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## **JOSHUA TREE WOMAN FOUND DEAD AFTER FRIDAY HOUSE FIRE**

Staff Writer, z1077news

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A woman and her pets died in an apparently accidental housefire in Joshua Tree Friday afternoon. According to **County Fire** Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle, firefighters were called to a home at 60769 La Mirada Trail about 1 p.m. While en route to the fire, Tuttle said firefighters learned that a woman was possibly trapped inside the home. When fire crews arrived, heavy smoke and flames were visible from the rear of the single story, single-family home; they began an offensive attack on the blaze, and made an unsuccessful search for trapped occupants and pets inside the home. The fire was under control in about 18 minutes. Firefighters then went back into the home and during a second search, found a deceased woman, as well as two cats and a dog, who had died in different locations inside. Arson investigators have been called in to determine the cause of the fire. The woman's identity has not yet been released by the coroner's office. Tuttle reminds residents that it's never safe to re-enter a burning building; all occupants should evacuate first and then call 911.

<http://z1077fm.com/local-news/todays-full-newscast/>

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### **Woman dies in apparently accidental house fire in Joshua Tree**

Nikie Johnson, The Press-Enterprise

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A woman was found dead after a house fire was extinguished Friday, Feb. 23, 2018, in the 60700 block of La Mirada Trail in Joshua Tree. (Via Google Maps)

A woman was found dead after an apparently accidental house fire in Joshua Tree was extinguished Friday, Feb. 23, San Bernardino County authorities said.

Investigators are still working to confirm the victim's identity and cause of death, but they believe it was the homeowner and that she died in the fire and not from something before, sheriff's Sgt. Steve Everhart said Sunday.

It was reported just before 1 p.m. Friday in the 60700 block of La Mirada Trail, a neighborhood of single-family homes about a mile south of Highway 62. The woman's remains were found inside after the flames were put out, a coroner's release said.

The fire's exact cause is still under investigation but authorities have determined it wasn't arson, Everhart said.

<https://www.sbsun.com/2018/02/25/woman-dies-in-apparently-accidental-house-fire-in-joshua-tree/>

## ONE DEAD IN JOSHUA TREE HOUSE FIRE

Staff Writer, z1077news

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One person died in a fire in Joshua Tree Friday afternoon. According to **County Fire** Battalion Chief Scott Tuttle, firefighters from Joshua Tree, Yucca Valley, and Yucca Mesa, and Twentynine Palms were called to a home in the 60700 block of La Mirada Trail about 1 p.m. Friday. While en route to the fire, fire crews learned that a woman was possibly trapped inside the home. Heavy smoke and flames were visible from the rear of a single story single-family home when fire crews arrived; firefighters began an offensive attack on the blaze, and began an unsuccessful search for trapped occupants and pets in areas inside the home where they most likely would be. The fire was under control in about 18 minutes. Firefighters then went back into the home and did a secondary search and found a deceased woman near the rear sliding glass doors, as well as two cats and a dog that had died in different locations inside. Arson investigators have been called in to determine the cause of the fire. The woman's identity has not yet been released by the coroner's office. Tuttle reminds residents that it's never safe to re-enter a burning building; all occupants should evacuate first and then call 911.

<http://z1077fm.com/one-dead-in-joshua-tree-house-fire/>

## Attic fire extinguished on 26th Street

Hector Hernandez Jr. , Highland News

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San Bernardino County firefighters finish off a residential attic fire Friday morning, Feb. 23, on 26th Street.

**San Bernardino County Fire** firefighters quickly extinguished a residential attic fire on Friday morning, Feb. 23, on the 25000 block of 26th Street.

According to Battalion Chief Bryant O'Hara, firefighters first received the call for a residential fire at 8:18 a.m. with the report of a man trapped inside. Fire crews went into immediate search and rescue upon arrival. While the man had gotten out of the home on his own the firefighters did locate and save a dog.

"We initiated an aggressive interior attack," O'Hara said, "and were successful in containing the fire to the [west] side of the home."

The response of one battalion chief, four engines and one truck (about 15 firefighters in total) put the fire out in less than 30 minutes.

While the fire was first noticed near a wall heater the cause of the fire is still under investigation, O'Hara said.

According to the home owner who did not want to be named, he first smelled smoke and then saw glowing behind the wall above the heater. He then woke everyone up and evacuated the home.

There were no reported injuries but the home was left uninhabitable.

[https://www.highlandnews.net/news/public\\_safety/attic-fire-extinguished-on-th-street/article\\_d2545a12-18f6-11e8-bafa-033c45d05149.html](https://www.highlandnews.net/news/public_safety/attic-fire-extinguished-on-th-street/article_d2545a12-18f6-11e8-bafa-033c45d05149.html)

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## Shooting reported on Highland-San Bernardino border; authorities investigating

Beatriz E. Valenzuela, San Bernardino Sun

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Paramedics were called to the area of Third Street and Palm Avenue on the Highland-San Bernardino border to treat a gunshot victim Friday afternoon, according to **San Bernardino County fire** officials.

The shooting was reported just after 12:30 p.m. and paramedics from Cal Fire — which generally covers Highland — and county fire — which generally covers San Bernardino — were dispatched to the location, officials said. Cal Fire took over the scene and canceled the need for county fire.

The condition of the shooting victim wasn't immediately available.

Initial reports indicate the shooting may have taken place near Ninth Street and Del Rosa Avenue, which borders the jurisdictions of the San Bernardino Police Department and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department.

<https://www.sbsun.com/2018/02/23/shooting-reported-on-highland-san-bernardino-border-authorities-investigating/>

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## **No students injured in Friday morning school bus crash**

Staff Writer, VVNG

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(photo by Sonia Silva)

**VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com)** — A small school bus carrying two students was involved in a minor traffic accident here Friday morning.

At about 8:30 a.m., **San Bernardino County Fire** responded to the intersection of Highway 395 and Palmdale Road reference a school bus accident.

Upon arrival, authorities located the small bus with front end damage and two other vehicles blocking eastbound lanes of Palmdale Road, near the exit to the Burger King restaurant.

According to San Bernardino County Fire spokesman Eric Sherwin, the bus was occupied by two children at the time of the crash. Two adult patients classified as delayed, were transported to local hospitals. Sherwin confirmed neither of the students were transported for injuries.

The crash is being handled by the California Highway Patrol – Victorville office. Please check back for updates.

<http://www.vvng.com/no-students-injured-friday-morning-school-bus-crash/>