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PADS PIPELINE

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REHAB BEGINS ON TWO PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING BUILDINGS

Renovation is in progress on two buildings that will soon be utilized by PADS for permanent supportive housing. The buildings were acquired by the IFF (Illinois Facilities Fund) who received funding through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program from both the State of Illinois and Cook County. Our relationship is that the IFF, working with PADS, is charged with identifying foreclosed properties, renovating the properties, and then turning the properties over to non-profit organizations for use as, in this case, permanent supportive housing.

The buildings are located in Oak Lawn (four units) and in Blue Island (duplex). All units contain two bedrooms. After PADS takes possession and begins utilizing the units our commitment is to maintain the units as "affordable" for 20 years. Our intention is to utilize them to house current guests of our programs.

The Families First Neighborhood Stabilization Program was designed to assist homeless households through South Suburban PADS partnership in the IFF's State of Illinois' NSP. By combining these programs, with supportive services, PADS will be able to assist households overcome homelessness and achieve self-sufficiency. The key to a client's self-sufficiency is the availability of the supportive services that PADS is able to provide via an Illinois Department of Human Services grant.

Seeking appropriate clients is being accomplished through a wide ranging and comprehensive outreach effort. The outreach representatives assist in educating shelter clients and the community at large about the new supportive housing opportunity and identify prospective participants for the program. During the screening process clients will be connected to a case manager that will conduct assessments to determine the needs and coordinate appropriate services such as employment, healthcare, transportation, mental health services and addictions services. This will help each selected resident achieve the greatest amount of their goals in the shortest period of time once they are able to move into their own living unit.

Clientele will come from the area at large, the PADS emergency overnight shelters and through referrals through partnering agencies. Clients will receive individual health history/assessment, clinic referrals for primary physician and specialty care or dental care as required. Additionally, the Homeless Healthcare Network nurse will be available to assist each person with monitoring their health for things such as blood pressure and glucose levels; disease and medication education; including appropriate lifestyle changes to control or improve their condition. Educated clients are much more likely to be compliant about their healthcare.

Clients will also be assessed for any mental/I health and/or addiction needs. Clients will be able to acquire psychiatric/psychological and substance abuse treatment through partnering agencies.

These units are a wonderful addition to our housing assistance toolbox. Renovation is in progress and the anticipated move-in dates for six lucky families will be this Fall.

Mark Your Calendars:

June 18th—Boogie Down 70's Night Fundraiser

August 15th—13th Annual Golf Outing

Details inside this issue.

PADS Mission Statement

South Suburban PADS is an interfaith program providing shelter and supportive services to homeless persons. Compassion, hospitality and dignity are key characteristics of the PADS Program.

PADS PROGRAMS

Emergency Overnight Shelters

A Faith Community based program that provides safe, overnight shelter and meals for men, women and accompanied children. PADS emergency shelters are located within Faith Communities throughout the south and southwest suburbs.

PADS Daytime Program

Year-round supportive service centers in Chicago Heights and Oak Lawn offer case management services, job readiness programs, employment services, computer literacy, and basic education programs. PADS Daytime also provides guests with mail and telephone services.

Homeless Healthcare Network

A collaborative community-wide endeavor which engages volunteer, professional healthcare providers who offer free primary care to PADS guests.

Homeless Prevention Program

An effort to assist families in danger of losing their home due to an unexpected crisis or temporary loss of income.

Project WIN

Partnerships with local agencies allow PADS to address the medical, mental health and addiction needs of its guests.

Families First & Project WISH

These programs are designed to meet the needs of families with children and single adults by combining special on-site programs with transitional-to-permanent housing opportunities.

Rapid Re-Housing

Rapid Re-Housing is a new program and is part of the current stimulus package. These federal funds help us move individuals that are homeless into affordable housing quickly and provide a housing subsidy for up to six months.

