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Three Alarm Fire Damages San Bernardino Office Complex

San Bernardino County Fire, HD DailyNews

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Facebook/SanBernardinoCountyFire

Sunday afternoon **San Bernardino County Firefighters** were sent to a reported commercial building fire in the 100 block of East Hospitality Lane in San Bernardino. Crews quickly arrived on-scene to find a vegetation fire in the courtyard of a large commercial occupancy.

Arriving firefighters initiated a fire attack, finding a wind driven fire that had spread to nearby palm trees and portions of the large two-story office complex. Due to the threat a second alarm was quickly struck, bringing additional firefighters and equipment to the scene.

Despite firefighter's best effort, the wind-driven fire quickly spread to other nearby trees and the attic space of the 35,000 square foot office building. Firefighters fought the fire from both the roof and interior of the office building to attempt to keep the fire from spreading in the common attic space. Crews also completed primary search and evacuations of the complex, ensuring all people were evacuated from the fast moving fire.

Windy conditions continued to feed the fire, challenging arriving fire crews. Despite their best efforts, the fire continued to grow through the large office complex. Structural integrity of the building became compromised, causing firefighters to switch from an offensive posture, to a defensive posture.

Once safely exited, firefighters utilized large amounts of water to suppress the fire. At the height of the fire more than 5,000 gallons a minute were flowing into the building. The fire was brought under control in about 90 minutes. The building sustained heavy fire damage. No injuries were reported. Multiple fire officials responded and are working on a cause and origin investigation.

San Bernardino County Fire responded with 11 Engines, 4 Truck Companies, 4 Chief Officers, 4 Fire Investigators and an Air/Light unit. Colton and Loma Linda Fire assisted. At the height of the fire more than 60 firefighters worked to control the fire.

https://www.hddailynews.com/news/state/three-alarm-fire-damages-san-bernardino-office-complex/article_85a7efa2-2564-11ec-b281-dba800a3c4e2.html

San Bernardino office building suffers heavy damage from afternoon blaze

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A San Bernardino office building suffered severe damage from a fire on Oct.3, 2021. (SBCFPD)

A San Bernardino office building was heavily damaged in a fire Sunday afternoon.

At about 4:45 p.m., firefighters were dispatched to fight a fire in the 100 block of Hospitality Lane.

While the flames initially impacted vegetation near the commercial building, they quickly spread to the structure and nearby palm trees, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire Protection District**.

“Despite firefighter’s best effort the wind-driven fire quickly spread to other nearby trees, an outbuilding and the attic space of the 35,000 square foot office building,” the Fire Protection District said in a release.

Windy conditions made fighting the fire difficult, and the fire eventually consumed much of the office complex, threatening the structural integrity of the building and forcing the firefighters to continue their efforts from outside the building, firefighters said.

It took about 90 minutes for the fire to be brought under control by as many as 60 firefighters at once. Ultimately, 11 engines, four truck companies, four investigators and an air unit assisted in the fight, among other Fire Protection District personnel.

The Colton and Loma Linda fire departments also assisted in battling the blaze.

No injuries were reported, and an investigation in the fire’s cause is continuing..

<https://ktla.com/news/local-news/san-bernardino-office-building-suffers-heavy-damage-from-afternoon-blaze/>

Pickup truck pulling trailer catches fire on Phelan Road Monday

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News Group

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PHELAN, Calif. (VVNG.com) — **San Bernardino County Firefighters** responded to a vehicle fire after a pickup truck pulling a trailer caught fire on Monday afternoon.

It happened at about 3:25 pm, on Phelan Road just west of US Highway 395 in Phelan.

The driver pulled to the right shoulder and was able to detach the trailer from the truck. Firefighters arrived and smoke and flames coming from the engine compartment. They quickly douzed the fire and kept it from spreading further.

Traffic through the area was jammed for approximately 1-hour as firefighters worked and the truck was towed away. No injuries were reported and the cause of the fire is unknown.

<https://www.vvng.com/pickup-truck-pulling-trailer-catches-fire-on-phelan-road-monday/>

Elderly woman dies when car hits pole in Hesperia

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On Sunday, October 3, 2021, just after 2:30pm p.m., deputies from the Hesperia Station and emergency personnel from the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department responded to a single vehicle traffic collision involving a 1997 Saturn S-series, in the area of I Avenue and Catalpa Street in the city of Hesperia.

