

NEWS RELEASE

Village of Orland Park Begins “Warm A Heart” Winter Drive

New Hats, Gloves, Scarves and Food Being Collected

ORLAND PARK – The Village of Orland Park is hoping to warm some hearts and fill some cupboards this winter by collecting new winter hats, scarves, gloves and nonperishable food items. Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin and Village Clerk Dave Maher have teamed up to again lead Orland Park’s “Warm a Heart Winter Drive.”

“We’re calling on residents to donate new winter hats, scarves, and mittens for needy children and adults,” said Orland Park Mayor Dan McLaughlin. “We’re also asking residents to donate nonperishable food items this year,” he added.

Orland Park will collect items October 1 through February 1. Donations will then be delivered to Orland Township for distribution through its assistance program and food pantry.

Contributions may be delivered to the Frederick T. Owens Village Hall at 14700 South Ravinia Avenue or the village’s Sportsplex, 11351 West 159th Street.

“We’ve had a number of people come into the Village Hall, asking how they can help this season, especially with so many families struggling to make ends meet,” said Orland Park Village Clerk Dave Maher. “We’re happy to be able to offer this cooperative effort with Orland Township,” he added.

“The community’s response has been wonderful over the past three years,” McLaughlin said. “The current state of the economy has affected countless residents. Hopefully, donations of food and winter clothing will help ease the needs of people struggling this year,” he added.

Further information is available by calling the Village Clerk’s Office at 403-6150.