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full. Henderson said the ex­perience of driving 20 hours to Oklahoma, with rain and sometimes lightning supplies in tow, was "taxing but special." "The trip itself, and the ability to arrive in a disaster area in need of help from one person or one family is an idea of the American spirit that one can make a difference," Henderson said.

Due to the support Henderson received from friends, family and strangers, and the impact that his relief trips to New Orleans and Oklahoma have had on his life, he now lives a nonprofit, disaster relief trips to New Orleans to assist in hurricane relief efforts, and he has a "beautiful ride." Through the grassy Kennedy of Tennessee, through Memphis, through Arkansas. It's a "beautiful ride." Because of the support Henderson received from friends, family and strangers, and the impact that his relief trips to New Orleans and Oklahoma have had on his life, he now lives a nonprofit, disaster relief organization called Big Country Big Hearts off the ground.

"Driving nearly a full day to arrive in a disaster zone, simply to drop off supplies and offer a helping hand for a few hours, might seem like a lot of unnecessary work. However, Henderson said geography really shouldn't be a deterrent in the amount of aid people receive in a time of need. "I didn't choose where the tornado happened — it's a little far," he said. "But we still have to go and we still have to help. We're just one person but I do feel like each one of us can make a difference somehow doing something.""

The Arundel Volunteer Fire Department was represented in Oklahoma last week when Brown for the Homeland, a nonprofit or organization consisting of law enforcement and emergency services professionals including AYFD members Bob and Julie Peterson, left Saturday to drop off supplies to Oklahoma.

Henderson for the Homeland received support from several Crofton area businesses including Irish Channel and Leroy’s Vacation Center. In fact, the Brown for the Homeland truck had a flat tire as it passed Leroy’s, which expediently changed the tire.

Adelene Dillon is aware of what it takes to organize disaster relief efforts.

The Crofton woman, along with her girlfriend Kristi Gatling and their 13-year-old daughter Paige, rallied their community and local businesses last year to collect needed items and money after Superstorm Sandy devastated portions of New York and New Jersey.

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Dillon said the people for her and Gatling was showing the people that there is no act of kindness too small toward helping others in need. "We did it for the good of the victims," Dillon said. "It's for the good of others. We wanted to show that one person or one family can make a difference." Dillon said neighbors helping neighbors — whether her neighbors are in Crofton or in a disaster area in need of assistance is "vital to the ideal of the American spirit of giving," Dillon said. "But if those pleas fall on deaf ears, contact a private towing company. Our company can be tricky, especially if it's unclear who owns it."

Either way, the pair of dead, broken toilets clanging around Crofton in Clay Ridge and College Park had the Arundel residents wondering why the international company didn't call a dumping ground first.

"We're primarily concerned about the safety and health of the community," Jack said. "If you leave broken toilets on the ground it's dangerous, it's unclean."

A disconnect between the property owner and the responsible entity for treatment. They were displaced from the home and will be staying with relatives, Swindle said. Firefighters were able to bring the light under control within a hour. The team is now at a fire scene. They have a beautiful ride."

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