

Funds raised for BC students' fire losses

(KAIR)--Details regarding the Atchison residents who lost their home to a Sunday morning fire are released through a fundraiser started on their behalf.

According to the GoFundMe information, all four residents of 304 Mound Street are students at Benedictine College, with Rian Bautista, Andrew Gomez, Ben Walter, and Anton Murray losing both their home, and belongings, in the late morning blaze.

The fundraiser has a goal of \$5,000, with the organizers saying the donated funds "will go to replacing clothing, textbooks, computers, and other personal belongings that were lost to the fire," adding that "any amount of money is greatly appreciated and will go a long way."

The GoFundMe was begun because although "the Benedictine College community has started to come together to remedy the situation," the organizers note "they could use some more help."

Atchison firefighters responded to the home shortly after 10:30 Sunday morning where Atchison Fire Chief Patrick Weishaar said "they found the back deck and the back of the single-story residence engulfed in fire."

Exceptionally strong winds gusted as firefighters worked to extinguish the fire, which led to minor damage to a neighboring house.

An exact cause of the fire has not been made public, but on Sunday Weishaar said "it has been determined the fire began on or near the back deck."

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