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Two Fontana homes are damaged by fire on May 6
Mike McClintock, Fontana Herald News
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Two Fontana homes were damaged by a two-alarm fire on the afternoon of May 6, according to the San Bernardino County Fire Department.

No injuries were reported.

Crews from #SBCoFD Station 71 responded to a call at 12:46 p.m. and quickly arrived on scene to find an exterior fire that had extended to two single family residences in the 17400 block of Seville Court in the central area of the city.

Due to the large amount of fire, a second alarm was struck to bring additional crews to the scene. Crews initiated an aggressive attack, working to suppress the fires in both occupancies, said Mike McClintock, the battalion chief and public information officer.

Arriving crews found the fire had extended into the garage, living space and attic of one house. The other home was immediately threatened by fire extending into the eves and attic.

With additional resources, arriving firefighters were able to gain the upper hand within 20 minutes of arrival. Crews completed searches of the home, which came up negative.

San Bernardino County Fire responded with five engines, two truck companies, a medic squad, two chief officers and a fire investigator. Rialto Fire provided mutual aid.

https://www.fontanaheraldnews.com/news/two-fontana-homes-are-damaged-by-fire-on-may-6/article_372fa774-aee1-11eb-ab7f-8768c86a6894.html
One driver was critically injured Thursday morning, May 6, 2021, in a nine-vehicle collision at the intersection of Highway 395 and Joshua Street in Hesperia. Daily Press File Photo.

One driver was critically injured Thursday morning in a nine-vehicle collision that authorities say occurred when a semi-trailer hit another vehicle at the intersection of Highway 395 and Joshua Street in Hesperia.

San Bernardino County Sheriff's officials said evidence at the scene and witness statements led them to believe that a 2021 Freightliner semi-trailer traveling south on Highway 395 failed to stop for a red light. The semi then collided into a 2002 Pontiac that had been traveling west on Joshua Street.

The impact of the collision sent both the Freightliner and Pontiac in a southwesterly direction until they entered a park and ride located on the southwest corner of the intersection and hit seven other vehicles that sustained minor to major damage.

At the scene near the Pilot Travel Center, at about 9 a.m. Thursday, sheriff’s officials and San Bernardino County Fire personnel found that only the Freightliner and the Pontiac were occupied at the time of the crash.

The unidentified driver of the Pontiac was taken to a local trauma center, where he remained in critical but stable condition Thursday afternoon, officials said.

The collision remains under investigation. Officials said they did not yet know if drugs or alcohol were contributing factors.

No arrests have been made and no further updates were available Thursday night, San Bernardino County Sheriff’s spokeswoman Jodi Miller said.

Anyone with information related to the collision is asked by the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department to contact Deputy D. Caudle or Sheriff Service Specialist J. Chambers at the Hesperia Police Station at 760-947-1500.

Semi involved in multi-vehicle crash after running red light in Hesperia
Staff Writer, Victor Valley News Group
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HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A semi-truck driver failed to stop for a red light resulting in a multi-vehicle crash that left one person critically injured.

On Thursday, May 6, 2021, at approximately 9:00 AM, deputies from the Hesperia Sheriff’s Station and rescue personnel from the San Bernardino County Fire Department responded to a multi-vehicle traffic collision at the intersection of US Highway 395 and Joshua Street in the City of Hesperia.

Deputies arrived on scene and found a total of nine vehicles involved, two of which were occupied.

According to a sheriff’s news release, “investigators believe from evidence obtained from the scene and witness statements, a white 2021 Freightliner was traveling southbound on US Highway 395 and failed to stop for a red traffic signal colliding into a red 2002 Pontiac which was traveling westbound on Joshua Street.”

The impact of the collision caused both vehicles to travel in a southwest direction into the park and ride located on the southwest corner of the intersection. Seven unoccupied vehicles sustained minor to major damage as a result of the collision.

The driver of the Pontiac was transported by ground to a local trauma center where he remains in critical but stable condition.

The collision remains under investigation and it is unknown at this time if drugs or alcohol are a factor in the collision. Any witnesses are asked to contact Deputy D. Caudle or Sheriff Service Specialist J. Chambers from the Hesperia Police Station at 760-947-1500.

