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Fire Destroys Dental Office

Date/Time: **June 14, 2012, 3:22 a.m.**
Location: **Western Dental Office, 10100 block of Sierra Ave., Fontana**
Incident: **Commercial Fire**

Summary: San Bernardino County firefighters responded to an early morning structure fire at the Western Dental office in Fontana. Upon their arrival five minutes later, heavy smoke was billowing from all sides of the 3100 square foot building with flames shooting out from the rear of the structure.

With an aggressive attack, 26 firefighters extinguished the blaze within a half hour.

The fire started at the rear of the building and had been burning awhile before being noticed and reported by a passing motorist. Although firefighters contained the fire to the rear of the facility, due to the type of equipment and materials inside the building, heat from the fire radiated throughout the office, melting everything within reach.

The structure of the business remains standing; however all content within was destroyed. Damage is estimated at over a million dollars. The fire remains under investigation by San Bernardino County Fire Investigators.

Photos are available at www.sbcfire.org under latest news.

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