

Structure Fire

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Incident Number: 69226

Information Contact: Douglas Miser, Battalion Chief

Incident Type: Structure Fire

Date/Time of Incident: October 21, 2014, 11:15pm

Incident Location: 50 Block of North Laurel Avenue – West Ventura

Cause: Under Investigation

Injuries: None reported

Number of Personnel: 16 Fire

Fire Equipment: 4 Paramedic Engines, 1 Paramedic Truck Company, 1 Battalion Chief

1 Ambulance, 1 Investigator

Aencies Involved: Ventura City Fire Department, Ventura Police Department

A fire erupted in an unoccupied house in West Venutra late Tuesday night. Firefighters arrived on scene to find a duplex with heavy smoke coming from the front of the structure. The home was unoccupied and vacant. Firefighters made forcible entry into the residence and discovered a burned out section of floor adjacent to a furnace where active fire was burning, not far from the front entrance. Fortunately, no one fell through the first floor into the basement during extinguishment efforts.

A coordinated fire attack and horizontal ventilation measures contained the fire to one unit, limiting damage and potential spread of the fire. The fire was knocked down within 11 minutes. Smoke alarms in the home were working correctly and alerted the adjacent tenant and neighbors providing for rapid notification of 911.

Damages were estimated at \$15,000 to the structure. The cause of the fire is under investigation, however, no foul play is suspected.





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