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Man killed in house fire

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A flower-and-candle memorial marks the burned out mobile home where Alberto Madrid died in a structure fire. Neighbors say he assisted several occupants out of the burning home.

A mobile home fire took the life of Highland resident Alberto Madrid, 25, early Saturday morning, March 9.

Neighbors say he died a hero, having assisted several residents from the burning home.

According to Cal Fire, Highland fire crews, assisted by San Manuel and **San Bernardino County fire** units, responded to the structure fire early Saturday morning at a mobile home park on the 7200 block of Sterling Avenue.

Although the home was “well involved” when firefighters arrived on scene, they were able to extinguish the fire before it spread to any other structures.

A body was found in the debris and confirmed dead at the scene.

According to Jesus Gonzalez who witnessed the fire, Alberto Madrid, 25, who lived in another part of the park, died after assisting two children and a grandfather out of the burning home.

Gonzalez, a friend of Madrid’s, says Madrid had just left his mobile home to meet his girlfriend for breakfast when the fire was first reported.

According to Juan Maldonado who lives a few spaces down, several people helped get the residents to safety and did not see that Madrid had gone back into the home.

“It was just seconds,” Gonzalez said. “Alberto had a beautiful smile and was kind to everybody. He was sent to do a task and it was accomplished. That’s the way I see it.”

Gonzalez says this was the third time Madrid helped people during a fire.

https://www.highlandnews.net/news/public_safety/man-killed-in-house-fire/article_6aa88226-44d8-11e9-9dde-e367bce14f64.html

Ambulances Respond to Victorville Prison Monday night

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UPDATE 3/12 – According to a news release from prison officials, staff responded to several housing units after receiving a report of multiple inmates fighting at the United States Penitentiary (USP) Victorville. Six staff and three inmates sustained non-life threatening injuries requiring outside medical treatment.

The incident was immediately contained and the institution was placed on modified operations. At no time was the public in danger. The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been notified and an investigation will be conducted.

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — **San Bernardino County Fire** responded to the Victorville prison today after an incident left several people injured Monday.

Emergency crews were dispatched sometime after 7 pm on Monday evening to reports of a mass casualty incident (MCI), meaning firefighters prepared to triage and help a large amount of injured victims.

Eight ambulances were initially requested, however, upon assessing the situation, only four ambulances were needed, SB County Fire Captain Jeremy Kern confirmed.

Fire officials were not able to provide further details regarding the nature of the incident and referred those questions to a prison spokesperson, who was not immediately available.

Unconfirmed reports indicated that a riot had occurred between opposing gang members and scanner traffic indicated that at least one of the victims may have been a prison guard.

The United States Penitentiary in Victorville is a high-security United States federal prison for male inmates in California and is located on 13777 Air Base Rd, Victorville, CA 92394.

All injuries were reported to be minor.

Victor Valley News has reached out for additional information, please check back for updates.

<https://www.vvng.com/ambulances-respond-to-victorville-prison-monday-night/>

4 hospitalized after incident at Victorville federal prison

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The Federal Correctional Complex in Victorville on Friday, Aug. 3, 2018. (Photo by Stan Lim, The Press-Enterprise/SCNG)

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The **San Bernardino County Fire** Department says there was a “mass casualty” incident at the Mojave Desert lockup northeast of Los Angeles on Monday night. Eight patients were examined and four of them were taken to hospitals for treatment of moderate injuries. The other injuries are minor.

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Firefighters initially were sent to the prison at 7:07 p.m.

The Victorville Federal Correctional Complex includes one maximum-security prison and two medium-security prisons, according to the complex’s website. The high-security prison has 1,191 inmates. One medium security prison has 1,245 inmates while the other has 1,313, according to their websites.

<https://www.sbsun.com/2019/03/11/4-hospitalized-after-incident-at-victorville-federal-prison/>

Victorville Federal Prison Riot Leads to Several Injuries

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VICTORVILLE, Calif. – A riot sent four inmates at the Federal Correctional Complex to the hospital on Monday evening.

At around 7:15 p.m., **San Bernardino County Fire** officials responded to the Federal Corrections Facility in the 13000 block of Air Expressway in the City of Victorville in response to a mass casualty incident.

San Bernardino County Fire Department responded with two fire engines and five ambulances responded to the incident location.

Fire officials said that a total of eight patients were triaged at the scene and four suffering from moderate injuries were transported to local hospitals for treatment.

Due to the quick actions of prison staff placing the remainder of the inmates in lockdown, no other injuries were reported.

It is unclear if any prison staff are injured at this time. Information will be updated as it is received.

<https://247headline.com/victorville-federal-prison-riot-leads-to-several-injuries/>

8 injured at federal prison in California

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The Federal Correctional Complex, Victorville houses about 1,300 inmates, including some in high security.

<https://www.sfgate.com/news/article/8-injured-at-federal-prison-in-California-13681048.php>