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Dear AFSCME leaders and members,

On Tuesday March 19 Tina Mercer, a long-time member of AFSCME Local 96, suffered a devastating fire. Fortunately sister Mercer and her teen-age son were not home at the time so there were no injuries. Unfortunately, the fire completely consumed the house and all of the contents. As sister Mercer was renting, there is not a loss of the dwelling for her but there are significant costs to temporary housing and replacement of all their personal property which was destroyed.

Local 96 members and officers have already contributed significantly to help sister Mercer out at this time, but we would welcome contributions from other locals and members who are able.

Additional information and updates are available on our Local 96 website [afscme96.org/news](http://afscme96.org/news) .

Contributions can be made out to AFSCME Local 96 with "Mercer Fire Fund" in the payee or memo area of the check, and mailed to AFSCME Local 96, PO Box 1111, Ames, IA 50014

In solidarity,

*Andy Bock*

President