



PRESS RELEASE

City of Visalia Fire Department

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2-Alarm Fire Damages 2 Structure in East Visalia

On Sunday, October 9, 2016, at 1:42 am, the Visalia Fire Department was dispatched to a residential structure fire at 334 N. Vista. Upon the arrival of the first fire unit, they found one structure fully involved, an additional structure partially involved, and a third structure immediately threatened. All occupants from the residences had evacuated prior to arrival. Fire personnel used large water lines to attack the main fire and protect the exposure, and additional crews made entry into the partially involved structure to attack the fire. A Second Alarm was requested bringing additional fire apparatus and personnel to the scene. The fire was contained in approximately 30 minutes. One occupant suffered burn injuries and was transported to Kaweah Delta Medical Center, and then transferred to the burn unit at Community Regional Medical Center in Fresno.

The fire caused an estimated \$276,000 in damage to the two residential structures and contents. Six fire engines, one ladder truck and one Battalion Chief, with a total of 22 personnel, responded to the fire. Cal Fire assisted at the scene and Tulare County Fire Department assisted with fire station coverage during the incident. The cause of the fire is under investigation at this time.

Approved By: Danny Wristen, Battalion Chief

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