

Press Release

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Oakbrook Terrace Businesses Support Virtual Red Kettle Week

Four Hotels, Ditka's and Starbuck's to Donate Percentage of Sales During Week of December 17-23 to Salvation Army Oakbrook Terrace Corps

Oakbrook Terrace, IL – The <u>City of Oakbrook Terrace</u> and Oakbrook Terrace businesses are once again joining forces with the <u>Salvation Army Oakbrook Terrace Corps</u> this holiday season to support area residents in need. Participating businesses include four hotels, Ditka's and Starbuck's.

"Throughout the year and especially this Christmas season, the Salvation Army Oakbrook Terrace Corps will provide assistance to approximately 500 families and individuals with food, toys and clothing to help them have a Very Merry Christmas," said Major John Pook of the Salvation Army Oakbrook Terrace Corps. "We as an Army cannot do this on our own and we rely on the support and generosity of local businesses to help us make a difference in the lives of people we serve. We want to invite everyone in DuPage County to join us in the 'Fight for Good' and help us make a difference in the lives of families this Christmas Season by donating to our online Red Kettle."

On select days and times during <u>Virtual Red Kettle Week</u> (December 17-23) the following businesses will donate a percentage of sales to the Salvation Army Oakbrook Terrace Corps: Comfort Suites Oakbrook Terrace, Courtyard by Marriott Oakbrook Terrace, Ditka's, Hilton Chicago/Oak Brook Suites, Hilton Garden Inn Chicago/Oak Brook, and Starbuck's located on the 1st floor of Oakbrook Terrace Tower. Mayor Tony Ragucci has committed to match the funds raised, up to \$5,000.

Residents and visitors are encouraged to support Virtual Red Kettle Week by booking an overnight stay/event at participating hotels, warming up with a festive holiday beverage at Starbuck's, and enjoying lunch at Ditka's.

Staff members from Hilton Chicago/Oak Brook Suites kicked off the six-week bell-ringing event at Labriola Bakery and Café at 3021 Butterfield Road on Friday, November 17, followed by Holiday Inn on Friday, November 24 and Staybridge Suites Chicago/Oakbrook Terrace on Friday, December 1. There is still an opportunity to donate to the famous Red Kettles. Staff from the following hotels will be at Labriola Bakery and Café every Friday in December from 11:00am – 2:00pm:

December 8 – Hilton Garden Inn Chicago/Oak Brook December 15 – Courtyard by Marriott Oakbrook Terrace December 22 – Comfort Suites Oakbrook Terrace

For more information about the program, visit <u>http://www.discoverdupage.com/Oakbrook-Terrace-Hotels</u>

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