

FIRE DEPARTMENT

MEDIA RELEASE

Date: July 30, 2018

Incident Number: 18-0059640

Information Contact: Tony Hill, Battalion Chief

Incident Type: Vehicle Accident with Injuries

Date/Time of Incident: July 30, 2018 / 2:25 AM

Incident Location: Victoria Avenue / Olivas Park

Cause: Under Investigation

Injuries: 2

Number of Personnel: 11

Fire Equipment: 2 Paramedic Engines, 1 Support, 1 Command

Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire, American Medical Response, Ventura Police Department

Narrative: In the early morning hours of July 30th Ventura City Fire and Police Department responded to a report of a single vehicle accident with trapped victims. When fire crews arrived they discovered a single vehicle involving a passenger van that had hit a traffic signal pole; two occupants were in the vehicle at the time of the crash. Firefighters using hydraulic rescue tools to cut and pry the vehicle from the victim were able to free the trapped driver 45 minutes after their arrival. The extrication was complicated by the extensive damage to the vehicle which entangled the drivers' legs under the dashboard. While the extrication was taking place, additional firefighters provided advanced life support to the driver and worked to suppress any fire potential from the vehicles' leaking fluids. Once extricated, one adult male was transported by ambulance to a local trauma center. The second adult male in the vehicle did not require extrication but was also transported to a trauma center for further evaluation of his injuries.

The cause of the incident remains under investigation by the Ventura Police Department. No rescuers were injured as a result of this incident.

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