

**LAFD****SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY****Emergency Public Information Center**BFC # **08-082**Meeting Date **6/3/2008****5/20/2008 TO 5/27/2008****06/17/2008**

| INCIDENT DATE | INC. TIME | ADDRESS | COUNCIL | INCIDENT TYPE | F.S. | FIRE COMPANIES | TOTAL F/F'S | TOTAL R.A.S | OUTSIDE AGENCIES | F/F INJURIES | CIV. FATALITY | DOLLAR LOSS | TIME TO CONTROL |
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| 5/21/2008 | 9:21 PM | 5720 S. Fortuna St. | 9 | Structure Fire With Civilian Fatality | 21 | 7 | 48 | 3 | | 0 | 1 | Still Being Tabulated | 0 hours, 26 min. |
| | INC. # | F/F FATALITY | | | | | | | | INCIDENT DURATION | | | |
| | 1230 | 0 | | | | | | | | In Progress | | | |

WOMAN DIES IN COMMERCIAL/RESIDENTIAL BUILDING FIRE

On Wednesday, May 21, 2008 at 9:21 PM, 7 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 3 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Craig Yoder responded to a Structure Fire With A Civilian Fatality at 5720 S. Fortuna St. in South Los Angeles.

Firefighters arrived to find fire showing from a small commercial building. Due to moderate winds, the fire was being pushed towards a larger commercial building and several homes. Firefighters began an aggressive attack on the fire while fellow firefighters protected the adjacent buildings. It took 30 Firefighters just under 30 minutes to control the fire. After the fire was knocked down, the body of a female in her 40's was discovered and declared deceased at the scene.

A 40 year-old male suffered burns to his arms and a 17 year-old complained of smoke related problems. Both patients were transported to local hospitals for care. The cause of the fire and the circumstances surrounding the fatality are under investigation. The dollar loss is still being tabulated.

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| 5/22/2008 | 9:12 PM | 1421 S. Los Angeles St. | 9 | Greater Alarm Structure Fire | 10 | 10 | 73 | 4 | | 0 | 0 | Still Being Tabulated | 0 hours, 39 min. |
| | INC. # | F/F FATALITY | | | | | | | | INCIDENT DURATION | | | |
| | 1190 | 0 | | | | | | | | 3 hours, 40 min. | | | |

DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL OCCUPANCY DAMAGED IN BLAZE

On Thursday, May 22, 2008 at 9:12 PM, 10 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 4 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 1 Urban Search and Rescue Unit, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 3 Battalion Chief Officer Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, LAPD and DOT, all under the direction of Battalion Chief Kwame Cooper, responded to a Greater Alarm Structure Fire at 1421 S. Los Angeles St. in the South Park area.

The first arriving company on scene reported a one story commercial building with moderate smoke showing. Firefighters were met with heavy smoke, fire and a large amount of storage while trying to gain access. Additional companies were requested as Firefighters quickly established their handlines in an attempt to keep the fire in the area of origin. Heavy smoke and fire was also reported coming from the ventilation holes by the roof team, prompting them to "trench" the roof to gain control as the fire tried to run the attic.

It took thirty three Firefighters nineteen minutes to call a knockdown. The occupancy of fire origin was the Karma Center. Two other occupancies, Moon's Fashions and Nelly's Shoes sustained moderate smoke damage. There were no reports of injury. The cause and dollar loss estimate is undetermined until the completion of the police report.



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| 5/26/2008 | 7:54 AM | 8711 Duncamp Pl | 5 | Traffic Collision with Entrapment | 97 | 7 | 63 | 6 | | 0 | 2 | Still Being Tabulated | 0 hours, 36 min. |
| | INC. # | | | | | | | | | F/F FATALITY | | | INCIDENT DURATION |
| | 0217 | HOLLYWOOD HILLS | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 8 hours, 23 min. |

2 DEAD, 3 INJURED IN HOLLYWOOD HILLS COLLISION

On Monday, May 26, 2008 at 7:54 AM, 7 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 6 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Heavy Rescue, 1 Urban Search and Rescue Unit, 2 Helicopters, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, a total of 63 Los Angeles Fire Department personnel under the direction of Battalion Chief Charles Butler, responded to a Multi-Patient Traffic Collision near 8711 Duncamp Place in the Hollywood Hills. Firefighters arrived quickly to find an overturned mid-size sport utility vehicle that had apparently tumbled more than 75 feet down a steep brush covered hillside. Witnesses report at least two of the car's five occupants being ejected before the vehicle, which sheared a water supply line, came to rest upside-down against the carport of a single family home. Firefighters immediately stabilized the SUV and commenced triage of the injured, as their colleagues sought to free the one patient who was still trapped in the wreckage. Despite their swift action, the approximately 70 year-old man had sustained injuries incompatible with life, and was declared deceased at the scene. A woman in her early twenties became unresponsive during triage and was swiftly transported to the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, where she died shortly after arrival. The three remaining occupants, including a 44 year-old female, 27 year-old male and 2 year-old male each sustained non-life threatening injuries, and were taken to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center by ground ambulance in fair to serious condition. The water leak was quickly secured before the arrival of the Department of Water and Power. Circumstances surrounding the collision are being investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department's West Traffic Division in conjunction with the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office, which will positively identify the deceased, as well as determine the exact cause, time and manner of their death.

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| 5/26/2008 | 5:56 PM | 7136 S Crenshaw Bl | 8 | Multi-Patient Traffic Collision | 66 | 10 | 87 | 14 | | 0 | 3 | Still Being Tabulated | 0 hours, 29 min. |
| | INC. # | | | | | | | | | F/F FATALITY | | | INCIDENT DURATION |
| | 0795 | Hyde Park | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 2 hours, 50 min. |

FIERY CRASH TAKES MULTIPLE LIVES IN LOS ANGELES

On Monday, May 26, 2008 at 5:56 PM, 10 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 14 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 3 EMS Battalion Captains, 2 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams and 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, a total of 87 Los Angeles Fire Department personnel under the direction of Assistant Chief Jeffery S. Mottram, responded to a Multi-Fatality Traffic Collision at the intersection of Crenshaw Boulevard and Florence Avenue in the Hyde Park area of Los Angeles. Firefighters responded quickly to discover at least six vehicles involved in a traffic collision in which three - a minivan, sport utility vehicle and sedan were ablaze. Firefighters quickly doused the flames to find the burned remains of two persons in one vehicle, while their colleagues sought to care for a preteen male who had been pulled or ejected from another. The three proved to be beyond medical help, and were pronounced dead at the scene. Firefighters swiftly and efficiently triaged 18 additional persons, providing prompt transport to 5 in need of immediate care, including some in grave condition who are reported to have later died at area hospitals. Nine additional patients with non-life threatening injuries, were among those taken to five area hospitals, while 4 persons declined treatment and transportation at the scene. The collision is under formal investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department's South Traffic Division, working closely with the Coroner's Office, which will seek to positively identify the deceased and determine the precise cause, time and manner of their death.