

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

BFC #12-034

Meeting Date: March 6, 2012

1/30/2012 TO 2/5/2012

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
1/30/2012	8:08 AM	6245 S Manhattan Pl	8	Major Emergency Structure Fire	66	18	136	7		1	0	\$450,000	0 hours, 45 min.
	INC. #	F/F FATALITY								CIV/INJURY	INCIDENT DURATION		
	0249	0								0	7 hours, 9 min.		

MAJOR EMERGENCY STRUCTURE FIRE INJURES FIREFIGHTER

On Monday, January 30, 2012 at 8:08 AM, 18 Companies of Los Angeles Firefighters, 7 LAFD Rescue Ambulances, 2 Arson Units, 3 Urban Search and Rescue Units, 2 EMS Battalion Captains, 7 Battalion Chief Officer Command Teams, 1 Division Chief Officer Command Team, 1 Rehab Air Tender & 1 Emergency Air, all under the direction of Battalion Chief Carlos Calvillo responded to a Structure Fire at 6245 South Manhattan Place in Southeast Los Angeles.

Over 100 Los Angeles Firefighters battled a Major Emergency Structure Fire in a furniture warehouse, doing business as C&L Furniture. One firefighter sustained minor burns from the intense heat. On January 30th, 2012, just after 8 AM, firefighters arrived in less than three minutes to 6245 South Manhattan Place. Fortunately, occupants had just exited the 100' x 100' metal clad commercial building that was rapidly filling with black smoke and fire. It was quickly realized that a long battle was about to begin, and additional companies were immediately requested. As firefighters entered a loading dock alley on the west side of the structure, they encountered roaring flames. Rotary saws were utilized to force entry through gates and cut through the metal clad sides of the building, allowing firefighters to make access and attack the blaze with hose-lines. Due to the heavy fire load and the construction of the 42 year-old structure, it was deemed unsafe for firefighters to perform vertical ventilation on the roof, however they remained in an intensive, offensive attack. A total of 136 firefighters, under the command of Battalion Chief Carlos Calvillo, confined the fire to the structure of origin and fully extinguished the flames in just 45 minutes. Teams of Los Angeles Firefighters stayed over seven hours assisting the business owner by combing through approximately 10,000 square-feet of goods to salvage. When asked if there was anything unusual regarding this fire, Chief Calvillo stated, "It was unusual that firefighters encountered that much fire so early on. It expanded very quick and we are fortunate that all on scene made an such an aggressive attack." No nearby exposures were damaged. One firefighter received minor burns from the intense heat and was treated by fellow firefighters, then transported to a local hospital in good condition. The cause of this fire is, "undetermined, most probable accidental", likely due to workers performing normal maintenance on a spray booth. The dollar loss is estimated at \$450,000 (\$200,000 structure & \$250,000 contents). Dispatched Units: E66 RA866 E57 RA257 E21 E221 T21 SQ21 E266 T66 EM11 BC13 BC11 E46 RA57 RA257 DC2 E215 T15 E226 T26 E15 E64 EM9 BC18 T5 E205 E5 UR85 UR88 BC4 T3 E203 UR3 RA3 BC9 BC2 BC14 E229 T29 E61 E26 E220 T20 AR1 RA64 RA29 EM2 AR3 RT59 EA1 DT1 E85



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
2/3/2012	2:47 AM	West Florence Avenue x South	8	Traffic Accident MCI	57	5	46	9		0	0	\$N/A	1 hour, 16 min.
	INC. #	Halldale Avenue								F/F FATALITY	CIV/INJURY		INCIDENT DURATION
	0084	South Los Angeles								0	6		1 hour, 16 min.

EARLY MORNING ACCIDENT CRITICALLY INJURES SIX IN SOUTH LOS ANGELES

South Los Angeles - An early morning traffic collision critically injured six patients and brought nearly 50 Firefighters to the scene.

At 2:47 am on Friday, February 3, 2012, Firefighters responded to the intersection of West Florence Avenue and South Halldale Avenue for a reported "traffic collision." First arriving resources noted several victims lying in the middle of the street but could identify only a single vehicle. Immediately, additional resources were requested to the scene of this "multi-casualty-incident" (MCI).

The involved vehicle, carrying a total of six passengers, appeared to have struck a tree. A report from one Rescue Ambulance confirmed that five of the patients had been ejected from the sport-utility-vehicle (SUV) and one additional patient did require extrication. 46 Firefighters, including 9 Rescue Ambulances, worked quickly and diligently to provide the best and most appropriate patient-care at the scene of this horrible accident.

All six patients were young-adult females and unfortunately, each sustained what appeared to be life-threatening injuries. They were each rapidly transported to local hospitals in "critical condition." It was not clear at the time of this report if any of the passengers were wearing seat belts and the exact cause of the accident is under active investigation by the LAPD.

Dispatched Units:

E57 RA257 RA57 E266 E66 T66 E33 HR56 EM11 BC13 E46

RA857 RA66 EM2 RA33 RA46 EM9 RA64 RA264 RA866 E57