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### **Building Fire Update**

WASHINGTON, NJ – November 2, 2021 – We want to express our deep appreciation to all of you for your well wishes, support, and generosity.

DASACC is so very excited to announce that we have received over \$17,000 in donations (both cash and gift cards) to provide support to those displaced by the fire and to off-set our restoration costs.

The restoration process has begun, and we are excited about how quickly we are moving through the process. We will keep all of you updated of our progress.

In 2020 and well into 2021, DASACC has experienced a sharp increase in services needed in our community. Please note the following: 67% increase in emergency shelter bed nights, 118% increase in those needing emergency shelter, and 86% increase in counseling services.

We are able to provide emergency shelter, clothing, food, transportation, counseling and housing assistance for those impacted by interpersonal violence. More importantly, families are given the tools to develop a sense of safety, to feel in control of their future, and move towards independence and fulfillment.

**ANTI-RACISM/ANTI-OPPRESSION STATEMENT:** DASACC serves all those who identify as being impacted by interpersonal violence; and we strive to maintain knowledge and sensitivity of the impact of race/ethnicity, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, citizenship, disability status, neurodiversity, age, mental health, substance use and any other aspect which make a person unique.

If you or someone you know is being hurt, please call our 24/7 hotline at 908-453-4181.

For information about DASACC, please visit [www.dasacc.org](http://www.dasacc.org).

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