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Local Red Cross Provides Help to Families of Duplex Fire

[SPOKANE] Washington, February 5 – Volunteers from the American Red Cross Inland Northwest Chapter are assisting two families affected by this evening's fire at 920 S. Dickey in Spokane.

The south side of the duplex was a total loss in the fire, although four adults and two children escaped safely. The family will be staying with relatives tonight. Red Cross volunteers assisted the family with contacting their insurance company at the scene. The Red Cross will follow-up with the family tomorrow to assess what emergency assistance in the form of food, medication replacement, and clothing is needed.

The five adults living in the north side of the duplex are being housed by the Red Cross tonight. Volunteers will also follow up with the family to ensure that they have access to their food, clothing, and medication in the morning.

All American Red Cross assistance is provided free to those impacted by a disaster such as a house fire. Through the generous donations of time and money from the community, the Red Cross is able to be prepared to offer free emergency assistance to anyone in the community 24 hours a day.

Please contact Megan Snow, Director of Communications and Marketing, at 509-990-0969 for further information.

About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross helps people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies. Last year, almost a million volunteers and 35,000 employees helped victims of almost 75,000 disasters; taught lifesaving skills to millions; and helped U.S. service members separated from their families stay connected. Almost 4 million people gave blood through the Red Cross, the largest supplier of blood and blood products in the United States. The American Red Cross is part of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement. An average of 94 cents of every dollar the Red Cross spends is invested in humanitarian services and programs. The Red Cross is not a government agency; it relies on donations of time, money, and blood to do its work.

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