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Southend's RNLI Lifeboat Launched To Grounded Yacht.

Southend on sea's RNLI Atlantic 85 lifeboat was launched from the pierhead boathouse at 16.30hrs this afternoon to reports of a grounded sailing yacht, at Holehaven Creek, Canvey Island.

The volunteer lifeboat crew arrived on scene to find the 38ft yacht with two persons aboard, both ok, had broken its mooring line and drifted into the shallows on the east bank with the ebbing tide.

The lifeboat crew set up a tow line, pulled the vessel free and towed it back to its mooring.

Southend lifeboat returned to the pierhead boathouse.

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Key facts about the RNLI: The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea. Its volunteers provide a 24-hour search and rescue service around the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland coasts. The RNLI operates over 230 lifeboat stations in the UK and Ireland and has more than 140 lifeguard units on beaches around the UK. The RNLI is independent of Coastguard and government and depends on voluntary donations and legacies to maintain its rescue service. Since the RNLI was founded in 1824 its lifeboat crews and lifeguards have saved over 137,000 lives.

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