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### **Parksite Donates Materials to West Suburban PADS Support Center Renovation**

Batavia, IL, March 4, 2010 – Parksite, Inc. was honored to partner with West Suburban PADS on the recent renovation of their entire Support Center. Revitalized spaces include the main reception area, community kitchen, bathrooms, semi-private desks, laundry area and accessible entry ramp for persons with physical disabilities.

According to PADS, “serving over 750 men, women and children access one or more of PADS’s programs each year...PADS offers services in four focus areas: emergency shelter, supportive services, supportive housing, and homeless prevention. Programs range from basic food and shelter, to support services, case management, temporary housing for working families, couples, and single adults, permanent housing for persons disabled by mental illness, and the prevention of homelessness. Toward this end, West Suburban PADS’ programs work to transition homeless individuals and families to secure an affordable, permanent residence.”

This renovation has meant PADS staff are able to serve more clients by offering expanded services, longer hours of operation and additional staffing hours.

Lynda Schueler, Executive Director of PADS adds that, "West Suburban PADS is very grateful for the product and labor donations that made the renovation of our Support Center possible. The newly renovated Support Center has allowed us to significantly expand the scope and enhance the level services we can offer to men, women and families who are homeless in the community. More showers, a new laundry facility, a larger clothes closet, and computer lab are basic, essential services that are necessary so clients can begin to address short-term and long-term goals of self-sufficiency."

Parksite donated seven sheets of DuPont™ Corian® (Sahara) and adhesive. In light of the housing industry downturn, Lynda Schuyler, Executive Director of PADS, noted that obtaining partners for this project was a bit more difficult than anticipated. As a result, the original project was scaled down and in most cases products were sold at greatly reduced prices instead of donated.

“It is a privilege for Parksite to play a role in the community,” said Elizabeth Wheeler, Corporate Administrator, Parksite. “We take our responsibility seriously and choose to affiliate ourselves with charitable organizations within the building industry. We are proud to partner with such a remarkable organization and support outstanding causes. It is our pleasure and an honor to help and to meet so many generous and caring people.”

Other project donors included: The Heartland Construction Group, Maureen Hunter, Gy Menninga, American Building Services, Cornell’s Plumbing, Crawford Supply Co., Custom Air, FLOR, HomeAid Chicago, K.J. Electric and Perkins + Will Architects.

Longtime PADS volunteer Rick Easty is also the owner of The Heartland Construction Group of Chicago, IL. He had this to say about his work as General Contractor for the project, “I’m a builder, and if I’m supposed to be building, as my calling, this was a natural fit for me. This is part of the field where I can be the most effective, where I can do the most good with the time and skills that I have. This project was near and dear to my heart. We all feel better when we give to something where we get value out of our time - that’s our pay. It’s part of who you decide you want to be.”

For more information on West Suburban PADS and an extensive list of their services, please visit [www.westsuburbanpads.org](http://www.westsuburbanpads.org).

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