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THANK YOU to the many people who have asked how they can help Imelda and her girls with furnishings and other items needed for their future home!

For the near future, she is living with her brother's family with no extra room for storage.

If you have a household item you believe they could use, please do one of two things:

Complete the google form here (<https://forms.gle/vaBQKRnBVZb1VELRA>) sharing your contact information and item details. Continue to hold on to the item and someone will contact you if/when Imelda would like to accept your item (we cannot guarantee she will need all the items offered nor how long it will be before she needs them).

OR

If you no longer want the item in your home, we encourage you to donate it to 2nd Chance Depot in Sioux Center (run by ATLAS) or the Bargain Alley in Hull (run by Western Christian). Your donation will support these organizations in their work since both have offered to help them furnish their home when the time comes.

NOTE: They WILL NOT SAVE the item for the family, but the sale of your donation will allow these places to help the Mejia-Vargas family.

Dear friends,

As you may know, the home of Imelda Mejia-Vargas and her three daughters was lost in a fire this past Sunday (January 9, 2022). Imelda serves at our school as a cook and custodian. She has daughter who is a freshman at Western Christian and two daughters who are in 6th grade and 3rd grade at SCCS

Thank you to all who have reached out to quickly help Imelda and the girls – clothing and many generous gift cards have already been received and are a blessing to them as they take care of immediate needs. They are living with her brother in town and will be there while the insurance company processes the claim on their home.

We know many in our supportive community want to help the Mejia-Vargas family, so we want to share that **Atlas has set up an account at American State Bank** to receive donations that will mostly be used to help them set up a home when that time comes.

To give a tax-deductible donation, please make your check payable to Atlas, with "Mejia-Vargas family" in memo. Otherwise the check can be made out to "Imelda Mejia-Vargas".

Donations may be dropped off at American State Bank in Sioux Center, Atlas, Sioux Center Christian School or Western Christian High School.

Thank you for being such a supportive community!

Josh Bowar, Head of School
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