-by-car-airlifted-from-holy-innocents-in-victorville/>

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## Two dead, one injured in Friday crashes

Paola Baker, Daily Press

Posted: March 3, 2019



Authorities treat a pedestrian hurt in a crash in Victorville on Friday. Authorities prepare to fly out a pedestrian hurt in a crash.

Authorities said two people died and a pedestrian was flown out to a trauma center in three separate crashes that occurred Friday.

The California Highway Patrol is still investigating two fatal crashes that occurred Friday, with the first happening at 10:14 am that morning on northbound I-15 south of Oak Hill Road in the Cajon Pass.

Details on the crash are scarce, but the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department Coroner's Division said it was a rollover crash that involved a Ford Explorer. The driver, 57-year-old Hesperia resident Gabriel Garcia Rios, was taken to Desert Valley Hospital where he was pronounced dead at 11:20 a.m.

The second crash occurred at 4:30 pm on a dirt trail near the 35000 block of Old Woman Springs Road in Lucerne Valley. Coroner's Division officials said a Hyundai Elantra headed south was struck by a street sweeper with "its brushes up" at the intersection of Old Woman Springs Road and Visalia Avenue.

The driver of the Elantra was pronounced dead on scene. The identity of the driver is being withheld pending positive identification and notification of next of kin.

The third crash happened Friday night in Victorville near the intersection of Roy Rogers and Civic Drives.

Sheriff's officials said a pedestrian who was standing in the roadway "for unknown reasons" was struck by a minivan headed west on Roy Rogers Drive.

"The driver couldn't avoid the pedestrian and struck him," Sheriff's spokeswoman Cindy Bachman said. The minivan then veered into the left lane and struck another vehicle after the initial impact, causing minor damage.

Bachman said the pedestrian was flown out to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

His injuries were classified to be major, but further details weren't available Saturday.

The CHP's Victorville office is investigating the the Cajon Pass crash and the Lucerne Valley Their office can be reached at 760-241-1186.

The Victorville Sheriff's Station is investigating the pedestrian crash. Anyone with information is urged to contact the station at 760-241-2911. Persons wishing to remain anonymous can contact the We-Tip Hotline at 1-800-782-7463 or online at [www.wetip.com](http://www.wetip.com).

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## Driver killed, passenger airlifted after crash on Old Woman Springs Road in Lucerne Valley

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News

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(Photo: Pam Romero Hardwick)

LUCERNE VALLEY, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A man was killed and a second man was flown to a trauma center after their vehicle was t-boned by a street sweeper Friday afternoon.

It happened on March 1, 2019, at the intersection of Old Woman Springs Road and Visalia Avenue in Lucerne Valley.

At about 4:30 pm, a Hyundai Elantra was traveling south on a dirt trail towards the 35000 block of Old Woman Springs Road.

According to the San Bernardino County Coroner's office, the Hyundai was struck by a street sweeper, with its brushes up, traveling at highway speeds.

**San Bernardino County Firefighters** arrived on scene and located the four-door sedan with major damage.

Despite life-saving measures, the male driver of the vehicle was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Firefighters requested County helicopter h325 to airlift the second person suffering from life-threatening injuries to Arrowhead Regional Medical Center.

The identity of the driver will be released once notification of next of kin is complete.

The official cause of the accident remains under investigation by the California Highway Patrol – Victorville Office.

<https://www.vvng.com/driver-killed-passenger-critical-after-crash-on-old-woman-springs-road-in-lucerne-valley/>

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## **57-year-old Hesperia man dies after rollover crash in Cajon Pass**

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News

Posted: March 2, 2019



(Hugo C. Valdez, Victor Valley News)

HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A 57-year-old Hesperia man rushed to a hospital following a rollover crash in the cajon pass has died, officials confirmed.

It happened on Friday, March 1, 2019, at about 10:14 am, on the northbound I-15 freeway, approximately a half mile south of Oak Hill Road.

**San Bernardino County Firefighters** responded to the scene and located an overturned red Ford Explorer with two occupants injured when the SUV rolled over.

The driver, Gabriel Garcia Rios, was transported to Desert Valley Hospital where he was pronounced deceased at 11:20 am, according to the San Bernardino County Coroner's office.

Additional information will be updated as it becomes available.

The official cause of the crash is under investigation by the California Highway Patrol.

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