

Structure Fire

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Date: March 20th, 2016
Incident Number: 16-0021364
Information Contact: Kris McDonald, Battalion Chief
Incident Type: Structure Fire
Date/Time of Incident: March 20th, 2016, 17:27 hours
Incident Location: 200 block of Laurel St
Cause: Under investigation
Injuries: None reported
Fire Equipment: 4 ALS Engine Companies, 1 ALS Truck Company, 2 Command, 1 Light & Air Company, 1 Fire Investigator, 2 Prevention Specialists
Total Fire Personnel: 22
Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department, Ventura County Fire Department, Santa Paula Fire Department, Ventura Police Department, American Medical Response, So Cal Edison, The Gas Company

Narrative: Ventura City Fire personnel responded to reported black smoke coming from the windows of a small business. The first arriving company reported a small unoccupied storefront, part of a light-commercial / strip-mall type complex, with dark smoke exiting from around several closed windows and doors. Forcible entry was used to make access, vertical ventilation was established, utilities were controlled, and the seat of the interior fire was quickly located and extinguished using hand lines. Possible extension into concealed spaces and adjoining occupancies was ruled-out, and the fire area was thoroughly overhauled. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, no injuries were reported at the time of this release.

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