

Dear W.C.,

A dear friend of mine just lost all her belongings and a place to live due to a fire in her apartment building. She is a senior citizen with several disabilities, so this has been very traumatic for her. She was just getting by each month on her social security, so she did not have enough money to pay for a motel or to buy new clothing, a new bed or even her medications she had to leave behind. She is staying in my apartment temporarily until my landlord finds out I have an extra person in my studio apartment. Sleeping on my couch is difficult with her bad back and knees but it is better than being homeless. We are praying you can help her get into a new place before she is forced to move out with nowhere to go.

Dear Readers,

This past week 10 people were saved from homelessness thanks to your support. Two families with children were provided rent payments to halt evictions. A single mother was provided a motel room after she had already been evicted and was living in her car. We receive requests daily from people facing homelessness.

I called the woman who wrote this letter requesting our assistance for her dear friend. When the woman answered her phone, I could immediately tell she was upset. When she heard it was The Time is Now to Help calling, she broke down in tears. The landlord had just contacted her that day and told her the additional person in her studio apartment would have to leave by the end of the week or she would be evicted. She was so upset I could hardly console her. I finally had to tell her she needed to get her emotions under control so we could work on a solution together. This seemed to snap her out of her distress.

The woman told me she was going to put her speaker phone on so we could include her senior friend in the conversation. We all introduced ourselves and I listened as the senior friend told me about the fire in her apartment building. The damage was so great she would not be able to return for at least six months. This was not an option for an elderly woman on a fixed income. She also confirmed the loss of most of her belongings.

The woman tentatively asked, "My landlord said he has a two-bedroom apartment becoming available in two weeks. He said we could move into that one together, but we would have to come up with another security deposit. Would that be something you could help us with?" I asked about the costs, and we went over both their budgets. After a thorough review I found this option to be the best for both the women. When I gave my approval for their plan both women broke down in tears of relief.

I called the landlord and after speaking to me he was willing to allow the elderly woman to continue to stay in the woman's present apartment until the two bedroom was available. This was achieved after offering him his requested security deposit and an additional month's rent in advance. The women were overjoyed and grateful. We ended our call with many happy tears, not the distress I had heard at the beginning of our conversation.

Before long the women were in their two-bedroom apartment. With both women sharing an apartment one of the additional benefits was not having to purchase all new household necessities, pots and pans, etc. We did provide a new bed for the elderly woman, new bedding, towels and gift cards for food, clothing, and toiletries. This helped both of their budgets to stay balanced going forward.

Thank you for making this assistance and all our poverty relief efforts possible. Thanks to your compassion and generosity, remarkable things are being accomplished for those suffering in poverty.

*Health & Happiness, Love & GOD Bless Everyone, Sal*

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