Annual Meeting

**South Suburban PADS
Annual Meeting
Wednesday, June 8, 2011**

**Community Mennonite Church
16200 S. Kedzie Avenue
Markham, Illinois**

**6:30pm—Coffee and Dessert
7:15pm—Meeting Call-to-Order**

**Meeting Agenda
By-Law Review
Election of Officers
Approval of 2011-2012 Budget
Year-End Reports
Awards Presentations**

This meeting is open to the public.

Volunteers Needed

Shift volunteers and cook teams are still needed for the summer IHP shelter program.

Contact Dawn Thrasher, Community Resource Coordinator, 708-754-4357, ext. 107 | dawn@sspads.org.

Working one, four hour shift once a month, or preparing one meal once a month, is all that's needed to help us serve our guests this summer.



Our Pantry Shelves are Bare

Often times we do not have meal teams for our summer shelter. When this happens, we cook from our pantry supply. However, our shelves are bare. Can you help?

Needed are all types of perishable and non-perishable food items for breakfast, lunch and dinner. We have a large pantry for dry products, a refrigerator for cold storage, and three freezers for prepared meals that can be frozen.

Food items are accepted at the PADS office at 414 W. Lincoln Highway, Chicago Heights, Monday—Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Message from the Board President

The years pass quickly, especially when you enjoy what you are doing! Serving as president of the South Suburban PADS Board of Directors for the last three years has been an honor. I have served the PADS organization for just about 17 years; as a volunteer, site manager, committee member, board member and board president. With each assignment, my appreciation of the people we serve, the employees that serve our guests, our loyal volunteers and Faith Communities, and the work that we do, grows more and more.

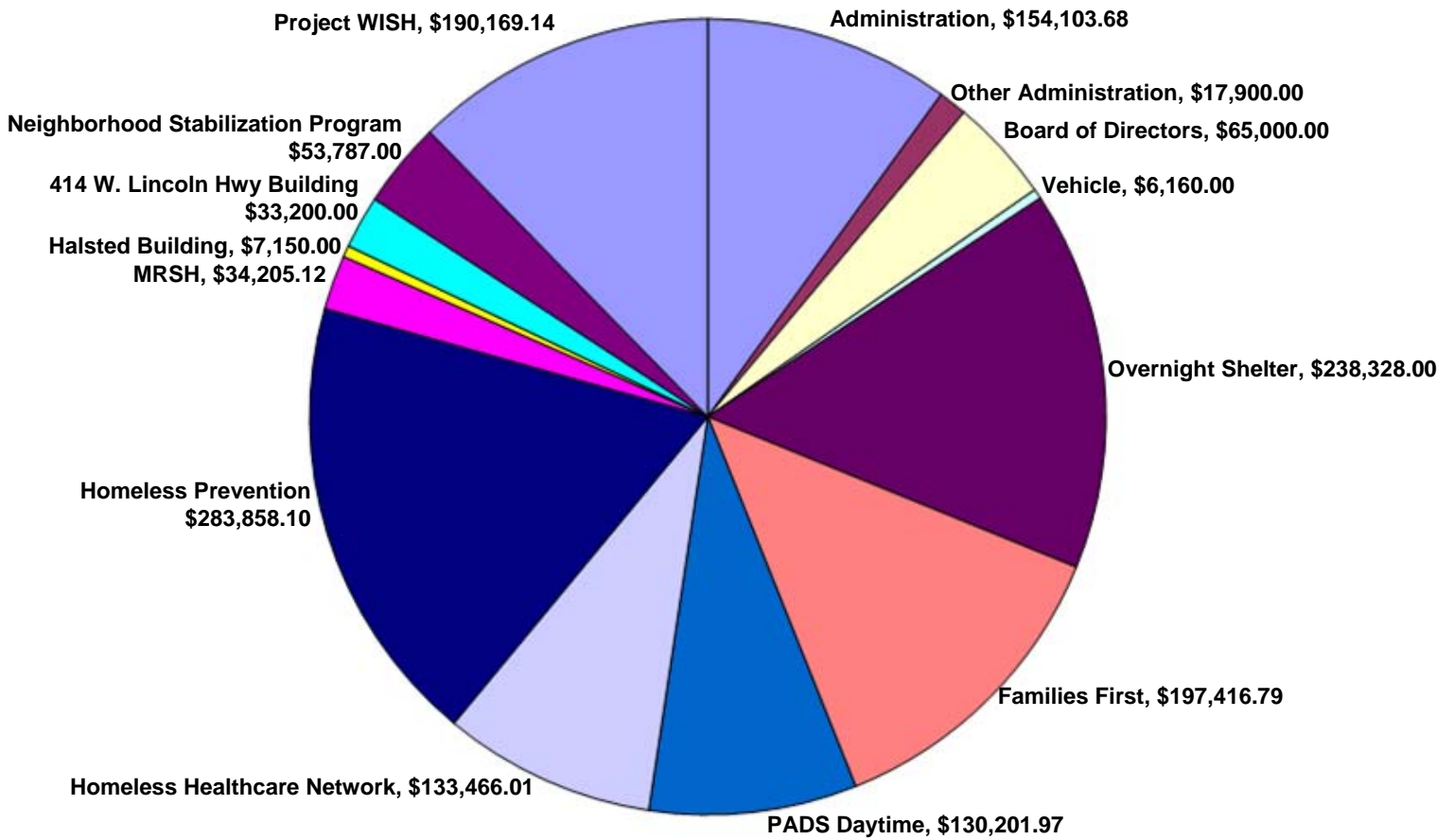
I want to thank my co-members of the board for their support. Our successes are a result of a team effort; at the board, employee, volunteer and donor level. This is truly a team effort.

