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**Sunbeam Family Services and Catholic Charities OKC  
Host Christmas in July Donation Drive for A Very Giving Christmas**

**OKLAHOMA CITY** – Sunbeam Family Services and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City are partnering to bring A Very Giving Christmas, a Christmas store, for local families in need, December 13-16, 2017.

Sunbeam Family Services and Catholic Charities will host a Christmas in July donation drive **July 10-14**. Drop off locations will be at Sunbeam, 1100 NW 14<sup>th</sup> Street, and Catholic Charities, 1232 N. Classen Boulevard, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. They are seeking new baby and toddler toys and bikes. A complete list can be viewed at [www.AVeryGivingChristmas.org](http://www.AVeryGivingChristmas.org).

“It may be scorching outside, but we’re already excited about the thought of Christmas and being able to provide gifts to some of the most vulnerable families in our community during A Very Giving Christmas in December,” said Erin Engelke, Sunbeam’s Chief External Relations Officer. “This program is truly one of a kind and we hope to begin stocking the shelves early with donations so we can serve the most families possible this year.”

The store, St. Nick’s Shoppe, will be located at Catholic Charities, 1232 N. Classen, Oklahoma City. Individuals selected through Sunbeam and Catholic Charities will have the opportunity to shop for new items for their families at no cost.

Volunteer opportunities for individuals, families and groups are also available and will include decorating St. Nick’s Shoppe, greeting families, helping families select their gifts, stocking the shelves, or wrapping gifts. Visit [www.AVeryGivingChristmas.org](http://www.AVeryGivingChristmas.org) to sign up to volunteer, or call 405.609.1755.

About Sunbeam Family Services

Founded in 1907, Sunbeam Family Services is one of Oklahoma’s longest serving nonprofits, providing people of all ages with help, hope and the opportunity to succeed through early childhood, foster care, counseling, and senior services. To learn more, visit [www.sunbeamfamilyservices.org](http://www.sunbeamfamilyservices.org) or follow them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

About Catholic Charities

Founded in 1912, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City serves all regardless of race, religion or national origin through its mission is to provide help and hope in the Catholic tradition of service. Headquartered in Oklahoma City, with regional service locations in Ardmore, Clinton, Enid, Guymon and Lawton and women’s homeless programs in Norman and Midwest City, Catholic Charities serves more than 13,500 Oklahomans annually through more than 15 social service programs. To learn more about Catholic Charities, visit [www.catholiccharitiesok.org](http://www.catholiccharitiesok.org).