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SBCoFD Firefighters Respond To Fire At Grow House in Hesperia

Date/Time: Saturday, January 26, 2019 8:46pm **Location:** 11k block Oakwood avenue Hesperia **Incident:** Residential Structure Fire #19-018386

Summary: At 8:45pm this evening, San Bernardino County Fire responded to multiple reports of smoke coming from the attic of a residential home. Medic truck 304 arrived in seven minutes and reported smoke coming from the attic vents of a single-story residential home. Firefighters entered the home and initiated an offensive fire attack. Firefighters priorities were to search the home for any occupants and limit the spread of the fire that was established in the attic. Upon entry a partial collapse of the roof to the center of the structure hampered suppression efforts. During the fire attack it was found that the home was being used for a possible grow operation. Once the main fire was knocked down firefighters exited the building in order to ensure conditions were safe to continue operations. At that point defensive fire streams were used from the exterior to suppress the remaining fire. Once it was confirmed that all power was secured to the structure and investigators as well as sheriff's officials cleared the structure overhaul operations could be completed.

The fire was controlled in approximately thirty minutes with no injuries to civilians or firefighters reported. Three engines, one truck company, one chief officer, one medic ambulance and one investigator totaling 16 personnel from County Fire were assigned to the incident.

Damage estimates are still being evaluated. The fire remains under investigation by the County Office of the Fire Marshal and the SBCo Sheriff's Department.

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