

October 11, 2017

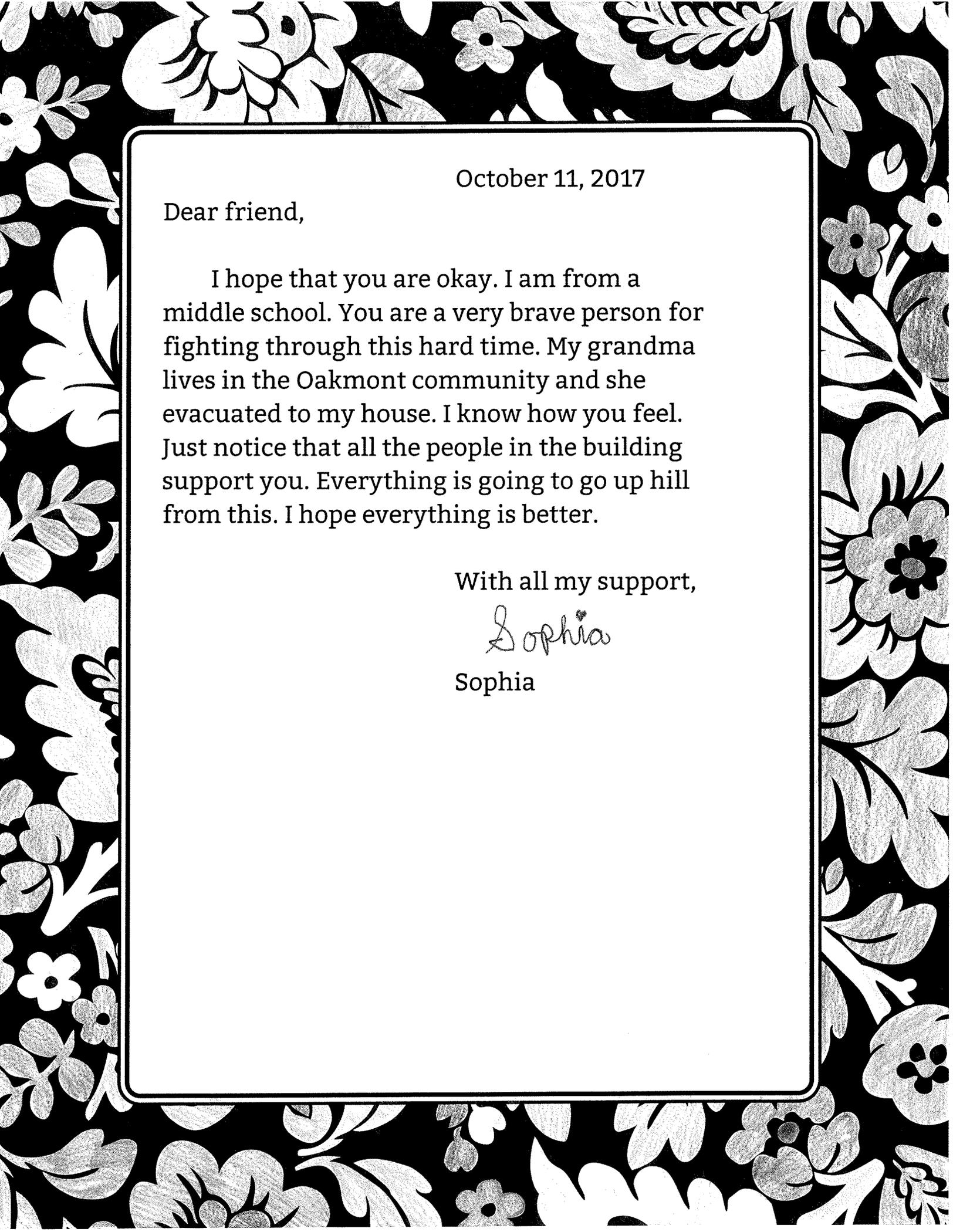
Dear Friend,

You are being and becoming a stronger person. You are being very brave through this process, and many people appreciate you and your strength. We are all thinking of you. This was a very hard and stressful time for many people, but I know you will get through it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sydnie".

Sydnie



October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

I hope that you are okay. I am from a middle school. You are a very brave person for fighting through this hard time. My grandma lives in the Oakmont community and she evacuated to my house. I know how you feel. Just notice that all the people in the building support you. Everything is going to go up hill from this. I hope everything is better.

