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Home Burns in Hesperia

Date/Time: June 14, 2013 / 1430 Hrs. Location: 17900 Block of Linden St., Hesperia Incident: Residential Structure Fire

An afternoon fire at a home in Hesperia did \$60,000 in damage Friday. A woman in the home smelled smoke and called 911 before getting everyone out safely. San Bernardino County Fire Department responded with 4 engines, a truck and 2 ambulances, Apple Valley Fire Protection District assisted with one engine. Firefighters arrived to find a large amount of smoke and fire in the home and a detached garage. The stubborn fire took 25 minutes to contain. There were no reported injuries.

The fire is currently under investigation to determine an exact cause. Firefighters did note that the home did not have a working smoke detector. A working smoke detector may have detected the fire earlier and minimized the damage, it also could have alerted the family at night if they had been sleeping.