



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: House Fire / Butane Honey Oil (BHO) lab

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On May 5, 2018 at about 10: 11 PM, deputies from the Rancho San Diego Station responded to assist the fire department with a garage fire in the 900 block of Maria Avenue in Spring Valley. Upon arrival, a male resident was located who had suffered burns to approximately 30% of his body; he was transported to the UCSD Medical Center for treatment.

Once the fire was extinguished, large canisters of butane gas were located as well as pounds of unprocessed marijuana. There was a closed loop pressure system in the garage which is believed to have been used to process the marijuana into concentrated cannabis oil or "honey oil." Narcotics Task Force, HAZMAT and Sheriff's Bomb/Arson detectives responded to investigate. No arrests have been made; the case is still under investigation.