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Dear UTSC Community,

It is with great sadness that we address you today. As you may have already heard through various news platforms, a fire erupted at a house near campus which has impacted the lives of four students in our campus community. We are sending out our deepest condolences and utmost support to the friends and family of those affected. During this difficult time, it is important that we all support and check-in on one another as a community.

The following is a list of resources available to students who may have been directly or indirectly affected by the fire:

- **Good2Talk -** Free, professional and confidential counselling support for students in Ontario. To access, call 1-866-925-5454 or 2-1-1.
- **Health & Wellness Centre** Medical, nursing, counselling, health promotion and education services to UTSC students. Contact them at health-services@utsc.utoronto.ca or call (416)287-7065 for more info.
- Food Pantry at Morningside The closest food bank to UTSC, for those who need immediate access to food. It is located at 90 Mornelle Court, and is open Saturdays from 2pm - 4pm.
- **Kennedy House Youth Shelter -** the only shelter in East Toronto, offering emergency and supportive care to homeless youth (aged 16-24) in our city. The shelter is located at 1076 Pape Avenue and is open 24/7.
- City of Toronto's Housing Stabilization Fund provides money for emergency housing needs to people receiving financial assistance through Ontario Works. If you do not already have an Ontario Works caseworker, contact the Toronto Rent Bank at 416-924-2543 ext. 226

SCSU is here to support all students on campus; student concerns, health, and well-being are of the absolute importance. If you have any questions, concerns, or need space to decompress, please do not hesitate to visit us at SL108 in the Student Centre. The office is open 11am - 4pm, Monday through Friday.

Sincerely,

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