

# SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY Emergency Public Information Center

BFC # 09-089

Meeting Date

JUL 2 1 2009

6/1/2009 TO 6/8/2009

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
6/1/2009	4:36 PM	14300 W. Vanowen St.	6	Physical Rescue Traffic	39	5	38	3		0	0	Still Being	1 hour, 12 min.
	INC.#									F/F FATALITY	CIVANJURY	Tabulated	INCIDENT DURATION
	0867	Van Nuys								0	4		1 hour, 12 min.

## VEHICLE PLOWS THROUGH BUS STOP, 3 INJURED, 1 CRITICAL

On Monday, June 1, 2009 at 4:36 PM, 5 Companies of Los Angeles Firevehicle plows through bus stop, 3 injured, 1 criticalfighters, 3 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Urban Search and Rescue Unit, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Gerry Malais responded to a Physical Rescue Traffic at 14300 W. Vanowen St. in Van Nuys. Firefighters responded quickly to the scene in a residential area in Van Nuys. After assessment of the scene Firefighters and Paramedics determined that one vehicle had careened into a bus stop area, which struck four pedestrians awaiting a bus at the south east corner of the intersection of Vanowen and Tyrone Ave. Crews further assessed the scene to find 2 females, 1 male with minor injuries, with 1 female in critical condition. All patients were treated and transferred to awaiting Rescue Ambulances within minutes, then transported to area hospitals.

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6/1/2009	10:43 PM	6914 N. Beck Ave.	6	Major Emergency Structure	89	23	166	9		0		Still Being	7 hours, 9 min.
	INC.#			Fire		]				F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY	Tabulated	INCIDENT DURATION
	1257	North Hollywood				:				0	4		42 hours, 48 min.

#### BLAZE ERUPTS IN COMMERCIAL BUILDING IN NORTH HOLLYWOOD

On Monday, June 1, 2009 at 10:43 PM, 23 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 9 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 3 Arson Units, 1 Urban Search and Rescue Unit, 1 Rehab Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 4 EMS Battalion Captains, 7 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, 1 Dozer, 2 Tractors, 2 Loaders, Heavy Equipment Unit under the direction of Assistant Chief Mark Stormes responded to a Major Emergency Structure Fire at 6914 N. Beck Ave. in North Hollywood. Firefighters arrived quickly to find heavy smoke and fire showing through the roof from an unoccupied, 50x100 foot, 1 story carpet and hardwood manufacturing commercial building. Swiftly extending handlines, firefighters did fierce battle with the blaze. Due to the structural collapse of the roof and the building's walls, fire crews were forced to go into a defensive mode. They began attacking the flames with heavy streams of water from adjacent structures as well as from the street. Firefighters worked diligently to prevent the spread of fire to any of the surrounding structures in this commercial area of North Hollywood. The fire was contained to only the one building. Early on in the fire fight, one Fire Captain was treated and transported for fatigue and remains hospitalized under observation. There were no other injuries reported. Companies continued firefighting efforts throughout the early morning hours, with over 170 fire personnel continuing the attack. Water appliances on the ground were used as several ladder pipe operations. Thanks to the exhausting efforts of all fire teams the blaze was finally knocked down after a seven hour stand. Extensive overhauling of the site was initiated, with several companies remaining on scene to watch for hot spots. The cause of this fire has still yet to be determined and the monitory loss is still being tabulated.



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6/2/2009	<b>—</b> —	431 S. Hewitt St.	9	Structure Fire	4	25	164	5		0	. 0	Still Being	1 hour, 3 min.
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# MAJOR EMERGENCY FIRE DESTROYS COMMERCIAL BUSINESS

On Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at 10:46 PM, 25 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 5 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 2 Urban Search and Rescue Units, 1 Rehab Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 5 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Assistant Chief Daryl Arbuthnott responded to a Major Emergency Structure Fire at 431 S. Hewitt St. in BOYLE HEIGHTS. Firefighters arrived to find heavy smoke coming from an unoccupied 1 story 75x100 foot commercial building. Fire teams deployed handlines to initiate an interior attack, while ventilation teams began cutting holes on the roof. Both teams were met with a large amount of smoke and fire, causing all crews to fall back to a defensive mode. Firefighters began surrounding the building with heavy stream appliances preventing the spread of fire to neighboring structures. Crews quickly gained control over the blaze enabling all companies to resume with an offensive attack. Firefighters were able to venture deeper inside the structure locating the remaining bulk of the fire. It took over 160 firefighters 1 hour and 3 minutes before a knock down was declared, with no reported injuries. Damage was contained to the one building with no threat of exposures. The cause of this incident remains under investigation and the monetary loss is still being tabulated.

