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Firefighters battle structure fire in Highland

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Firefighters are battling a structure fire at Highland Avenue and Victoria Street in Highland Thursday morning leading to some traffic issues around the area.

The fire was first reported around 5 a.m. to California Highway Patrol dispatchers who then transferred the assignment to police and **San Bernardino County Sheriff's** and **Fire** officials. Crews were still on scene just before 7 a.m.

It wasn't immediately clear if anyone was hurt in the fire or how it started.

<https://www.pe.com/2018/02/15/firefighters-battle-structure-fire-in-highland/>

Over 205 ticketed at King of Hammers week

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LANDERS — Law enforcement officers cited people on charges ranging from illegal fireworks to selling without a permit at the King of Hammers Feb. 3-10 in Johnson Valley.

The off-road racing event brought more than 50,000 people to the OHV area, according to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

Morongo Basin sheriff's personnel collaborated with the **County Fire** Department, Bureau of Land Management, California Highway Patrol and Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center to provide public safety services.

All agencies were able to communicate with the same radio frequency, which was staffed by BLM dispatchers, as the Sheriff's Department recently upgraded its analog system to a digital one, according to a news release.

The following are the law enforcement contacts for the week:

- Drug and alcohol violations: 40 citations, 38 warnings.
- Driver's license violations: 12 citations, 51 warnings.
- Littering: one citation.
- Equipment violations: 10 citations, 130 warnings.
- Firearm violations: three warnings.
- Fireworks: two citations, 10 warnings.
- Hazards: two citations, 11 warnings.
- Reckless driving: three citations, 23 warnings.
- Vehicle registration violations: 34 citations, 104 warnings.
- Vehicle safety violations: 38 citations, 79 warnings.
- Vendor violations: 11 warnings.
- Supplemental registration: nine warnings.
- Miscellaneous traffic violations: 10 citations, 37 warnings.

- Driving under the influence: four arrests, one citations and release.
- Narcotics: one arrest, 21 citations.
- Battery: two citations.
- Warrants: 27 citations and releases.
- Medical calls with law enforcement response: 26.
- Lost/missing person investigations: nine.
- Field interviews: 47.
- Public assistance calls: 250.
- Total public contacts: 1,355.

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2 children airlifted; 3 others injured after crash on Village Drive in Victorville

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VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — Two children were airlifted to trauma centers and three other's were rushed to local hospitals following a traffic collision Wednesday afternoon.

At about 4:14 p.m., San Bernardino County Sheriff's Deputies along with San Bernardino County Fire and American Medical Response (AMR) were dispatched to a traffic collision with people trapped.

Upon arrival, first responders located a white Dodge Ram truck and a Toyota Corolla with major damage and blocking the intersection of Village Drive and Puesta Del Sol Drive in Victorville. Two adults and three children inside the sedan were injured and requiring medical attention.

Due to the number of injuries, firefighters upgraded the response type to a mass casualty incident (MC).

According to San Bernardino County Fire spokesman Eric Sherwin, two pediatric patients were airlifted from the scene to Loma Linda University Medical Center and three other adult patients were transported by ground ambulances to various hospitals.

Sherwin confirmed the initial call was reported as requiring extrication but was unable to confirm if firefighters required the jaws of life to extricate any victims. The driver of the pick-up truck declined medical treatment at the scene.

Officials at the scene determined the crash occurred when the Toyota pulled out in front of the Dodge Ram, traveling west on Village Drive. The sedan broadsided the pick-up truck as it attempted to turn left onto Puesta Del Sol Drive.

Alcohol or drugs are not suspected to be a factor in this crash.

Village Drive is expected to remain closed between Puesta Del Sol Drive and Blue Canyon Road until approximately 10:00 p.m., while the Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) processes the scene.

Neighbors in the area are expressing frustration over the safety of the road where tonight's crash occurred.

In February 2017, an 11-year-old boy walking home from school was struck by a vehicle on Village Drive near Puesta Del Sol Drive, as he attempted to run across the street.

“That area is very dangerous! The cars come flying around that bend! I take my kids to Puesta Del Sol School and I'm so scared to cross!,” stated Vero Juarez.

Vero told Victor Valley News she plans on starting a petition in hopes of getting the city to do something. “I would really like to see a traffic signal or 4-way stop sign installed. A lot of kids walk home and have to cross Village...it's so dangerous.”

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5 hurt in Village Drive crash

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County firefighters and Sheriff's deputies investigate the crash between a Dodge Ram and a Toyota sedan on Village Drive in Victorville on Wednesday. [James Quiqq, Daily Press]

VICTORVILLE — Authorities said five people were injured in a crash on Village Drive here Wednesday afternoon.

Reported around 4:10 p.m., the crash occurred at the intersection of Village and Puesta Del Sol drives and involved a white Dodge Ram pickup truck and a dark blue Toyota sedan.

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department officials said the crash occurred as the Dodge Ram headed west on Village Drive, while the blue Toyota prepared to make a left hand from Puesta Del Sol Drive.

“Right now, it appears like the small sedan pulled out in front of the truck and was broadsided,” Victorville Sheriff's Station spokeswoman Mara Rodriguez said.

The Toyota was occupied by its driver and four others, including three children. Victorville Sheriff's Sgt. Steve Pennington said the driver and one child were trapped inside and had to be extricated from the Toyota. The driver of the Dodge Ram reported no injuries, Rodriguez said.

All occupants in the Toyota were injured in the crash. Two of them were airlifted to trauma centers, according to **San Bernardino County Fire** Department spokesman Eric Sherwin.

The children were transported by ground ambulance for treatment, according to Rodriguez. Further details on their injuries weren't available.

Village Drive was closed in both directions from Blue Canyon Road to just east of Puesta Del Sol Drive. It's expected to remain closed until 10 p.m. Wednesday, Rodriguez said.

Alcohol, drugs, or other factors are not yet suspected in this crash, which remains under investigation. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Victorville Sheriff's 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.

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