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Press Release

Country Club Hills Wellness Center Five Year Anniversary Celebration!

COUNTRY CLUB HILLS, November 18, 2017: After 16 years of trials and obstacles, South Suburban PADS and 200 south suburban residents accomplished their goal of building the Country Club Hills Wellness Center. This 5 story, 77 unit building at 4411 W. Gatling Blvd, in Country Club Hills, IL, houses individuals and families who experienced homelessness. The facility includes a children's playground, classroom and program offices, computer lab, culinary kitchen for cooking classes and meal prep education, a vegetable garden, and a wellness clinic.



On November 18, 2017 from 1:30pm to 4pm, South Suburban PADS will celebrate the 5 Year Anniversary of The Country Club Hills Wellness Center providing homes and wraparound services to its residents. A brief ceremony will honor our partners Walsh Construction, Harley Ellis Devereaux, Applegate & Thorne-Thomsen, P.C., National Equity Fund, Inc., Turnstone Development Corporation, Bank of America, Lightengale Group, and the Illinois Housing

Development Authority, adding their names to the Pathways Home wall with other partners, their contributions to the design, construction, development, and financing of the Country Club Hills Wellness Center ensured its successful completion. The event includes an exciting volunteer activity, through which all attendees will assemble Thanksgiving baskets for the Country Club Hills Wellness Center residents.

Rev. Henry Roberts, former Board President and current board member, will be honored for his instrumental role and guidance, taking the Country Club Hills Wellness Center project from blueprint to footprint, and working tirelessly toward its sustainability. His leadership allowed South Suburban PADS to forge a pathway to becoming the premier agency in the South Suburbs serving the most vulnerable homeless populations. He humbly declares, "We give God the glory."

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South Suburban PADS thanks the local community leaders, mayors, managers, and residents for their continued support of delivering its mission to end homelessness.

Senator Michael Hastings, of the 19th District, will attend an earlier event the same day, to generously pledge 77 Turkey dinners to the residents of the South Suburban PADS Country Club Hills Wellness Center. Senator Hastings is a longtime supporter and advocate of the South Suburban PADS mission to end homelessness in the South Suburbs. The organization is grateful for his support.

The Country Club Hills 5 Year Anniversary event will culminate with tours of the facility, and a dessert bar.

South Suburban PADS is an interfaith movement that has been working to prevent and end homelessness. Over the past 27 years, the organization has provided shelter and meals to enable over 17,000 people to survive homelessness. South Suburban PADS ultimately seeks to provide pathways home, and currently helps almost 600 people to preserve or access affordable rental homes every year. South Suburban PADS is a 501(c)(3) organization. More at www.sspads.org, facebook.com/sspads.org, or follow us on Twitter @SSPADS.

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