



HOMELESS PERSONS' MEMORIAL DAY RECOGNIZED ON WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19 AT HEARTLAND ALLIANCE

Candle-Lighting Ceremony to Remember Homeless Persons Who Have Passed Away

WHAT: Heartland Alliance is hosting a memorial service in conjunction with Homeless Persons' Memorial Day. Sponsored nationally on December 21 – the longest night of the year – the event will honor recently deceased men and women who were homeless with a recitation of names and a candle-lighting ceremony.

WHO: Among those being remembered are:

- Christopher, a volunteer who did street outreach for those whose situations were more dire than his.
- Louise, also known as "Twin," who was devoted to her family, including her daughter and many grandchildren.
- Joe, a caring man, who looked after his brother (also homeless) and was always concerned about his brother's well-being.
- Robert, who loved old movies, cooking and sharing a hearty meal with friends.

Heartland Alliance is hosting the event for friends, family, colleagues and others to remember those who might otherwise be forgotten.

WHEN: Wednesday, December 19, at 9:00 a.m.

WHERE: 4750 North Sheridan Road, Chicago, first floor, Lamumba Room.

Photo Opportunities and Interviews Available.

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Heartland Alliance for Human Needs & Human Rights champions the human rights and improves the lives of men, women, and children who are threatened by poverty or danger. For more than 100 years we have been providing solutions – through services and policy – that move individuals from crisis to stability and on to success. Our work in housing, health care, legal protections, and economic security serves more than 100,000 people annually, helping them build better lives.

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