



Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
Battalion 7
Incident Notification

DATE: January 21, 2018

TIME OF ALARM: 10:51 a.m.

TYPE OF ALARM: Residential Structure Fire

LOCATION: 1889 Galbreth Rd. **Pinole, CA**

RESPONSE: 1 Truck Company, 4 Engines, 2 Battalion Chiefs, 1 Fire Dispatcher

ASSISTING AGENCIES: Contra Costa County Fire/EMS, Pinole PD, PG&E, Mark Scott Construction

TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 21

All Concerned -

Fire agencies from the cities of Pinole, Rodeo, Hercules, San Pablo, El Cerrito and El Sobrante responded to a reported garage fire at a home in Pinole. While enroute to the incident responding crews reported black smoke visible from several miles away. As responders arrived to the incident they were met with heavy fire from a garage that was spreading into the eaves and attic of the home as well as onto two cars that were parked in the home's driveway.

All of the fire crews work in coordination to stop the spread of the fire into the living areas of the home. The home was ventilated by a fire crew from the roof to quickly and safely remove hot smoke and gasses building up inside the residence. The combination of a quick exterior fire attack into the garage combined with the ventilation effort allowed interior operating crews the ability thoroughly search the home for any possible fire victims. The rapid firefighting operation also was effective at saving the majority of the living area of the home and personal contents.

At the time the garage fire started, one resident was sleeping inside the home and was awakened by neighbors yelling and knocking on the front door. The sole resident escaped successfully from his burning home but was transported by a Contra Costa County Fire/EMS Ambulance Crew to a nearby hospital for mild smoke inhalation. No other civilian or firefighter injuries occurred at the incident. Upon investigation, the exact cause of the garage fire was undetermined but was not suspicious in nature.



Please call me with any questions related to this incident.



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