DATE: 8/17/2023

TIME OF ALARM: 14:16 hrs

TYPE OF ALARM: Structure Fire

LOCATION: 280 Sierra Dr., Walnut Creek, CA

RESPONSE: 1st Alarm- T1, E4, E15, E5, E7, SOF1, BC1, BC2, INV80, INV2, ISU20
2nd Alarm- E10, E2, T6, BC4, DIST1

ASSISTING AGENCIES: Walnut Creek PD, AMR, Moraga-Orinda Fire

TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 24

All Concerned-

Contra Costa County Fire- Truck 1 (Walnut Creek), Engine 4 (Walnut Creek), Engine 15 (Lafayette), Engine 5 (Pleasant Hill), Engine 7 (Walnut Creek), Safety Officer 1 (Concord), Investigator 80 and Investigator 2 (Pittsburg) Incident Support Unit 20 (Concord) Battalion 1 (Pleasant Hill), and Battalion 2 (Concord) responded to a reported Residential Structure Fire at 280 Sierra Dr, Walnut Creek CA. Upon arrival Truck
1 was met with heavy smoke coming from the attic area of a single story home. E4 then arrived on scene and stretched a hoseline through the garage to begin extinguishing the fire while Truck 1 went to the roof to begin vertical ventilation of the home. Battalion 1 then arrived on scene and took over command of the fire. Battalion 2 then arrived to assist with command of the incident. While Battalion 1 was giving missions to Engine 15 and Engine 7, Contra Costa Fire Regional Communications called Battalion 1 over the radio saying they had just received a phone call from the owner of the home stating that his mother may be somewhere in the home, possibly in the back room, and that she was unaccounted for at the present moment. Battalion 1 immediately requested a 2nd Alarm fire response for the potential of a rescue and instructed both Engine 7 and Engine 15 to immediately search the residence.

Engine 7 and Engine 15 were able to rapidly search the home due to improving fire conditions from extinguishment and ventilation. Engine 7 and Engine 15 were able to clear the home via search and confirmed no victims were in the residence. At this point the 2nd Alarm response was canceled. Engine 5 arrived and was assigned as the Rapid Intervention Crew for the incident.

A short time later the unaccounted for resident arrived at the home via personal vehicle; the resident had been out doing errands and had not been at the home at the time of the fire.

Due to the quick response, aggressive fire attack, and ventilation, crews were able to keep the main fire contained to a laundry room/workshop area with some extension in the attic. The remainder of the home suffered some minor to moderate smoke damage. However, due to the construction style of the roof, a large portion of the roof over the garage had to be removed by fire crews due to significant fire damage.

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