While I am retiring as a site manager and my term as board president is over, I plan to remain an active member of the board and a second shift volunteer at Prince of Peace. I pass the gavel and my support to the next board president, who I am sure will do many great things.

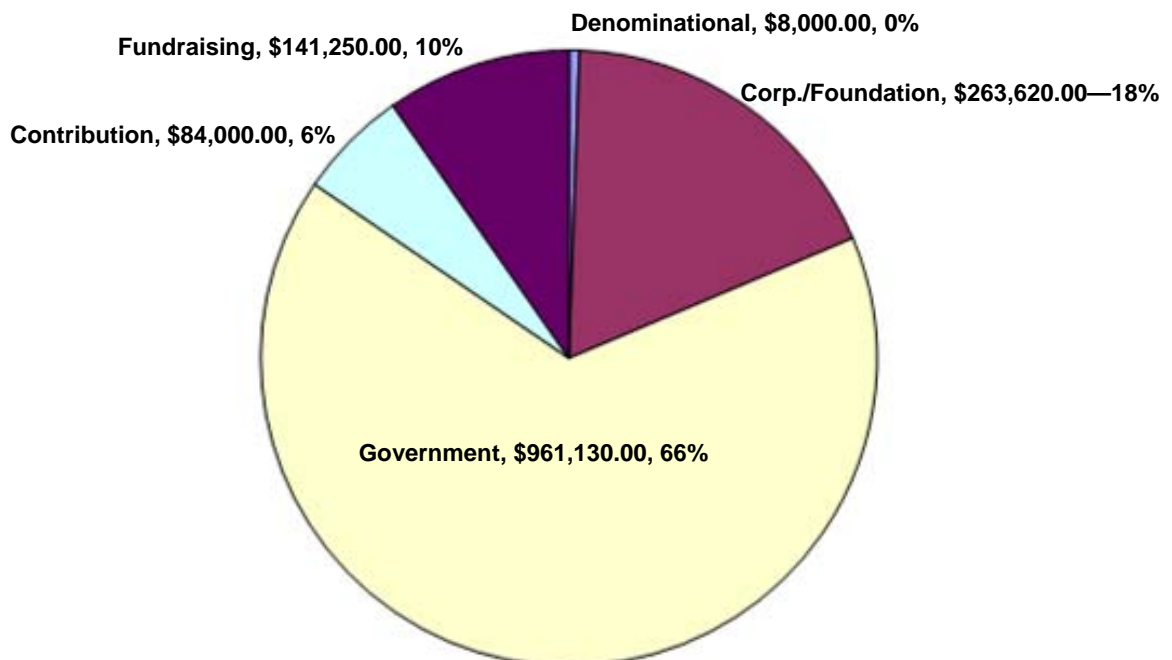


**Georgia Blackstone
President – PADS
Board of Directors**

PADS Projected Budgeted Expenses for 2011-2012



PADS Projected Budgeted Income for 2011-2012





Boogie Down 70's Night

**A Fundraiser benefitting
South Suburban PADS**

***Hey, all you COOL CATZ and FOXIE LADIES,
come and JAM at our banging 70's
themed fundraiser!***

Blow the dust off your funk and dig-out those old platform shoes and bell bottoms. Come shake your bootay to raise funds for South Suburban PADS. Prize for the best 70's costume. Enjoy the music and karaoke of Dave Ziebell. So, feel the funk and *boogie down* for our righteous cause.

**To purchase tickets contact Liz Moore or Mario Martinez
at the PADS office at 708-754-4357 or by email at
lizm@sspads.org / mariom@sspads.org. Or you can
purchase tickets with a credit card on-line at
www.sspads.org**

- ◆ **KARAOKE**
- ◆ **DANCING**
- ◆ **70's MUSIC**
- ◆ **RAFFLES**
- ◆ **BEST 70'S COSTUME CONTEST**



**Saturday
▶ June 18.
2011**

**▶ 6:00 PM to
12:00 Midnight**

**MOSCOW CENTER
At
Sacred Heart
Catholic Church
8242 W. 111th St.
Palos Hills, IL
60465**

**Tickets: \$35 Each
(\$40.00 at the door)
Ticket purchase
includes 2 alcoholic
beverages and
dinner.**



South Suburban PADS
13th Annual Golf Outing
Monday, August 15, 2011
 at the newly renovated

Glenwoodie Golf Course, Glenwood, Illinois

9:30am Registration / Continental Breakfast
 10:00am Putting Contest
 11:00am Shotgun Start
 4:30pm Awards Buffet Banquet

Hole-in-One "Winner's Choice" of one trip for two, valued at \$10,000.00.

Hawaiian Golf Vacation

Pebble Beach Golf/Spa Getaway

Super Bowl XLVI Getaway

