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Time: 3:15 P.M.

Location: 16400 block Juniper Hesperia

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County Fire Battles Structure Fire in Hesperia

On Tuesday March 1st at 315 p.m. #SBCoFD received numerous reports of a structure fire at the 16400 block of Juniper street in the City of #Hesperia. Initial reports stated that heavy smoke and fire was coming from the windows of an abandoned house.

County Fire Medic Engine 22 arrived on scene in seven minutes to find a fully involved single story abandoned structure with heavy fire coming from all windows. Initial fire attack was initiated with priority to the adjacent homes which were directly threatened by fire. Once the exposure threat was mitigated crews extinguished the fire in about 25 minutes. Firefighters were initially hampered by security bars through - out the involved structure. Once access was gained a primary search of the building was conducted which was all clear. Due to the quick actions of initial attack crews damage to the adjacent homes was limited to minor exterior damage. No injuries to firefighters or civilians were reported.

County Fire responded with 4 #paramedic engine companies. 1 paramedic truck company, 1 battalion chief and 1 fire investigator for a total of 16 personnel. The cause is currently under investigation by the Office of the Fire Marshal.