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Deadline Set for Contributions to Renters Affected by Public Works Fire

October 15 will be the last day individuals may make cash donations to assistant tenants of the 38-unit apartment building affected by the July 31 fire in the Public Works Department storage facility next door.

More than \$1,600 has been collected since the Village set up a special bank account in mid-August. Anyone still wishing to make a donation before the deadline can drop off or mail contributions to First Bank of Oak Park, 11 W. Madison St., Oak Park, IL 60302. Checks should be made out to the *Village of Oak Park Fire Donations Fund*. Donations are not tax deductible.

A coalition of local not-for-profit organizations will assist the Village in managing disbursements from the fund to the apartment building's residents. These organizations include the Community Chest of Oak Park, River Forest and Forest Park, West Suburban PADS, Oak Park Township and the Family Service and Mental Health Center of Oak Park and River Forest.

For more information on the assistance effort call 358.5400 or email comsvcs@oak-park.us.

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