With all my support,

Sophia

Sophia

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

I understand that you had to evacuate. I know of people that have had to do the same thing. I know you will make it through this. The people that have also evacuated have come back and so will you. It can be tough but you can make it. The key is to stay calm and have a positive attitude.

Wishing you happiness,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tristan".

Tristan

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I really hope you are okay. I will try to do everything I can to help you. I hope that all of your family is okay and many of your friends are too. I am sorry if you lost anything. Even if you lost just a toy, I feel badly. I feel really sorry if you lost anything more valuable than a toy. I had a relative going to Sonoma today but he canceled due to the fire. I want to make sure you guys are okay, so I hope this letter gives you a big boost and will help you get over these terrible accidents. You are doing great!!

Sincerely,

Ryan

Ryan

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I feel horrible because of what happened Sunday and Monday. I can't imagine what you and your family are going through. I have heard many heartbreaking stories about the fire, of people being woken up by a fire. Routes are blocked off because of burning trees or trees blocking the roads, and that's so sad.

Every time I think of this sad, sad event I feel so very bad. We need to stay strong in times like these, because you are a strong and you're powering through it. I understand what you're going through because my friends almost had to evacuate their ranch, and I felt their fear. Stay strong!

Sincerely,

Elise

A caring 6th grader

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I am a 6th grader at a school in Contra Costa County. I really hope that you and your family are safe and uninjured. It must be so hard at this time and you are powering through it. We are all thinking about you and feel horrible. Things will get better from here! I am sure about that.

Wish you all my luck,

Kaleb
Kaleb

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I hope you get through these times with the least possible harm to you. I wish you, your family, friends, and home are okay by the time the fires end. I am in a middle school. We don't have many dangers out here so I fight for those who can't fight for themselves. I know how tough it is but you're powering through this event my friends and I give you full support through these times. I wish you luck and support you no matter what happens through this time.

I know it is tough but I hope by the time you read this you are out of the range of the fire. I know you will be okay, so my friends, family, and I give you full support and luck through these times.

Love,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cort".

Cort

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

Though you may have lost something because of these dreadfully horrible fires, you never lose your courage. You persist through the hardships that face you. You stay sane and you stay courageous. I am honestly sorry that you had to leave your home and other things behind. I admire that you can do these things.

I admire that you can survive. I am pretty sure I wouldn't be able to do these things, but you can.

I am quite sorry that you had to leave these things behind. I hope that things get a whole lot better for you.

With sympathy,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Emilio". The signature is written in a dark ink and is centered on the page.

Emilio

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

I feel badly that the fire might hurt you and your family. I am so sorry that you had to leave your home knowing that it might burn down. I want to comfort you and say that I am very, very, very sorry that this unfortunate disaster affected many things in your life. I cannot imagine what you are going through.

Some wise information is to stay with your loved ones and stick together. Here the fire is not present, but we get the smoke. You will do well and remember to think of others.

Sincerely,

yoee

A caring 6th grader

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I'm so sorry to hear about the fire. I am hoping that you are safe and you are doing okay. We are all thinking of you and praying for you. We all hope that the fires will soon be over. I know someone who was also affected by this fire and they lost their house. Know that your friends and family are there for you. I don't know what I would do if I ever lost my house. I hope that no one was hurt and that you were able to grab everything you needed. We all know that you can get through this and we believe in you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Whitney" followed by a simple heart symbol.

Whitney

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I am so glad you made it out. I don't really have a friend or family member that was affected, but if i were in your shoes, I would be very scared. It must have been hard to leave somewhere with so many great memories. I wouldn't want to have to leave somewhere like that, and you must have been so brave to leave your home.

Sincerley,

Nick

Nick

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

My name is Avery and I live near San Francisco. I am so terribly sorry about the current situation that you are in. You must have so much bravery to be getting through this. Just know there are so many others that are in the same situation. I really do hope things get better for you. I know what you're feeling, because my mom's best friend that is pregnant, lives in Napa and is now going to be staying at our house for a while. So again, just know we all are praying for all of the victims of this tragic event.