Golf Package—\$110

(\$100 if paid by July 15th)

Includes: Green fees and cart

- Continental Breakfast
- Lunch ticket
- Awards Buffet Banquet (cash bar)

(\$56 tax-deductible donation to PADS—
 \$46 if you pay \$100)

Prizes for:

Closest-to-Pin

Hole-in-One

Longest Putt (men/women)

Longest Drive (men/women)

Low Gross (men/women)

Raffles:

50/50 Raffle

Raffle Tickets: \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20

Sponsor Opportunities

Check sponsor choice and return this page with payment to:

(see reverse side for payment information)

South Suburban PADS, 414 W. Lincoln Highway, Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Event Sponsor (only one) - \$2,000

Includes complimentary foursome, event sponsor listing in all publicity and event program, signage on golf course and at banquet, and special recognition at golfer's instructions and banquet

Gold Sponsor—\$1,000

Includes complimentary foursome, listing in event program, signage on course and at banquet, and special recognition at banquet.

Beverage Cart Sponsor—\$500

Includes signage on beverage cart and recognition in event program and at banquet

Closest-to-Pin (Men/Women) - \$150

Longest Drive (Men/Women) - \$150

Includes listing in event program and signage on golf course.

Hole Sponsor—\$125

Includes listing in event program and signage on course.

13th Annual Golf Outing Registration

Golf Registration—\$110 per person / \$100 if before July 15, 2011

\$56 tax-deductible donation to support PADS (\$46 if paying \$100.00)

First Name	Last Name	Phone Number	I would like to Golf With (if single registration)	Payment included for: (please check all names that apply)

Dinner Only Registration-\$25.00 per person

First Name	Last Name	Phone Number	Payment included for: (please check all names that apply)

Payment:

Credit Card Information

(We use the secure service of PayPal, which requires information for all fields shown below.)

