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On the Table: UCP Seguin's 100 Stories of Philanthropy *Redefining Philanthropy with the Chicago Community Trust and MB Financial*

(Cicero, IL) UCP Seguin will soon embark on a new year-long project designed to highlight stories of philanthropy: "**On the Table: UCP Seguin's 100 Stories of Philanthropy**". UCP Seguin is partnering with The Chicago Community Trust, the region's community foundation, helping to commemorate its centennial and celebrate the most philanthropic region in the nation. MB Financial Bank, which recently celebrated its own centennial, has agreed to join the Trust as "co-presenter" for UCP Seguin's efforts. The "On the Table" campaign is designed to convene donors – both financial and in-kind including volunteers – in small groups to share their own compelling stories of giving to a cause. Those featured will be community donors, family members, Board members, staff, program participants, and others – a whole range of "philanthropists" who have given their treasure, talents, and time at various levels, large and small.

The Chicago Community Trust is working with UCP Seguin and other partner nonprofits to conduct the first such region-wide series of "On the Table" events on May 12, 2015. Then for the next year, in coordination with the Trust and MB Financial, UCP Seguin plans to convene monthly such events at locations throughout its footprint of services. As many as 10 to 20 individuals – some to share their stories of giving, others as guests – are expected to participate in each "On the Table" gathering. The events will serve to recognize individuals for their generosity, while providing to the public compelling stories of philanthropy that may stir them to similar action. UCP Seguin will publicize these stories through multiple means, from our website to social media, from press releases to publications and e-blasts.

As spring blooms we look forward to sharing how the "Friends of UCP Seguin" have shown their kindness, and in re-defining philanthropy across the many wonderful ways it can be expressed.

UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit human services agency dedicated to enriching the lives of people with disabilities. Providing programs and services from birth to old age, UCP Seguin helps children and adults with disabilities achieve their potential, advance their independence and act as full members of the community. Its programs include innovative training and education, family support, employment and life-skills training, and residential services.

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