Lots of love,

Avery
Avery

October 12, 2017

Dear Friends,

Hi friends. I am so sorry that you have been affected by the fires. I am here in the bay area and we smell the smoke a lot and it is really bad. I am wondering how bad it is over there. You and all the people are in my prayers that this fire will stop some day soon. You are probably thinking that it will never stop, but you just need to have confidence, okay? The firefighters are doing all they can to help. Remember, don't think of the past, but be thankful that you were saved! You and many other people are praying for you. I am one of them and my whole family is too.

From,

Michael

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I understand how you are feeling about the fire. I have friends that had to evacuate their homes because of the fire. They live in Sonoma and now they are staying in a hotel. I believe that you will get through it and it will get better. I know it is hard but you have to believe in yourself and stay positive. I will get better. We had a fire in our town last year and one in Lafayette. It is important to stay calm and positive about the situation. You will push through it. I wish you my full support and happiness.

Wishing you peace and happiness,



Emily

OCTOBER 11, 2017

DEAR FRIENDS,

I HOPE YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE OKAY. I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT YOU ARE FEELING. I CAN'T IMAGINE WHAT I WOULD DO IN YOUR SITUATION. I'VE HEARD MANY TRAGIC STORIES ABOUT THE FIRE. I THINK ABOUT THIS INCIDENT OVER AND OVER AND I STILL THINK THE SAME THING. WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP? I BELIEVE IN YOU TO RECOVER BECAUSE YOU ARE POWERFUL. I BELIEVE THAT IT WILL GET BETTER. I HOPE YOU ARE OKAY AND I BELIEVE IN YOU.

SINCERELY,

Rylen

RYLEN

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I hope you are well and healthy. I hope your day is going well. I'm sorry to hear about so many losses. I hope everything is going better than it was. I was so unhappy to hear about the fires that are happening right now. The world is just in a bad place right now, but think of it like this: everything will be better in the future. Just Be Positive and everything will be okay! I hope the rest of your day is great! I hope everything gets better.

Love,

Sophia

Sophia♥

October, 11 2017

Dear Friends,

I really hope you are alright. I really wish I was there to help, but I am stuck back at my house. I have no doubt after the fire everything will be all right. The winds are supposed to die down which will help the firefighters!

Sincerely,

Joey
Joey

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I hope that you and your loved ones are safe. I know that life is hard right now, but when you have people that care about you, it's not so hard. Just try to see that this won't last forever. It will end, and when it does, you can focus on moving forward with the help of family and friends. You are not alone in this. People are doing everything they can to help. In the meantime, stay strong and have faith, that when this is over you will pull through.

With hope and love,

Ava

Ava

October 11, 2017

Dear people,

It must be so hard to stay calm with the fire. We had a small fire in our town and everyone was stressed out. I cannot believe how many people were affected by the fire. I hope you can find a place to live, eat, and drink. I could never imagine the hardship you are going through, losing so much. I wish you luck and hope you are safe.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Callen".

Callen

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I am very sad about what happened. I know leaving your only home in the middle of the night because there is a fire coming must be hard. I have had dreams about having to leave my house, and I woke up crying. Just know that there are people fighting the fires and it's all going to be over soon. A while ago my fire alarm went off at three in the morning and I was really scared. It must be like that for you except it wasn't a fake. My mother was also in the Oakland fire a long time ago. She was okay, but her house burned down. And there even comparing it to the Oakland fire, so I really get how you can feel. All of the U.S. is praying for you.

Sincerely,

Braden

Braden

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

We all hope that you are all okay. I am soooooo sorry that you were affected by the fires.

I get how you feel. I know someone that had to evacuate. We are all praying for all of you. If you need any help, there are lots of resources to help you.

Love,

Cali

Cali

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

I can't believe what has happened. Not just to you, but to all of California. Most of the fires are still wreaking havoc on the state. Even here we can feel the smoke quite badly. It is like a thick fog. The whole country is trying to help in any way they can. I cannot begin to imagine the destruction. I hope you and all your loved ones are well. Even though there has been tragedy, you can always get back on your feet. I really want to help. I know that it must be a struggle, but it will all work out in the end. I wish that things like this would not happen, but I suppose that this is just life. I'm sorry you had to go through this. I'm not going to say that I know what this is like because I don't. I absolutely do not understand, and above all, I don't understand the fire. But don't worry. Things can only get better from here.

With hopes for the future,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nicolo".

