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What: Homeless Day on the Hill

Where: Central Presbyterian Church (500 Cedar Street St. Paul, MN 55101)

When: Tuesday, March 06, 2018 | Program at 9:00 am, Media Q&A at 10:20 am

St. Paul, MN - Homeless Day on the Hill will motivate and gather more than **800** advocates that agree that quality and accessible housing are necessary for all Minnesotans to thrive. Right now our lawmakers are debating important investments across Minnesota for housing. This is crucial because we know where we live impacts every aspect of our lives. Where we call home affects the groceries we buy, where we send our kids to school, and how we thrive in our community. At every stage of life, where we live is the foundation for our health, education, safety, and economic well-being.

This year, Homes for All supports a \$150M to strengthen Minnesota's Housing Continuum; \$140 million to build and preserve affordable housing, and \$10 million in the state budget to prevent and end homelessness and promote affordable housing.

This investment will build or preserve affordable housing for families, individuals, and seniors who are low wealth and experiencing homelessness throughout Minnesota. Homes for All is a statewide coalition that advances shared policy initiatives that lead to housing stability for all Minnesotans.

The Homeless Day on the Hill program will highlight remarks from GOP/DFL lawmakers, an overview of the Minnesota Coalition for the Homeless' 2018 legislative agenda, a legislative training, and remarks from Ain Dah Yung (Our Home) Center's Ombaazhibineziik Guernsey and Sheri Riemers. This year we will also be joined by philanthropic leaders and the Minnesota Interagency Council on Homelessness as they launch Heading Home Together, a three-year, multi-sector action plan.

"We are proud to launch the Heading Home Together Plan on the same day as Homeless Day on the Hill and believe this plan reflects a growing community understanding and emerging consensus about what is needed to prevent and end homelessness in Minnesota," said Cathy ten Broeke, State Director to Prevent and End Homelessness.

This new statewide plan draws on partnerships between all levels of government, philanthropy, advocates, supportive housing organizations and people with lived experiences of homelessness to prevent and end homelessness in Minnesota.

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