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MEDIA ALERT

TOMORROW – NICOR NATIONAL SPONSORS “COATS FOR KIDS” IN COOPERATION WITH WAYSIDE CROSS MINISTRIES

What: More than one hundred area children will receive new winter coats this year through the Coats for Kids project thanks to the generosity of Nicor National and its employees. This is the sixth year Nicor National will provide coats to needy children by partnering with the Urban Youth Ministry division of Wayside Cross Ministries of Aurora.

Wayside Cross Ministries works with a network of churches and social service agencies to distribute the coats to needy families in the Greater Kane County and parts of DuPage and Kendall Counties. The Urban Youth Ministry division collaborates with area churches and businesses to coordinate after-school programs, offer a teen mentoring program, and provide a baseball league. It also reaches out to refugee youth through World Relief.

Photo Opportunity: There will be an excellent photo opportunity at this event. Winter coats of all styles and colors will be sorted and packaged by Nicor National employees for donation to the Urban Youth Ministry division of Wayside Cross Ministries of Aurora. Scot Thurman, Director of Urban Youth Ministry, will be on hand to talk about the value these gifts bring to the communities Wayside Cross Ministries serves and its network of social service agencies, especially during these challenging times.

When: **Tuesday, December 7, 2010 – 1:30 p.m. (Wayside arrives at 2 p.m.)**

Where: Nicor National
2019 Corporate Lane, Suite 159
Naperville, IL 60563

Who: Nicor National Volunteers
Wayside Cross Ministries Staff

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