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## **ALARM ACTIVITY REPORT**

DATE OF INCIDENT: June 28 2009  
ADDRESS OF ALARM: 1500 Hudson St, Apartment 20, Redwood City  
NATURE: Structure Fire / Multi Family Residential  
ALARM LEVEL: 2<sup>nd</sup> Alarm  
TIME: 11:47 AM  
UNDER CONTROL: 12:06 PM  
UNITS ON SCENE: 10 Engine Companies  
2 Truck Companies  
5 Battalion Chiefs  
1 Breathing Support (air) unit  
1 Incident Dispatcher  
1 Fire Investigator  
2 AMR Ambulances  
1 AMR Supervisor

**SYNOPSIS OF ALARM:** Redwood City Firefighters along with Firefighters from Menlo Park, Woodside, and Belmont San Carlos responded on a report of an Apartment Fire. On arrival fire companies found a ground floor apartment fully involved in fire, with fire extending to the apartment above on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Engines made an aggressive interior attack to control the fire, and prevent the fire from spreading to neighboring units. Simultaneously, Truck Company members cut holes in the roof to ventilate the fire. There was some minor extension of Fire into the attic area that was quickly contained by Fire Crews.

There were 4 injuries sustained during this incident:

A male adult who resided in the unit of origin sustained burns to his hands and arms, as well as respiratory tract burns. He was transported to Stanford, and then flown via Lifeflight to Valley Medical Center.

A female adult who resided in the apartment above the apartment of origin sustained cuts to her hands while trying to retrieve a fire extinguisher. She was transported to Stanford via private vehicle.

A Firefighter from Redwood City who sustained a shoulder injury.

A Firefighter from Belmont / San Carlos Fire who got debris in his eyes.

The cause of the fire is currently under investigation. The loss is estimated at \$200,000 to the structure and \$30,000 to the contents.

Cooperating in the control of the incident were the Redwood City Police Department and Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

Home Fires continue to be the number one cause of fire deaths. It is critical that every home and apartment is equipped with a working smoke detector, and that the batteries are changed at least twice a year. It is also important to have an escape plan and to practice it on a regular basis.

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