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(captured from CHPRiverside Twitter video)

Firefighters dealt with explosions and towering flames Tuesday, July 28, as they worked to extinguish flames that destroyed the storage annex of a Salvation Army facility in Perris; and burned in an adjacent field alongside the 215 Freeway.

The blaze was reported about 3:35 p.m. outside of a Salvation Army-run facility at 24201 Orange Ave. Responding firefighters spotted flames on a pile of donations that then spread to a detached warehouse used to store donations, Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Department Capt. Fernando Herrera said. Embers also sparked several spot fires that sprang up in nearby vegetation.

A large smoke plume was visible in the region.

The structure was actively burning as of 6 p.m. Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Department Public Safety Information Specialist April Newman said. The fire was contained by 9 p.m., Cal Fire/Riverside County said. The roof of the warehouse collapsed earlier as seen in aerial footage broadcast by KABC7.

There were no immediate reports of any injuries or people trapped inside of the facility.

“We don’t have any of the explosions or the type of huge flames now that we had seen earlier,” Herrera said several hours into the firefighting effort.

It wasn’t immediately known what caused the explosions.

About 80 Cal Fire/Riverside County personnel were assisted by teams from the Riverside, Hemet, Corona and **San Bernardino County Fire** Departments in tackling the fire, Herrera said.

CHP officers blocked off a portion of Harvill Avenue, and it was expected to remain closed for several hours Tuesday night, Herrera said. Metrolink passengers scheduled to pass through the area were held at Moreno Valley/March Field station as crews battled flames near train tracks.

The cause of the fire was not immediately known. It caused about \$3.5 million in damage, Cal Fire/Riverside County Fire Department officials said. Details regarding the amount of acreage scorched by the blaze were not immediately available.

The Salvation Army operates both its Riverside County Adult Rehabilitation Center and the Salvation Army Family Store and Donation Center at the address firefighters were dispatched to on Tuesday, according to the nonprofit's website. The main portion of the facility was not damaged, Herrera said.

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Home is damaged by fire in Fontana on July 28

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Firefighters extinguished a fire which erupted at a house in Fontana on July 28. (Contributed photo by San Bernardino County Fire Department)

A single-story home in Fontana was damaged due to a fire on July 28, according to the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department.

Firefighters responded to a report of fire and smoke coming from a house in the 17300 block of Upland Avenue, the Fire Department said on Twitter.

The blaze was extinguished in the afternoon, and crews transitioned to an overhaul and salvage operation, the Fire Department said.

No injuries were reported.

An investigator was on scene for cause and origin determination.

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