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A fire damaged an apartment complex in San Bernardino. (Contributed photo by San Bernardino County Fire Department)

A fire damaged an apartment complex in San Bernardino, displacing seven residents, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

The incident occurred on Sept. 21 at 8:03 p.m. in the 5100 block of North 3rd Avenue, said Battalion Chief Mike McClintock.

ME227 arrived on scene to find heavy fire and smoke from the first floor of the two-story apartment complex. Firefighters quickly deployed hose lines to suppress the blaze, working to limit the fire to the first floor. Within minutes personnel found the well involved fire on the first flooring had extended to the second floor and attic space. Due to the fire involvement a second alarm was struck.

Firefighters deployed to the first and second floor to work on evacuations, a fire attack and to search for any potential victims. Truck crews ascended to the roof to work on vertical ventilation operations.

Within 20 minutes of arrival the fire was knocked down. Two apartments received fire damage and two additional received smoke and water damage. Firefighters were successful in saving two units and adjacent occupancies from fire damage.

No injuries to firefighters or citizens were reported. The Red Cross was notified to assist the displaced residents from the impacted apartments. The fire's cause and origin is under investigation.

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