Nicolo

October 11, 2017

Dear Friend,

Hi. I am Soren and a 6th grade student in Northern California. I hope you are doing alright. I know how it feels to be stressed. I know life can be hard, but you will get through it. There is a rainbow after the storm, so just hang in there and everything will work out eventually.

I am sure people are donating hundreds of dollars to you guys, but this letter is all I can give. I hope It helps.

Sincerely,

Soren

Soren

October 11, 2017

Dear Friend,

I feel really sorry about what happened. I wish that all will be good after all. I am sure that you are so sad, but believe me, that everything will be all good! The government is trying to put out the fire, and hopefully, the city will be okay. Believe me, everything will just be fine after all! Hope you will get through the rough time!

Sincerely,

Sam

Sam

October, 11, 2017

Dear friend

I am sorry to hear that there are fires where you are. I hope that your family is okay, and nobody is missing or hurt. I just wanted to let you know that there are hundreds of people cheering you on from where I am right now. There is loads of smoke here, and I am 60 miles away, so I can't imagine what it's like for you. I know it may not seem like it, but lots of people are looking up to you for courage and hope in this scary time. Remember to stay strong because things are going to get better. I am very sorry for your loss. Apart from that, I want you to remember that we are doing everything we can to stop this tragic crisis. Remember to stay calm and good luck.

Sincerely,



Christian

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

I know that the fire must have been hard for you. I cannot even begin to imagine what you have gone through, but now things are going to get better. There is not much we can do for you, but I hope the fire is going to be put out soon. You have to stay strong, hope for the best, and believe things will get better soon. I hope you stay safe and recover fast.

Sincerely,

Sofia

Sofia

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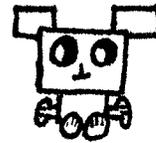
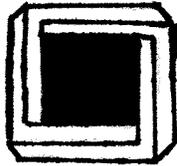
Dear friends,

Right now you are persevering through a hard time in life. We have all had that hard time when everything is at our feet. Everyone is trying to help and we are grateful that you are safe and well. Even though fires are popping up everywhere, we are fighting them with every we got and helping those who give a distress call. We are all affected by these fires and we have to endure through them together. With all of our strength we can win against these powerful fires. I hope your friends and family are safe. We are all hoping you are well and standing strong.

Sincerely,

Tyler

Tyler



October 11, 2017

Dear Friend,

What you have been through is probably very hard, and you have stayed strong even if things are not going right. You have been through more than anyone could imagine and you are teaching everyone a very valuable lesson. You are one of the people that survived and you will always be remembered. You are one of the bravest people in this world going through this, and for that, everyone else will admire you for living through this with a smile on your face. I am able to smell the smoke and it is really amazing that you made it through this. I am really sorry about what happened and I wish I could come and help you.

I know that you and all your family are going to be okay.

Sincerely,

Caroline

Caroline

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I hope you are safe and you are healthy at this time. I couldn't imagine going through what you are going through. I wanted to let you know that you are very brave. The little fires here are nothing compared to what you went through. I also wanted to let you know that everyone's hearts go out to yo, and your family.

I personally think that you and everyone else that was affected by this fire is very strong and brave. I also hope that all your special items are safe and okay.. I wish I could do more to help you and evryone else.

Sincerely,

Sophie

Sophie

October 11, 2017

Dear friends affected by the fire,

I feel that you all are very strong and brave. Where we are there is some smoke, but now you all can tell the tale that you survived the great fire. I wish that I could do more to help. On the news, I saw pictures and I felt so badly for you all. We all have happy wishes for all of you affected by the fire. And keep on standing strong!

Love,

Audrey 

Audrey

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

It must be so hard to see all of the flames. I have family that lives in Santa Rosa and Windsor. They say that it is scary. I bet it is. You guys are so tough to be near the fire and see the flames near you. We have had a fire here in our town. It was so scary. I bet it is so terrifying there. I have seen pictures and been texting my aunts who live there. My mom visited there the day before it happened. She left when the fire was coming near you. We have a lot of smoke here but I bet you guys are having way worse air quality then we have. You are so brave to be going though this.

From ,

Isaiah

Isaiah



October 11, 2017

Dear Friend,

I hope you and everyone you love is safe. I can't imagine what your going through and I really hope you're doing well. Make sure you always believe in yourself and never give up. I'm sure you're having a really hard time right now but I know you're going to be ok.

