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Fatal Fire at Rancho La Mesa

Cause under Investigation; Identity of One Victim Unconfirmed

SUNNYVALE, Calif. – On Wednesday, May 14, 2014 at approximately 12:25 p.m., Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety (DPS) personnel responded to the report of a structure fire at Rancho La Mesa mobile home park on Sycamore Terrace. Upon arrival, fire personnel discovered heavy smoke and flames coming from a single story residence. Twenty fire personnel brought the fire under control in approximately fifteen minutes after arriving on scene, but the fire completely destroyed the residence.

The residence is known to be occupied by an elderly male and female. During a search of the residence, a deceased adult victim was located inside. The male resident was contacted when he returned to the residence while firefighters were on scene. The female resident is believed to be the deceased victim; however, the Medical Examiner's Office has not yet confirmed the identity of the victim. The Red Cross and County Social Services were called to assist. At this point, the cause and origin of the fire have not been determined. The incident remains under investigation.

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