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RE: SUPPORT DAY FOR FAMILIES IN TRANSITION

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Families trying to keep their lives together after facing housing challenges and economic hardship can find help at Families in Transition Day sponsored by the Will County Regional Office of Education, Valley View School District, and Du Page Township on Saturday, November 5 at Bolingbrook High School Cafeteria 365 Raider Way Bolingbrook, IL.

School staffers and service workers from community organizations will be on hand to inform and help families gain an understanding of their children's educational rights and provide information about health insurance and medical care.

Information about nutrition, credit counseling and credit rebuilding, housing, counseling and eligibility for rental assistance or affordable housing is also available, along with a story time for children, haircuts and free books to take home. A light breakfast will be provided.

Bringing documents, such as identification cards, social security cards, medical cards and income information, may help families apply for services from participating community organizations.

Community service agencies participating in the event include: First Midwest Bank, Chestnut Credit Counseling, West Suburban Bank, Veterans Assistance Commission of Will, and Mobile Health Team from Aunt Martha's Youth Center, Orland Park Dental Services, and Will County Center for Community Concerns, Community Service Council of Northern Will County, Catholic Charities Daybreak Center, JJC Workforce Development and Bolingbrook Power Connection.

For Information about Families in Transition Support Day, contact Ron O'Connor, McKinney-Vento Liaison for Will County, at 815-740-4787 or email roconnor@willcountyillinois.com, or Kathy Batistich, Community Outreach for Valley View District at 815-886-2700 or email batistichkm@vvsd.org.