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Firefighters extinguish a fire which burned a residential structure in Fontana on Aug. 12. (Contributed photo by Gilbert Gonzalez)

A fire burned a residential structure in Fontana in the early morning hours of Aug. 12, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

Just after midnight, firefighters responded to the intersection of Highland Avenue and Mango Avenue in the northern area of the city after 9-1-1 callers advised that a newly built home was burning, said Public Information Officer Eric Sherwin.

Units arrived to find a property comprised of multiple two-story apartment buildings under construction with heavy fire involving the eastern side of one building. All buildings were still in the wood frame stage of development. Firefighters mounted a defensive attack with the goal of containing the fire to the building of origin.

Due to the degree of fire involvement and building type, the incident was upgraded to a commercial response and reinforced with a second alarm.

Radiant heat from the blaze led to the failure of an exposed water main on the site, which presented an additional challenge to suppression efforts, Sherwin said.

The blaze was brought under control in just over one hour. Firefighters limited the spread of the fire to 25 percent of the original unit. Firefighters were instrumental in saving the three additional residential buildings located on the property.

Eight engines, two truck companies, three squads, two chief officers, two investigators, an Air/Light unit and an excavator totaling 46 personnel were assigned to the response.

No injuries to civilians or firefighters were reported.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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Rialto Police Motor Officer Airlifted after Crash at the top of the Cajon Pass

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OAK HILLS, CA. (Pain In The Pass) >> An Rialto police motorcycle officer was struck by an sedan on Interstate 15 at the top of the Cajon Pass area airlifted with unknown injuries early Saturday morning, according to CHP. (Photo above is credit by Antonio Sandoval)

The collision occurred about 1:14am August 12, 2023, on the northbound 15 just after the Oak Hill Road exit. It was reported to be a two vehicle collision. The two vehicles were a blue Honda Accord that believed hit the motor officer. Then in the traffic backup four more vehicles collided involving two white sedans, a black Jeep Cherokee, a grey Toyota sedan all with minor to major damage.

Responding officers and rescue crews from **San Bernardino County Fire** Department requested a medical helicopter to transport the motor officer from the scene. A CHP helicopter airlifted the officer and condition is not known but is expected to survive, CHP Officer said. The officer was being treated at Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, where other officers were seen arriving for visits.

We will update this story with more information when the CHP's preliminary accident report is available. Additional details were limited at this time. This incident will be under investigation by the California Highway Patrol Inland Office.

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