

The crane is setting the steel frame today (October 20<sup>th</sup>) as I write!! Yes the Spruce Center is well on its way. The weather has been perfect and the volunteer crews have showed up right on schedule. After two weeks of excavating, the foundation and retaining walls were poured. By Thanksgiving the building should be totally closed in, insulated, and the floor poured.

With all that work done, the only major bill paid so far is the structural steel thanks to the generosity of so many contractors! Many new friends have caught the vision of what God is doing in these precious young lives. Local Amish crews will set all the steel in the next four weeks, saving over \$30,000. Two trucks brought the steel in from Indiana at no charge. Local dump trucks are hauling the stone at no charge. The list goes on and on. Their generosity is overwhelming and humbling.

The goal for completion is February 15<sup>th</sup>. That is if the remaining \$62,500 is given. Thank you once again for caring about “reaching urban youth...year round.”

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