I will wish you luck every single day. Again, make sure you always believe in yourself and never give up. I will always be cheering for you all the way.

Stay safe,

Daisy

Daisy

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

It must be so heartbreaking to see all of the flames. This fire is a devil. I have family in Windsor and Napa. They said it is so sad. I am pretty sure it is. You are so brave and tough. We are cheering for you. Dig deep and Persevere. Be brave. I really want to help so if I can I most definitely will.

I've been texting with my grandfather and he has been sending pictures.

Just keep going!

Kind Regards,

Vivienne

Vivienne

October 11, 2017

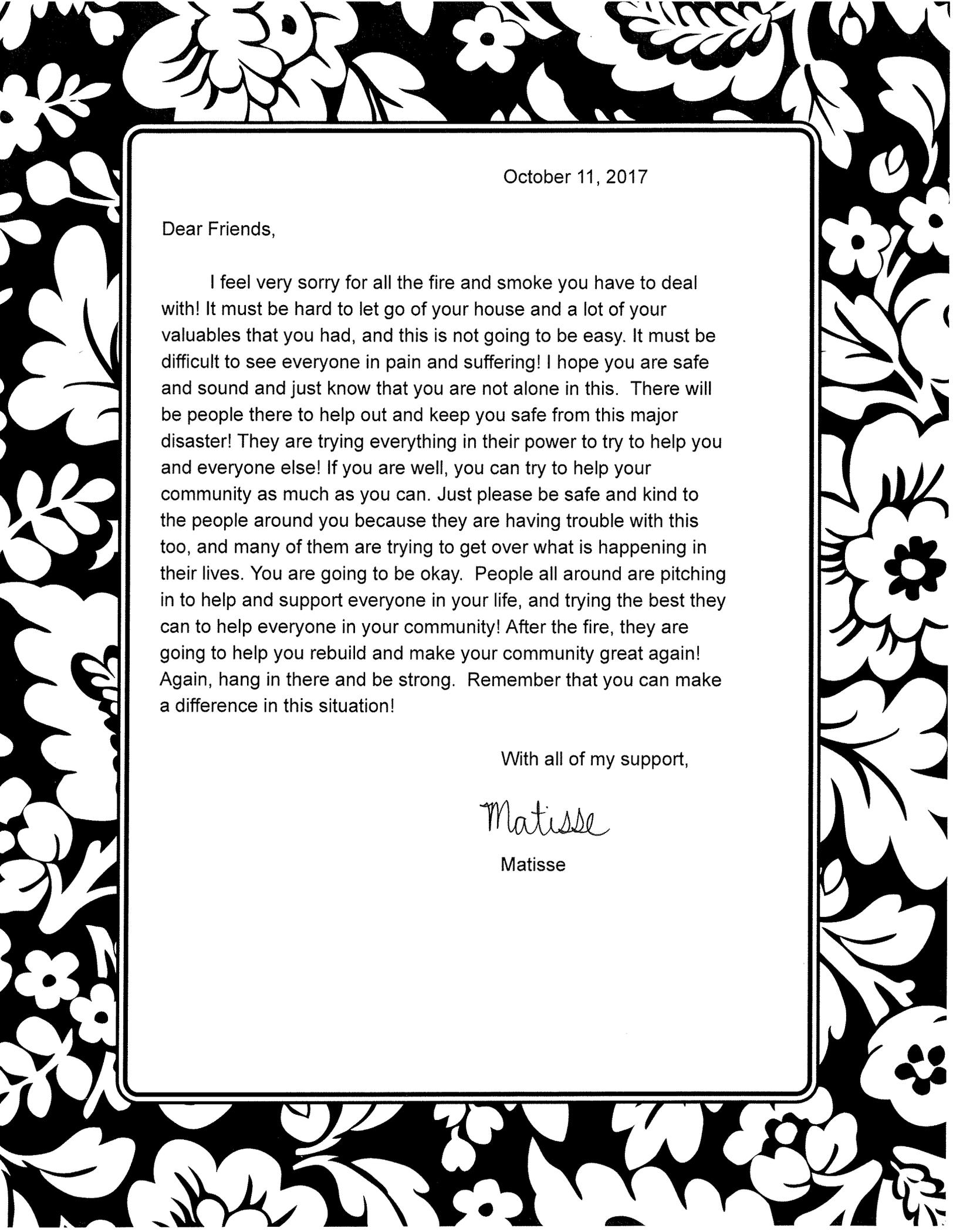
Dear Friend,

I'm a sixth grader named Ben and I live in Contra Costa County. I heard about the fire and I hope you are alright. Even though my parents are going crazy because they want me to stay indoors with all the smoke, I bet where you are it's worse. Since my dad is a lawyer for Kaiser Permanente, he is working on getting lots of people to safety because they had to evacuate a hospital. I hope you have everything you want with you because I know it's really hard to lose stuff too. I was in a fire myself but not nearly as big as the one near you.

I congratulate you on your courage because I could never imagine what you are going through. I hope people look up to you as a symbol of perseverance and bravery. For some reason, I think mother nature is very unhappy. First hurricane Harvey, then the big earthquake in Mexico, and now a huge fire in Sonoma! Did you know that some fires are good? Like the great Chicago Fire in 1871 was tragic, but it cleared up tons of space for amazing architecture. If that hadn't happened then Chicago would not be as beautiful as it is today. I hope that everything turns out okay but I also hope that you keep persevering!

Best of luck,
Benjamin

Ben



October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I feel very sorry for all the fire and smoke you have to deal with! It must be hard to let go of your house and a lot of your valuables that you had, and this is not going to be easy. It must be difficult to see everyone in pain and suffering! I hope you are safe and sound and just know that you are not alone in this. There will be people there to help out and keep you safe from this major disaster! They are trying everything in their power to try to help you and everyone else! If you are well, you can try to help your community as much as you can. Just please be safe and kind to the people around you because they are having trouble with this too, and many of them are trying to get over what is happening in their lives. You are going to be okay. People all around are pitching in to help and support everyone in your life, and trying the best they can to help everyone in your community! After the fire, they are going to help you rebuild and make your community great again! Again, hang in there and be strong. Remember that you can make a difference in this situation!