'Fire and Ice Cream' vaccination event will be held Saturday, May 8 in San Bernardino

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Free ice cream, churros, and other treats and giveaways await those who participate in San Bernardino County's first official "Fire and Ice Cream" COVID-19 vaccination event on Saturday, May 8 at Nunez Park in San Bernardino.

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The county, in partnership with the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District, will lead a parade of fire trucks, other emergency vehicles, the county's Our Shot for Hope mobile vaccination van, an ice cream truck and a churro van through the streets of the neighborhoods surrounding the park at 12:30 p.m.

From 2 to 6 p.m. in Nunez Park, the county will provide the free treats and free "one-and-done" Johnson & Johnson vaccinations. No appointment is necessary.

The vaccinations are for any one age 18 and over. The treats are for everyone.

"Fire and Ice Cream is an example of how committed we are to making vaccines available across the county, especially in vulnerable or hard-to-reach neighborhoods," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Curt Hagman. "We're very happy to be doing this in conjunction with our county fire department. Firefighters are trusted heroes in our communities, and nothing draws attention like fire trucks and ice cream trucks!"

The COVID-19 vaccination will help protect individuals by creating an antibody (immune system) response without having to experience sickness. After persons are fully vaccinated for COVID-19, they may be able to start doing some things that they stopped doing because of the pandemic.

Nunez Park is located at 1717 West 5th Street.
Future Fire and Ice Cream events in other locations throughout the county will be announced soon, the county said.

A fire that erupted at a Southern California apartment building damaged 40 units, killed pets and injured a firefighter, authorities said.

The blaze was reported shortly before 3 p.m. on Tuesday in the shared attic of a two-story building on 7th Street in Upland, according to the San Bernardino County Fire Department.

“It went by really fast,” Debra Perez, a victim, told KCBS-TV. “It started upstairs in one of the corner apartments, and then it rushed to the middle and then it just went all the way around until they were able to stop it.”

Winds and the large attic space helped the fire spread quickly, authorities said.

More than 40 apartments were damaged by fire, smoke or water damage before the blaze was extinguished, the Fire Department reported.

The department said one firefighter was taken to a local hospital with a heat-related injury, and an unknown number of pets died in the blaze, KCBS-TV reported.

No residents were hurt.

The cause of the fire was under investigation.

https://www.insurancejournal.com/news/west/2021/05/07/613146.htm
A Wonder Valley cabin is a total loss following a fire Thursday night. Fire fighters from Twentynine Palms, Joshua Tree, and the Combat Center were called to the area of Mojave Road and Indian Trail about 10 p.m. for an unknown fire.

Crews arrived to find a cabin fully involved with flames, which burned to the ground. There was no additional threat to other structures or vegetation.

Firefighters had the blaze under control within minutes of their arrival.

There were no injuries; the cause remains under investigation.

http://z1077fm.com/wonder-valley-cabin-burned-to-the-ground-thursday/
Multi-Vehicle Traffic Collision on Highway 395 at Joshua St.
Staff Writer, Pain in the Pass
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HESPERIA, CA. (Pain in The Pass) >> A multi-vehicle traffic collision at the intersection of Highway 395 and Joshua Street in the City of Hesperia. They found a total of nine vehicles involved, two of which were occupied.

San Bernardino County Fire Department, and San Bernardino County Sheriff Department were getting calls of a multiple vehicle crash just before 9am, Thursday May 6th, 2021.

Investigators believe from evidence obtained from the scene and witness statements; a white CRST Freightliner was traveling southbound on Highway 395 colliding into a red 2002 Pontiac which was traveling westbound on Joshua Street which failed to stop for a red traffic signal. The impact of the collision caused both vehicles to travel in a southwest direction into the park and ride located on the southwest corner of the intersection. Seven unoccupied vehicles sustained minor to major damage as a result of the collision.

The driver of the Pontiac was transported by ground to a local trauma center where he remains in critical but stable condition.

The collision remains under investigation and it is unknown at this time if drugs or alcohol are a factor in the collision.

Any witnesses are asked to contact Deputy D. Caudle or Sheriff Service Specialist J. Chambers from the Hesperia Police Station. Phone No. (760) 947-1500 Case No. 192102887.

https://paininthepass.info/2021/05/06/multi-vehicle-traffic-collision-on-highway-395-at-joshua-st-this-morning/