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Man riding bicycle in Victorville hit, killed by SUV

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The bicycle rider was in the northbound lane of 1st Avenue when he was struck by an SUV. (Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victorville Valley News)

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A man riding a bicycle died after being struck by an SUV Tuesday night in Victorville at about 7:08 p.m., police said.

The rider was hit while riding in the northbound lane of 1st Avenue between Sholic and Winona Streets by a black 1999 black Isuzu, Victorville Deputy Adam Hylin told Victor Valley News.

The bicyclist, described by witnesses as a man in his early 20's, suffered fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased on scene by San Bernardino County Fire personnel.

"There was a nurse on scene and my dad was helping her tend to him but it was too late," stated local resident Lacy Quintanar Lucero.

The driver of the involved vehicle remained on scene and cooperated with officials.

"There needs to be more street lights and [sidewalks.] People can't see pedestrians at all and they have nowhere else to walk or ride their bicycles but in the street," stated Lucero.

Police say the man was wearing all black clothing and did not appear to have the proper safety equipment for riding at night. A pair of red boxing gloves were found near the deceased male.

According to the California Department of Motor Vehicles website (DMV), each year in California, more than 100 bicyclists are killed and over 10,000 are injured in collisions.

Using lights and reflectors at night is the law in California (CVC §21201).

The DMV says during darkness, bicyclists should avoid wearing dark clothing and **must** have the following equipment:

- A front lamp emitting a white light visible from a distance of 300 feet.
- A rear red reflector or a solid or flashing red light with a built in reflector visible from a distance of 500 feet.
- A white or yellow reflector on each pedal or on the bicyclist's shoes or ankles visible from a distance of 200 feet.

• A white or yellow reflector on the front wheel, a white or red reflector on the rear wheel, or reflectorized tires.

The bike was described as black in color. The name of the man who was killed is being withheld until next of kin has been notified.

Police do not believe drugs or alcohol were factors in the crash.

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YUCCA VALLEY WOMAN ACCUSED OF ARSON

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A Yucca Valley woman was arrested Tuesday, accused of arson. Just before noon, a passer-by called to report a fire in a vacant lot northwest of the intersection of Prescott Avenue and Highway 62. Firefighters quickly put out the small vegetation fire.

A witness noticed a woman lighting the fire and leaving the scene.

Deputies checked the area and found a woman, identified as Kimberly Webber, 44, who matched the description of the suspect.

After an investigation, Kimberly Webber was arrested on suspicion of arson, booked into the West Valley Detention Center, with her bail set at \$50,000.

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Aviation and fire personnel rescue an injured hiker in Bonita Falls

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Sheriff's helicopters using night-vision goggles rescued injured hiker stuck on a 4-by-4-foot ledge above the base of Bonita Falls in Lytle Creek on Sunday.

At 5:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, AR306 and 40King3 were requested by **San Bernardino County Fire** to the area a report of an injured hiker that was stuck and could not hike down.

40King3 arrived on scene and spoke with San Bernardino County Fire incident commander, who had a team of firefighters hiking to the base of the falls for patient contact. 40King3 found the victim in a location not accessible to ground personnel, high above the waterfall, on the ledge. 40King3 determined the only way to get the victim was by a hoist rescue.

AR306 positioned overhead of the victim and Deputy W. Hess lowered Medic R. Potter to the victim. It was determined that the victim had minor injuries and he was then placed into a rescue harness. Once the medic had the victim ready, AR306 hoisted the victim to the helicopter followed by the medic.

AR306 took the victim, 29-year-old Grayson Roberts of Eastvale, to a nearby landing zone where he was treated by paramedics.nit

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Specialized teams join recovery effort in fire zones

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CHICO – (INT) – Several Urban Search & Rescue (USAR) teams and Human Remains Detection Canine Search Teams are being deployed from across California to assist law enforcement with the search for, and recovery of, victims missing in Butte County, Paradise and other towns devastated by the Camp Fire.

One of the teams is from San Bernardino County.

Among the specialized resources responding to aid in the search are four teams each consisting of 29 members from local government fire departments, three local/state/national US&R Task Forces (each consisting of 35 members from California fire departments,) and ten Urban Search & Rescue Human Remains Detection Canine Teams.

Thirty-seven personnel from US&R CA-TF3 from San Diego Fire and Rescue Department and 29 personnel from California Regional TF6 **San Bernardino County Fire** Department joined the response efforts.

During the deployment, California USAR resources will use their specialized human and canine skills to assist in the search for missing victims in nearly 13,000 residential, commercial and public buildings that burned in the fast-moving fire.

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EDITORIALS/OPINIONS/LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to those who stepped up

Marjorie Smith of Yucca Valley, Hi-Desert Star

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I want to thank all the organizations and volunteers who helped in the Joshua Tree flood and debris disaster. We never know when a disaster will occur so as a community we need to be prepared.

Big thanks to those who stepped up when they were asked to deploy in the recovery effort: San Bernardino County Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters, Morongo Basin Community Organizations Active in Disasters, the Office of Emergency Services, the Community Emergency Response Team, and California Militia and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The volunteer force was about 52 people strong. Team Rubicon (veterans skilled in disaster recovery) led the strike teams. Community organizations stepped up when asked — Walmart providing a sub sandwich, fried chicken and a decorated cake lunch for 50, Home Depot providing transfer shovels, Salvation Army offered emotional services, Seventh-day Adventist Church delivered cleanup kits all the way from Bakersfield, Dominoes provided pizza for the first-day damage assessment team's lunch and the **San Bernardino County fire** department provided an incident command post on Oct. 27.

We realized that there was not enough room for briefing at the fire department, so the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saint opened their larger facility Nov. 3.

Where do you serve lunch to 50 people with seating and restrooms? Faith Lutheran Church on Hallee Road provided the answer. Watched the weary teams arrive for lunch and go right back out again within an hour!

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