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Happy New Year, the Lord's Richest Blessings to you and your congregation.

You no doubt understand the pressing need for Christ followers to be concerned about individuals and families who are poor, homeless, and in need of shelter within our Illinois communities. South Suburban PADS has for 26 years provided emergency shelter services for over 15,000 individuals and last year (2015) assisted over 400 individuals with apartments, emergency utility payments, food, clothing, and many other supportive services.

Currently we are grateful for the assistance of 20 local churches and their continual usage of their facilities in providing overnight shelter and meals to those who are homeless. There are individuals who are so comfortable with shelter community living that they are afraid to live on their own. These individuals are considered chronically homeless. South Suburban PADS believes that we can house individuals in an apartment or permanent group setting and get them off the streets and live better lives. We have connected with Aunt Martha's to provide the medical and mental assistance for those in our emergency shelters. However, we are in need of a permanent site to call home for 25-50 individuals who are chronically homeless.

Scripture reminds us of our call to action for those who are poor among us and in need. Proverbs 19:17 says *"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deeds."*

Our efforts to end homelessness by housing individuals can't take effect unless we have the support of everyone in our communities. Here is where you come in!

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I'm writing to ask you to donate the first month's rent of \$750.00 or your best gift to help permanently house individuals and or families during all seasons and not just in the winter.

If you would like to sit down and have a discussion about this donation you can contact us at 708-550-4411 ext. 101 or [rstevens@sspads.org](mailto:rstevens@sspads.org).

We hope to hear from you soon, and thank you in advance for your generosity.

Warm Regards,

*Regina Stevens*

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