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## Restoration Urban Ministries is celebrating 18 years of serving our community with a family fun day in Hessel Park on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> 2:00-6:00 PM.

**Champaign, IL, June 25, 2011:** Celebrating 18 years of service to our community, Restoration Urban Ministries will be hosting a FREE family fun day in the park on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Executive Director, Ervin Williams says, "I have seen record demands for the Food Pantry and Transitional Housing Programs offered through Restoration Urban Ministries these past 12 months. It is a time of incredible need." Rather than focus on the stretched budgets and constant need for services, Williams stated "we want to invite the community to celebrate all that has been accomplished these past 18 years. Families have been restored. Food has been put on tables. God is doing great things in Champaign-Urbana, and we are thrilled to be one of his instruments."

## Activities will include:

2:00-6:00	Inflatables, dunk tank and other games
	FREE hot dogs, chips and drinks
3:00-3:30	Local Christian artists performing on stage
3:45	Senator Shane Cultra speaking
4:15-6:00	Local Christian artists performing

## **Restoration Urban Ministries**

Restoration Urban Ministries is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing comprehensive services to individuals and families in an effort to help the most needy and desperate in our community restore their lives. The Restoration Food Pantry, open four days per week served 7,402 families with over 220,000 pounds of food in 2010. The Transitional Housing Program housed an average of 102 adults and children per month during the same period. For information on programs or operating hours, please contact the office at 217/355-2662.