



Contra Costa County Fire Protection District
Incident Notification

DATE: 2/12/2025

TIME OF ALARM: 11:02:00 PM

TYPE OF ALARM: Structure Fire

LOCATION: 875 Nicholas Court, Brentwood CA

RESPONSE: Residential Second Alarm: 7 Engines, 2 Trucks, 1 Rescue, 3 Battalion Chiefs, 1 Safety Officer, 1 Investigator, 1 District Chief

ASSISTING AGENCIES: Brentwood PD, AMR, PGE

TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 33

At approximately 10:02 PM PST, Contra Costa County Fire responded to a reported "exterior fire" near Nicholas Court. Engine 92, the first to arrive, discovered heavy smoke originating from the garage of a large two-story home. They immediately requested a structure fire response, established command, and declared they would be operating in rescue mode with an offensive strategy due to reports that the resident was a disabled elderly male inside. A second alarm with an additional ALS ambulance was requested as the fire spread from the garage into the home, and the solo crew immediately entered the home to search for the man.

Truck 92 arrived next and assumed command, addressing the heavy fire in the garage and setting up aerial ventilation to improve interior conditions for crews and potential victims. Battalion 9 then took command upon arrival and utilized arriving crews to address exposures on three sides of the home. Crews worked together to rapidly search the home, targeting high probability areas first to find the reported man.

The primary search was quickly declared "all clear" on the first floor but the second floor was more of a challenge due to extent of fire and fire damage to structural members of the home. Truck 92's vertical ventilation helped by releasing the heavy smoke and heat, and the fire was able to be completely knocked down as the primary search on the second floor was declared "all clear". Additional crews arrived to provide relief to exhausted crew and support operations.

The victim was found by personnel searching the garage, under fire debris next to a car. He was pronounced deceased on-scene. The fire is still under investigation by our Fire investigation unit.

Due to investigation efforts and heavy overhaul required, fire units stayed on scene for an extended time, requiring cover units from central county to cover the gaps in service in east county into the early morning hours.

There were no other citizen or firefighter injuries.

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