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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Household Chemicals have a new drop-off location!**

The Naperville Household Hazardous Waste facility has a new home as of this weekend. Opening on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, the new facility is located at 156 Fort Hill Drive, Naperville, IL 60540, just north of the Department of Public Works building at Fort Hill Drive and Jefferson Avenue. It will operate during the same hours as usual: Saturdays and Sundays, from 9:00am to 2:00pm, excluding holidays. The previous facility behind Fire Station No. 4 on the city's north side is now closed and will no longer be accepting material.

Since the program began, over 33,000 Kane County residents have visited the facility, taking in their household cleaners, chemicals, fertilizers, pesticides, auto-fluids, oil-based paints, pharmaceuticals, and other hazardous materials. In 2014 the facility served 2,226 Kane County residents, who delivered nearly 80,000 pounds of hazardous waste for proper disposal and recycling in that year. Numbers of visitors have grown consistently over the years since it opened in 1992, stressing the capacity of the small facility and causing extended wait times for residents.

In order to improve services and reduce wait time, the \$1,185,000 facility (\$900,000 of which was funded by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity) will feature a covered drop-off area, improved sorting and storage areas, and increased health and safety measures. Wait times are expected to be greatly reduced. This facility is one of just four facilities in Illinois.

A ribbon cutting ceremony celebrating the opening of the new regional Household Hazardous Waste Facility is scheduled for 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20. The celebration will include a walk-through of the new facility. The public and media are welcome to attend.

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