With all of my support,

Matisse

Matisse

October 11, 2017

Dear friend,

I am so sorry to hear what has happened to you. I hope know that everyone has sent you our best wishes, and everybody is rooting for you. We cherish the fact, that you are alive and hopefully healthy. Did you know that you are loved? People care about you and will give anything to help an innocent person become better. You deserve a positive outcome.

You are awesome! You will survive and a great life will come to you!

Beloved person, you are Amazing!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brandon".

Brandon

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

I am so sorry you had to end up in this situation. I know it is very hard to go through a massive tragedy. Unfortunately, the fire has grown larger than the Oakland fire. On the bright side, in some areas, the firefighters have gained control. This epidemic is trying to be solved. I am really sorry you had to go through this.

Sincerely,

Julia
Julia

October 11, 2017

Dear Families,

I hope you are safe and okay. I cannot imagine what has happened to you in this past week. I hope that you and your family are doing well. I wish that everything is going well. I wish that all of your important belongings are out of danger and protected.

I want your shelter to be safe and not full of smoke. I pray that your lungs are protected from all of the smoke that is around you. Will you and you family please stay safe and protected from the fire and air quality? I also would like for all of you to have happy and positive thoughts about what is happening. I have experienced a couple of fires, but not nearly as bad as the one that you are experiencing.

I know that is very scary. I realize that it can be very sad but I know that everyone is going to be okay.

Sincerely,

Drew

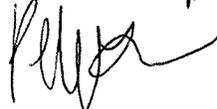
Drew

October 12, 2017

Dear Friends,

I hope that you can get through this as if it never happened. You just have to be strong, have hope, and maybe it just might get a little better. I know this is hard because I know people that are experiencing all of this too. In fact, my cousin is missing and the last place she was seen was in Sonoma eating lunch. It is a horrific event and even though I am not affected a ton, I still feel the pain that you do too. All you have to do is have hope and just hope that it ends soon. Get better soon and I hope this all ends soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Peter', written in black ink.

Peter

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I hope your family, friends are safe and okay. I couldn't even imagine what you are going through, this is a very hard situation. You guys have been staying so strong even though it is hard. I am so sorry this had to happen to you. I know it is hard but you have to keep on fighting. I know it will be better. I really wish i could do a lot more. You are in my prayers and everything will get better soon.

