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MEDIA RELEASE

Date: May 16th, 2014

Incident Number: 14-0029794

Information Contact: Kris McDonald, Battalion Chief, (805) 205-5004

Incident Type: Structure Fire

Date/Time of Incident: May 16th, 2014, 19:43 hours

Incident Location: 10500 block of Mendocino Court, Ventura, CA

Cause: See below

Injuries: None

Number of Fire Personnel: 14

Fire Equipment: 3 Paramedic Engines, 1 Paramedic Truck, 2 Command, 1 Ambulance

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

Fire crews responded to a reported fire in a single story residential structure. First arriving crews found smoke exiting from the front of the residence and a mattress fire in a back bedroom. The fire was quickly knocked down preventing extension into other parts of the home. Smoke damage, however, was significant throughout the home and required that the 3 occupants present temporarily relocate.

Following investigation the cause of the fire was determined to be unintentional, caused by a halogen lamp that caught fire and then ignited the mattress below. A functioning smoke detector alerted occupants at the time of the fire allowing them to react quickly which prevented more extensive damage to the home. No injuries were reported at the time of this media release.



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