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DuPagePads
The Solution to End Homelessness.

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DuPagePads remains open 24 hours in deep freeze!

WHEATON, IL - This week and especially today, DuPagePads remains open 24 hours! Providing seamless shelter, safety and support; partnering with volunteers, congregations, police and fire departments, and area hospitals, DuPagePads is insuring that people who are homeless in DuPage County are safe and warm.

Carol Simler, President & CEO of DuPagePads is grateful for the overwhelming spirit of hospitality provided by agency volunteers and staff. "We appreciate the willingness of congregations and volunteers partnering with our staff to provide food and a warm place especially tonight for our honored guests!"

Our Street Outreach team is working with local police departments to help get unsheltered people in our County out of the cold and to shelter. The community is asked to call the local police department to report any unsheltered homeless individuals.

The DuPagePads Client Service Center is a Warming Site for people who are homeless in the county. This week the Center is opening at 7am and remains open until all clients are transported to the overnight sites and back to the Client Service Center the following morning. According to Jen Coyer, Director of the DuPagePads Client Service Center, "we are seeing families with children under five years old, a man just walked in with icicles in his beard and possible frostbite! Our biggest concern is keeping everyone safe and warm during one of the coldest weeks in decades!"

Simler says, "We are grateful for the congregations and volunteers who are extending their hours in the morning and afternoon to accommodate the needs of our clients." DuPagePads is working with Uber & Lyft to transport families and individuals to shelter and to the daytime warming center.

The frigid weather is not stopping the largest provider of homeless services in DuPage County!

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With over 30 years of service, DuPagePads is the largest provider of services to those who are homeless in DuPage County. DuPagePads' solution to ending homelessness is housing, coupled with support services and employment to transform lives. The administration office is located at 601 West Liberty, Wheaton, IL 60187. Additional information can be obtained by contacting DuPagePads at 630.682.3846 or at www.dupagepads.org.

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everything can change.**