

**LAFD****SIGNIFICANT INCIDENT SUMMARY****Emergency Public Information Center**

BFC #11-152

Meeting Date: November 15, 2011

10/3/2011 TO 10/9/2011

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
10/4/2011	1:17 PM	1625 West 24th Street	1	Greater Alarm Structure Fire	26	10	76	5		0	0	\$525,000	0 hours, 37 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								CIV./INJURY	INCIDENT DURATION		
	0619	Mid-City								0	0		5 hours, 1 minute

FIRE RIPS THROUGH MID-CITY CRAFTSMAN, DISPLACES 20

At 1:17 pm today, LAFD resources responded to a reported "Structure Fire" at 1625 West 24th Street in the Mid-City Area of Los Angeles. Task Force 26 was first on-scene and noted heavy smoke coming from the rear of two story, four-plex.

Based on the size and type of occupancy, additional companies were immediately requested by Battalion Chief Richard Rideout, as Firefighters quickly ensured that the residents of all four occupancies were out of harm's way. It was later determined that the blaze had started in the basement of the approximate 1,800 square-foot structure. The fire quickly ripped through both floors, eventually making its way into the large attic space of this 104 year-old, Craftsman-style residence.

With several areas of the structure compromised, the 76 Firefighters on-scene, had their hands full. In fact, the blaze was so intense that a portion of the roof collapsed only minutes after LAFD resources arrived. Thankfully, there were no injuries and after a firefight that lasted nearly 40 minutes, the Incident Commander declared a "Knockdown."

The four-plex was home to a total of 20 residents (10 adults and 10 children) that will require assistance from local Red Cross, for shelter and other essential needs. Initial dollar-loss estimates were placed at \$450,000 for structural damage and \$75,000 for its contents. The cause of the blaze is under active investigation by the LAFD's Arson/Counter-Terrorism Section.

DISPATCH UNITS:

E226 E26 T26 RA26 E13 RA844 E215 T15 E11 SQ21 EM11 BC18 BC1 E29 RA826 RA15

E211 T11 E10 DC2 EM14 BC5 BC11 MD1 EA1 RT59 AR1 RA868 E210 T10 E66



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10/9/2011	9:48 AM	1660 W Anaheim St	15	Fire	85	14	86	5		0	0	Still Being Tabulated	1 hour, 57 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								CIV/INJURY	INCIDENT DURATION		
	0374	0								0	4 hours, 51 min.		

LAFD RESPONDS TO FIRE AT CONOCOPHILLIPS REFINERY IN WILMINGTON

WILMINGTON - An on-site leak of hydrogen at the ConocoPhillips Refinery in Wilmington, California ignited a stubborn non-injury fire on Sunday that was brought under control by the refinery's industrial fire brigade without need for evacuation.

The October 9, 2011 event was reported at 9:48 AM by several passersby - including Los Angeles Firefighters, who noted a non-typical plume of smoke from within the 424-acre Wilmington portion of ConocoPhillips Los Angeles Refinery at 1660 West Anaheim Street in Wilmington, nineteen miles south of downtown Los Angeles.

A precautionary response by the Los Angeles Fire Department brought more than 80 LAFD personnel to the scene, including LAFD Hazardous Materials experts, who supported the refinery fire brigade in their skillful handling of the pressurized leak and control of the flames, which involved refinery equipment "the size of a tractor trailer", according to LAFD Battalion Chief Chris Logan.

The overall impact of the leak and fire upon refinery production was not determined by Fire Department responders, who referred such inquiries to ConocoPhillips media relations.

Pursuant of protocol, a formal incident investigation was commenced by the Los Angeles County Health Hazardous Materials Division and South Coast Air Quality Management District officials.

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10/9/2011	11:45 AM	5823 Bowcroft St	10	Civilian Fatality Fire	94	6	48	4		0	1	Still Being Tabulated	0 hours, 17 min.
	INC. #									F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY		INCIDENT DURATION
	0509	Baldwin Hills/Crenshaw								0	0		11 hours, 1 minute

MAN FOUND DEAD IN LOS ANGELES CONDOMINIUM FIRE

BALDWIN HILLS - Los Angeles Fire and Police Investigators are seeking the cause of a Baldwin Hills area fire Sunday morning, in which a man was found dead.

Security officers at the gated Cameo Woods condominium complex near Baldwin Hills first reported the fire at 11:45 AM on October 9, 2011, bringing a swift response by the Los Angeles Fire Department. LAFD crews quickly navigated the 27 acre complex to find smoke showing from one downstairs unit of a two-story residential foupex at 5823 Bowcroft Street. A well coordinated effort by 48 Los Angeles Firefighters confined the fire to the unit of origin, allowing them to extinguish the blaze in just 17 minutes.

During the assault on the flames, firefighters discovered the remains of an adult male within the burning structure. Beyond medical help, the man was declared deceased at the scene. No other injuries were reported. According to Battalion Chief Robert Nelson, "the home was fitted with a smoke alarm, which was functioning at the time of fire". There were no security doors, window security bars or obvious non-fire factors to impede the man's egress. The 62-year old dwelling was not equipped with residential fire sprinklers.

A positive identification of the deceased man to include his age, as well as the cause, time and manner of his death, will be determined by the Los Angeles County Department of Coroner.