With love,

Haley

Haley

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

I am very sorry about what is going on with the fires. I hope nothing really bad has happened yet and you are safe. It must be really hard to breath with all the smoke around you. Just know that soon there will be people to help you through this disaster. They are trying their best to help everybody and keep everybody safe. Don't panic because then it will make everything worse. If everything is ok with you, then try to help other people stay safe. Stay strong, kind, and safe.

Sincerely,

Dylan

Dylan

October 11, 2017

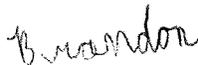
Dear people,

My name is Brandon and I am a Sixth grader in Contra Costa County. Whether you are a first responder, an affected person or both, I thank you for your bravery and courage to leave your house and get to safety. I sincerely hope that the smoke has not added any unwanted health issues.

Your bravery is outstanding for helping out. I hope that you were not extremely affected or at all. If you are helping, I esteem you highly for your help, and even if you didn't, I praise you for keeping your composure in these hard times.

I want you to understand that we are doing all we can at the moment and that you are not being forgotten. If your house or job has been taken away from you, I am deeply sorry. I hope that your situation isn't extreme and if it is, I am deeply sorry for your loss.

Sincerely,



Brandon

October 11, 2017

Dear people,

I cannot believe how badly this fire has affected so many families and homes. Everyone who has been struggling to fight for their lives and you are so brave. To all of the people who have been injured, have had houses burned down or had to evacuate, I am so sorry for their losses. I hope in the future, nothing bad will happen to you and you will be able to live on and forget about this terror. This fire is a very scary, sad, and tragic event.

So much has happened in the world and now, this. I hope all is well and I would love to do something to support and help. I really hope that everyone will be okay. I cannot imagine what it would feel like to have my neighborhood burnt down. If there is a possibility for me to help, I definitely will.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hailey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Hailey

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

I am very sorry about the fire and I hope you will make your life great and whole again. I know some of you have evacuated and some of you have stayed but I hope the fire will not change your life forever. You can stay strong and rebuild your life. The fire shouldn't change your personality so cling on to the important things in your life and change things around. You are strong, understandable, and you can beat the heat and beat the aftermath.

Stay safe out there and stay strong.

Sincerely,

Niko

Nicholas

October 11, 2017

Dear Friends,

I am horrifically sorry about the fire, and I honestly feel very bad. I haven't experienced anything that scary. I hope that you and your family will be okay and also your friends. Some of my family lives in Napa, and I heard how scary it was and still probably still is. I bet there was lots and lots of stuff in your house that were keepsakes. I know it is hard to lose that stuff and I seriously can't even imagine that happening to me. I am very sorry and feel very badly for everyone who was affected by the tons of fires in the area. I hope everyone is okay, and I hope that everyone can bond together to comfort each other.

Sincerely,

Brooklyn

Brooklyn

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

Hi people! We all feel terribly sorry for you guys. It's sad that you have to go through bad stuff. We all feel badly for you guys and hope you are brave and strong, because if you have a strong heart and are brave, you will get through this. I am so sorry that I can't do anything to help you guys but all I can do is wish that you will be safe and pray for you guys. Anyway, stay strong no matter what and you will get through this.

Sincerely,

ERIC

Eric

October 11, 2017

Dear Friend,

I hope that you, your family, and your friends are safe. I can only imagine what you are going through. We've had some little fires here before, but none as big as this one. I really hope that everything gets better for you and I know that it will. We all have to stay strong and support each other. I wish I could do more to help, but in the meantime, we are all cheering for you. Your courage is an inspiration and gives us hope that everything will be alright. Thank you for staying strong when the fire is making everything weak.

Sincerely,

Calista

Calista

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

I'm sorry that this has happened, I can't imagine what you and your family are going through right now. I have been watching the news the past few days and have seen the fires and smelled the smoke. All my love is going to you and the other families who have been affected by this fire.

Lots of love,

Sadie

Sadie

October 11, 2017

Dear friends,

I hope that you are safe and I will try to help you as much as I can. You shouldn't worry; you are going to make it out okay. You are already very strong for fighting through this and I hope that you will fight until the end. I will give you as much support as possible to help you through this time.

Sincerely,

Nolan

Nolan