

# Truck, construction equipment fall off Camelback Mountain cliff in Phoenix

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Crews were working on the west side of Camelback Mountain on Wednesday afternoon to retrieve a truck and a large piece of construction equipment that plummeted off the side of a cliff earlier in the day.

No one was injured in the accident, which occurred about 10:30 a.m.

The truck and the large backhoe fell about 80 feet from a construction site above, where work was taking place at a home near Cliffside Drive and Grandview Road, on the west side of Camelback Mountain, the Phoenix Fire Department said.

Fire officials were called to the scene after a wreckage company was unable to remove the vehicles, which were on their side in a rugged area on the mountain, fire officials said.

Shortly before 5 p.m., five tow trucks had driven to the mountain to help remove the equipment.

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# Truck flies off road onto Yorba Linda house, killing two people



A truck crashed into a house in Yorba Linda late Saturday, killing the vehicle's occupants. (Allen J. Schaben / Los Angeles Times)



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**A** pickup truck fell on top of a house in Yorba Linda on Saturday night, killing the two passengers and injuring some people inside the home, authorities said.

Yorba Linda residents Donald Wall, 38, and Danielle Velazquez, 40, were in the maroon Dodge pickup at around 11:20 p.m. Saturday driving downhill in the 5600 block of Lakeview Avenue. The driver lost control and the truck careened through an empty lot on the hill, becoming airborne before landing on top of the house, authorities said.

The car landed on top of an empty bedroom, but some of the occupants sustained minor injuries, authorities said

It's unclear who was driving the truck, but both Wall and Velazquez died in the crash, according to the [Orange County Coroner](#).

It's also unclear how many people were inside the home — OC Sheriff's Dept. said there were five people inside, while OC Fire Authority said there were six people inside, including three adults and three children.

"Two adults and one child were transported to local area hospitals with minor injuries," said OC Fire Capt. Larry Kurtz.

There is [extensive damage](#) to the rest of the home, which houses a family, said Lt. Steve Gil of the Orange County Sheriff's Dept. Yorba Linda station. The OC Sheriff's Dept. is investigating the crash.

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