During a preliminary investigation, it is believed the Saturn travelled north on I Avenue, south of the intersection with Catalpa Street. The Saturn left the east roadway edge for unknown reasons and struck a utility pole causing the vehicle to overturn. As a result, the 81-year-old female driver, later identified as Jeanne Conrow, succumbed to her injuries, and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Investigators from the Hesperia Station Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) responded and assumed the investigation. It is still under investigation whether drugs and/or alcohol were a factor in this crash. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision is urged to contact Deputy D. Holland at the Hesperia Station at (760) 947-1500. Those wishing to remain anonymous may call We-Tip at 800-78-CRIME or www.wetip.com.

https://www.hddailynews.com/news/local/elderly-woman-dies-when-car-hits-pole-in-hesperia/article_7528c55a-2575-11ec-84db-17cfcabc8fc5.html

Needles, CA: Community dropped off their household hazardous waste and junk during a household hazardous waste drop-off event held at the City of Needles Public Works Department Yard.

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Sources: San Bernardino County Fire Department and City of Needles (Information):

Needles, California: The **San Bernardino County Fire** Department's Household Hazardous Waste Team held a Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Event held at the City of Needles Public Works Department Yard on Saturday, October 2nd, 2021.

The community dropped off their household hazardous waste and junk during a household hazardous waste drop-off event, include paint, antifreeze, batteries, computer monitors, televisions, used oil, used oil filters, cosmetics, pesticides and much more.

For more information about other events or ways to disposal of your household hazardous waste, please call: 1(800)645-9228 or visit their website: <https://sbcfire.org/hhw/>

Thanks to all of the people who came by and for keeping our county clean.

<https://zachnews.net/2021/10/04/needles-ca-community-dropped-off-their-household-hazardous-waste-and-junk-during-a-household-hazardous-waste-drop-off-event-held-at-the-city-of-needles-public-works-department-yard/>

Family Holds Vigil For 3 Girls Killed In Hit-And-Run; CHP Identifies Suspect

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LUCERNE VALLEY (CBSLA) – Family members held a vigil outside of the California Highway Patrol’s Victorville office to demand justice for four young girls, two of whom were in wheelchairs, that were struck on June 5 when they were walking on the side of Camp Rock Road, north of Rabbit Springs Road.

Three of the girls were pronounced deceased on the scene by **San Bernardino County Fire Department** personnel. They were identified as 11-year-old Willow Sanchez, 12-year-old Daytona Bronas, and 13-year-old Sandra Mizer.

The fourth girl, identified as 14-year-old Natalie Coe, survived but was airlifted to Loma Linda University Medical Center after she was critically injured and left on the side of the road.

CHP is now looking for 18-year-old Santos Alejandro Jimenez-Cruz, who authorities say was behind the wheel of the 2002 Chevrolet Silverado when the four girls were ran over.

“Now the world will know who he is. We hope he turns himself in, makes it a little easier. Answers our questions provides closure,” Christine Cordova, Mizer’s aunt said.

Jimenez-Cruz, along with a passenger, fled the scene immediately on foot, according to a CHP press release.

Coe’s family tell CBS 2 Reporter Rick Montanez that she has lost use of her arms and had her right leg amputated.

“I can forgive an accident, but I can’t forgive purposely running away from a dying child,” Robin Florence, Coe’s aunt said.

Florence also said that her niece is still recovering in the hospital and struggling with survivor’s guilt after losing three close friends.

Jimenez-Cruz is known to live in both California and Mexico. Investigators tell Montanez they have no confirmed location on the suspect’s whereabouts and say he was driving his father’s truck.

Authorities have secured a no-bail warrant for three counts of vehicular manslaughter against Jimenez-Cruz.

Investigators have interviewed Jimenez-Cruz’s family, but have still not been able to track down his location.

Florence has set up a GoFundMe to assist with her niece’s recovery.

<https://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2021/10/02/chp-identify-suspect-wanted-for-fatal-hit-and-run-that-killed-3-girls-critically-injured-another/>