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# SOUTH L.A. MATTRESS STORE FIRE SENDS 2 TO HOSPITAL

On Monday, June 8, 2009 at 6:51 PM, 10 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 5 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 4 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Robert Franco responded to a Structure Fire at 1520 W Florence Av in South Los Angeles. Firefighters arrived quickly to find heavy smoke from a fast-moving rubbish fire in the alley of a one-story commercial building. The flames had extended within the structure, threatening a two-story apartment building to the east and a storefront church to the west. LAFD personnel aggressively attacked the flames, using handlines to confine the fire before it spread to the adjacent buildings. The well-coordinated offense limited the blaze within the mattress store and alley of initial involvement. The flames were extinguished in just 31 minutes. After sustaining a severe nail puncture to his hand during the fire assault, one firefighter was taken to California Hospital Medical Center, where he was treated and released to remain off duty. The same hospital later saw a teenage female from the neighborhood brought to their facility by LAFD Ambulance in fair condition, after complaining of exposure to smoke from the fire. No other injuries were reported. Loss to 'Dream & Rest Mattress Company' is still being tabulated. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

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6/14/2009	6:16 AM	333 S. Alameda St.	9	HAZ-MAT	4	4	41	5		0 F/F FATALITY		Still Being Tabulated	In Progress
		BOYLE HEIGHTS								0	0		In Progress

## HAZ-MAT SCARE IN COLD STORAGE FACILITY

On Sunday, June 14, 2009 at 6:16 AM, 4 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 5 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 2 Hazardous Materials Teams, 1 EMS Battalion Captain, 1 Battalion Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Greg Gibson responded to a Haz-mat at 333 S. Alameda St. in The Little Tokyo area of Los Angeles. Firefighters arrived to discover a leak causing the spill of an unknown substance in a large cold storage facility. Further investigation revealed several gallons of ammonia had spilled inside the structure from a utility room. Crews took precautions as they commenced with the evacuation of a dozen individuals, who were in the building doing some repairs. Only one onsite manager was directly affected by the spill, with minor injury. He was treated and transported. One Firefighter suffered a non life threatening exposure injury and was transported to area hospital for observation. The cause and investigation of this incident was turned over to L.A. County Health Haz-Mat.



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6/14/2009	7:15 AM	4429 S. Vermont Ave	9	Structure Fire	46	10	65	3		0	0	\$\$66,000	0 hours, 17 min.
	INC. #	Exposition Park/Coliseum Area								F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY 2		incident duration 4 hours, 34 min.

#### COMMERCIAL BLAZE CATCHES FIRE TO NEAR BY HOME

On Sunday, June 14, 2009 at 7:15 AM, 10 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 3 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 2 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Armando Hogan responded to a Structure Fire at 4429 S. Vermont Ave in Exposition Park/Coliseum Area. Firefighters Arrived to a 50ft X 75ft 1 story commercial building well involved with fire to the rear. Although crews made a quick attack on the blaze, one home located behind the structure was exposed to high heat and caught fire. Three residents made it out of the home prior to fire crews making entry. A male and female in there 40's suffered slight smoke inhalation with burns to their faces and arms. Both were treated by paramedics then transported to area hospitals in stable condition. 2 teenagers were treated at the scene with no report of injury. Sadly two of the family's dogs perished in the blaze. It took 65 Firefighters 17 minutes to fully extinguish the fire. The caused was due to a candle accidentally being left unattended. The dollar loss is estimated at \$18,000-content and \$48,000-structure. Smoke detectors did play a significant role in the warning of the occupants.



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6/29/2009	3:13 AM	2821 E Manitou Av	1	Greater Alarm Structure Fire	1	14	108	8		0	0	\$\$350,000	0 hours, 42 min.
	INC.#									F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY		INCIDENT DURATION
	0096	Lincoln Heights/Solano Canyon		·		-				0	4		8 hours, 48 min.

#### FIRE DAMAGES FOUR-PLEX IN LINCOLN HEIGHTS

On Monday, June 29, 2009 at 3:13 AM, 14 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 8 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 1 Arson Unit, 1 Urban Search and Rescue Unit, 1 Hazardous Materials Team, 3 EMS Battalion Captains, 4 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, under the direction of Battalion Chief Dennis Waters responded to a Greater Alarm Structure Fire at 2800 E Manitou Av in Lincoln Heights/Solano Canyon.

Firefighters arrived to find a 2 story four-plex apartment building with heavy smoke and fire coming from the first and second floor of one unit, The fire spread to the rear of the building causing the flames to involve the attic area of the complex. As crews began initial fire attack, they witnessed several of the residents exiting the structure,

Seven occupants, consisting of four adults and three children suffered minor injuries and were treated and transported to an area hospital in stable condition. American Red Cross was call to the aide of 21 individuals displaced as a result of this incident.

It took 108 firefighters 42 minutes to extinguished the flames. The dollar loss is estimated to be \$350,000 (\$300,000 structure and \$50,000 contents). The cause of this fire remains under investigation.

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