Name: _____

Mailing Address (Street, City, State, Zip): _____

Card Type: _____ Card Exp. Date: _____ Card Number: _____

Amount to Charge: \$ _____ Security Code from back of Credit Card: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Signature: _____

(Signature provides authorization for South Suburban PADS to charge your account for this purchase.)

Payment by Check

Make check payable to South Suburban PADS and mail with this form to:

Golf Committee
South Suburban PADS
414 W. Lincoln Highway
Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Site Managers Needed

After many years of service, three of our site managers have decided to step down next year. This means we have three site manager positions available and need your help filling them.

Do you:

- ◆ Love the PADS mission?
- ◆ Have good delegating skills?
- ◆ Are a team player?

All three sites have been part of our network for many years and have strong volunteer teams. The site manager's role is to ensure supplies are on-hand; volunteer rosters are full and scheduled, and weekly team leaders are geared up for their leadership roles.

The sites are:

- ◆ Sunday: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Chicago Heights, women and Children
- ◆ Monday: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Chicago Heights, men's IHP site
- ◆ Tuesday: Our Savior Lutheran Church, Burbank, men's site.

If you are interested or know of someone that would make a good site manager, please contact Dawn Thrasher at 708-754-4357, ext. 107 or via email to dawn@sspads.org.



AmeriCorp VISTAS Help South Suburban PADS

Meet Helen Miller, an AmeriCorps VISTA (Volunteer in Service To America) member who has worked at South Suburban PADS since August 2010. Many of you have spoken with Helen over the last year when calling to discuss volunteer opportunities and schedules. Her one-year assignment, which ends this July, has been to work with Dawn Thrasher, community resource coordinator, to help develop new and improve existing volunteer processes.



Helen Miller
Americorp VISTAS

Helen's greatest satisfaction in her position is seeing volunteers thrive. "It's good to see other people get involved," she said. "I like working with volunteers. It's good to see it work out for them and the organization."

In addition to working with volunteers, Helen was pivotal in revamping the Volunteer Database along with process documentation so that many of the data entry tasks needed by PADS can easily be performed by PADS volunteers from their home computers. "This is a tremendous time-saver", says Dawn Thrasher, community resource coordinator. Recording volunteer registrations, contact information updates, and hours served is a very time consuming but necessary task. "Having the assistance of volunteers for this data entry allows me to spend my time in other areas such as finding new sites and more volunteers", continued Thrasher.

Helen has also spent considerable time developing a volunteer training program for PADS. Training volunteers is difficult since our volunteers are spread-out across the 58 community service area, and many work full time, leaving little time for training. This new training program will be accessible via the Internet so that volunteers can be trained in the comfort of their own home, and at a time convenient to their schedule. Additionally, the program will be available to all site managers and the PADS office for group training sessions.

Donations Made at Spree Resale



Thank you to our loyal supporters who have dropped donations at the Spree Resale Store and attended our Event Night on May 15th. Because of your support PADS has raised over \$1,000 in just three months — all from your closets!

Remember, every time you drop donations at the Spree Store (151st Street & LaGrange Rd, Orland Park, IL) and tell the attendant that the donations are on behalf of PADS, we receive a per pound agreed to dollar amount that helps us provide supportive services to our guests.

Spree is open for donation drop-off Tuesday through Saturday, from 10:00am to 9:00pm and Sunday from 10:00am to 6:00pm.

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In "Memory" and "Honor" Of

Since May 1, 2010 South Suburban PADS has been the benefactor of donations made *In Memory Of* and *In Honor Of* many loved individuals. Thank you to everyone that made one of these donations to PADS. Your selection of our agency to be the recipient of donations made on behalf of those you cherish is truly a blessing and very much appreciated.

IN MEMORY OF:

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Cynthia & Leonard Chira
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60th Birthday

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Kenneth & Roberta Hardy

Sheryl Germany

Marge Hedegard

Mary & Keith McLean

Jerry Levine's Birthday

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