# Garden Grove Fire Department Summary Origin and Cause Report

Accidental 13061 Fairview, Garden Grove 4/30/2019 19:18 hours GGFD Incident 19-05051

### NOTIFICATION AND RESPONSE

At 19:18 on 4/30/2019, I was assigned to investigate a structure fire located in the Berrydale Trailer Villa Space #49 in the City of Garden Grove.

### **SUMMARY ORIGIN AND CAUSE**

This fires area of origin was determined to have been in the kitchen area. I found the occupant of the involved trailer sitting upright in a chair across from the involved fire unit. When asked what happened the tenant stated, "I was cooking on the stove and heard a sound, then it exploded". The building occupant was transported ALS to UCI the closest burn center.

## Ignition Source/Material First Ignited/Fire Development

The fires ignition source is believed to be cooking equipment in the kitchen. The specific material first ignited is undetermined. After a sudden explosion the fire then rapidly developed in size, catching the surrounding contents.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Based upon the fire scene examination, witness statements, it is the conclusion of this fire investigator that this explosion originated in the kitchen. The cause of this explosion is undetermined. I could not rule out the possibility of a natural gas build up, that was ignited by cooking equipment. Or the possibility of a unspecified malfunction of cooking equipment. This fire is ruled as accidental

## **STATUS**

This investigation is closed.

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