

Wayside Cross Ministries

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Chicagoland's Unique Winter Walk on Saturday

• "Walk a Mile in My Shoes" Raises Funds for Aurora's Wayside Cross Ministries

Aurora, Ill., Feb. 9, 2009 (The Religion Wire™) —

Wayside Cross Ministries(WCM) is planning its third annual winter walk, "**Walk a Mile in My Shoes,**" **Feb. 14,**

2009, to help at-risk youth and the ministry's transitional

living center for homeless women and children. This Valentine's Day walk benefits

Urban Youth Ministry and Lifespring Center of Wayside Cross Ministries.

John Ross, chairperson of the Aurora walk, notes, "I believe **Walk a Mile in My Shoes** is a totally unique community event for the Chicago area. This third annual winter walk shows that caring for people and ministry is a year-round task. In all Chicagoland, I believe that there are only a handful of winter outdoor fund-raisers. With an anticipated 200-300 walkers, this walk shows that the Aurora area individuals have a heart for the hurting no matter the season, the weather, the temperature, or even the economy."

The one-mile winter walk **begins** and **ends** at the **Aurora Community Center**, 501 College Ave. The starting time for **Feb. 14** walk is **8:30 a.m.** A route map and other information about the walk is available at www.walk-a-mile-aurora.org. Individuals and walking groups are encouraged to register at the website. Call (630) 723-3408 or (630) 851-0187(ask for Lynda) for more information.

The walk will also feature an appearance by Kane County Cougar mascot "Ozzie".

The walk's goal is to raise **\$100 per walker** with several hundred walkers.

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