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CATHOLIC CHARITIES OFFERS FREE RENT TO HEARTHSTONE SENIOR CITIZENS AFFECTED BY WILDFIRES

Catholic Charities Eastern Washington is offering rent concessions to senior citizen residents affected by the wildfires.

Catholic Charities has informed residents in their senior affordable and subsidized housing units in areas affected by recent wildfires that all rent payments will be forgiven/waived for the month of September. This is part of an ongoing effort by Catholic Charities to assist and support residents who were forced to evacuate due to recent wildfires.

On August 25 all residents living at the Hearthstone Apartments received notice of the September rent waivers. Hearthstone is a 48-unit senior housing community located in Medical Lake, operated by Catholic Charities. As well, 4 residents at the Medical Lake apartments were also notified of the rent waivers.

“Many residents of Catholic Charities affordable senior housing had to be evacuated and sheltered last week during the fires and are now returning to their apartments after days of uncertainty, struggle, and trauma” said Catholic Charities Eastern Washington President and CEO Rob McCann. “Giving these residents a one-month hiatus from paying their portion of their subsidized rent will allow them to begin the process of recovery and stabilization.”

Other Catholic Charities programs such as Disaster Response, Emergency Assistance and Community Behavioral Health Services have been assisting individuals and families affected by the wildfires since last Friday, August 18th.

About Catholic Charities Eastern Washington

Catholic Charities Eastern Washington affirms the dignity of every person, partnering with parishes and the greater community to serve and advocate for those who are vulnerable, bringing stability and hope to people throughout Eastern Washington.

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