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Firefighters Respond to a Fatal Fire in Fontana

Date/Time: January 7, 2017 12:50pm

Location: 11000 Block of Teak Ln, Fontana, CA Incident: Residential Structure Fire with Fatality

Fontana, CA- Firefighters from the San Bernardino County Fire Dept. responded to reports of a two-story residential structure fire on the 11000 block of Teak Lane in Fontana. The call was received at 12:15 P.M. with Firefighters arriving on scene within 10 minutes. While in route to the call, crews were notified that a Fontana police officer was on scene reporting that there was a victim trapped in the home. The officer made entry into the home to rescue the resident. Unfortunately, the officer was turned backed by heavy smoke and heat. The officer was treated on scene for smoke inhalation and later transported to an area hospital by AMR Ambulance for treatment. The officer's injuries are not life threatening.

First arriving firefighters found heavy smoke coming from the second story of the structure. Firefighters made entry and were able to locate the victim. The victim had suffered fatal injuries. No other victims were found in the home. Additional firefighters attacked the fire and had it extinguished approximately 25 minutes after arrival.

Investigators are on scene trying to determine the cause of the fire as well as the identity of the victim. Fire crews will remain on scene to overhaul the structure once the investigation is completed.

Four (4) medic engines, two (2) truck companies, one (1) medic squad, one (1) battalion chief, and two (2) fire investigators responded to the incident. Damage estimates to the structure were not available at time of this release.

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