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SMARTBOX Forms Partnership with Chicago Cares

CHICAGO, Feb. 4, 2008 – SMARTBOX Chicago, a leader in the portable self storage and moving industry, is proud to announce it is partnering with Chicago Cares to help the community service organization with storage and moving needs for a variety of its projects.

SMARTBOX will provide storage containers – called SmartBoxes – to Chicago Cares to use for long- or short-term storage onsite at some of the hundreds of hands-on group volunteer projects it creates, manages and leads each month as well as offsite at SMARTBOX's 24,000 square foot, temperature-controlled storage center.

“Chicago Cares has made a tremendous impact in the Chicagoland community for the past 16 years,” said Greg Kaufman, president and co-owner of SMARTBOX Chicago. “We’re excited to be able to give a little something back to them and hope we can help them accomplish even more of their goals.”

Said Katie Stearns, director of service events at Chicago Cares: “With as many events as we create and manage, SMARTBOX is a natural partner for us. We’re anxious to make use of the onsite and offsite storage capabilities SMARTBOX can provide.”

SMARTBOX, new to the market, services the entire Chicago metro area, offering individuals and businesses affordable and convenient storage and moving solutions. Customers contact SMARTBOX, which then delivers (up to seven of) its more flexibly sized storage containers at one time (8 feet long x 7 feet tall x 5 feet wide) directly to their door. Users pack their SmartBoxes according to their schedules, and when finished, they can either keep the SmartBoxes at their existing site or call SMARTBOX to pick them up for storage at its climate-controlled storage center or delivery to another location – across town or across the country. More information can be found at <http://www.smartboxusa.com/chicago>.

About Chicago Cares

Founded in 1991, Chicago Cares is the premier volunteer organization in the city. Chicago Cares provides opportunities every day for individuals and businesses to improve the Chicago community by creating, managing and leading, flexible and custom group volunteer projects designed to address Chicago's most pressing needs. Since its inception, Chicago Cares has offered 275,000 opportunities for Chicagoans to give back at over 20,000 community service projects and dedicated more than 800,000 hours of service to the City of Chicago. Chicago Cares is a proud member of Points of Light & Hands on Network. More information can be found at www.chicagocares.org.

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