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CAR HITS BUILDING IN VILLAGE

RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. — Today at 11:30 a.m. Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District firefighters responded to the report of a vehicle into a building at the corner of La Granada and El Tordo. Upon arrival they found a car had jumped onto the sidewalk and struck the wall in the front of the Rancho Santa Fe Pharmacy and Spirit Shoppe. The driver and one passenger, who were still in the car when the firefighters arrived, were treated at the scene and transported to a local hospital with minor injuries. No one inside the structure was injured, but all occupants were evacuated from the building.

Those who responded to the scene included four firefighters, two paramedics, one battalion chief, California Highway Patrol officers, and Sheriff's Department officers. The building department was also called out to inspect the damage to the structure and determined it was unsafe to occupy the building until an evaluation by a structural engineer could take place. The cause of the accident is under investigation.

The mission of the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District is "To protect life, property, and environment through prevention, preparedness, education and emergency response." Formed in 1946, the Fire District now spans approximately 42-square miles and protects over 21,000 citizens. The Fire District currently operates out of four full-time fire stations and serves the communities within and surrounding Rancho Santa Fe and 4S-Ranch.

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