

# Your gift at work



*Darryl*

**D**arryl Kirkland was just waking up for work when he heard someone pounding on his door yelling, fire. He quickly grabbed a jacket and headed

outside. Just as he was leaving the apartment, the power went out in the 17-unit complex.

"I was just so glad to get out," said Darryl. "My apartment was completely destroyed in the fire. I don't think there is anything left." Shortly after fire crews extinguished the blaze, American Red Cross volunteers arrived to help residents begin picking up the pieces. "I am really grateful for the Red Cross," said Darryl. "I can't tell you what the help means to me."

In total American Red Cross volunteers assisted eleven individuals affected by this fire. The generous support of financial donors and the United Way allows the American Red Cross to provide victims of disaster with the resources necessary to rebuild their lives.



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