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## **100+ BOX DWELLERS SLEEPING OUTSIDE FOR A CAUSE**

We have simply been blown away by the response this year as we prepare for C-U at Home One Winter Night. **More than 100 people** have signed up to sleep outside in downtown Champaign in a cardboard refrigerator box! Each of these box dwellers is also striving to raise at least \$1,000 to help our friends without an address.

We invite you to be a part of One Winter Night, a HUGE community public awareness event to help the homeless. This is an event for the whole family. Box dwellers will brave the cold for 12 hours, from 6pm-6am on Friday, February 5 – Saturday February 6, 2015. Join our mayor and police chief, city and county leaders, pastors, professionals, students and others, as they spend the night outside in a cardboard box, in support of the most vulnerable homeless. In order to keep helping people with our Drop-In Center, Recovery House, Family House, Women's House, Street Outreach and Transportation Ministry, we have set the fundraising **goal for One Winter Night at \$150,000.**

You can find out more about all things One Winter Night at:  
**[www.cuathome.us/one-winter-night-2016](http://www.cuathome.us/one-winter-night-2016)**.



Come join in the WORLD PREMIERE of our new documentary, **The Phoenix: Hope Is Rising**. It chronicles the birth and growth story of C-U at Home over the last 5 years. This full length film will be shown every two hours throughout **One Winter Night on Friday, February 5, at Christ Community Church, 114 S. Neil Street** in downtown

Champaign. Show times are **6pm, 8pm, 10pm, 12am, 2am and 4am**. Admission is free, with donations accepted. It's a great opportunity to bring your family and learn more about helping our friends without an address. See the trailer and find out more at:  
**[www.thephoenixhopeisrising.com](http://www.thephoenixhopeisrising.com)**.

Another exciting educational aspect of One Winter night is our slate of **speaker presentations** in the **City Council Chambers from 6:00pm-10:00pm**. Come hear experts share about many aspects of homelessness, including 2 formerly homeless residents who are now finding success in life.

Last, but not least, we are very excited about our new location at **34 E. Green**. This is the new location for both our **Phoenix Daytime Drop-In Center** and the new C-U at Home office. We invite friends from the community to come and spend time with us here. The Phoenix Drop-In hours are Tuesday-Friday, from noon-5pm.