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**Sunbeam Family Services and Catholic Charities OKC
Help Bring Christmas to OKC Families**

OKLAHOMA CITY – Sunbeam Family Services and Catholic Charities Oklahoma City are partnering to bring A Very Giving Christmas, a Christmas store, for local families in need, December 14-18, 2016.

The store, St. Nick's Shoppe, will be located at Sunbeam Family Services, 1100 NW 14th, Oklahoma City. Individuals selected through Sunbeam and Catholic Charities will have the opportunity to shop for new items for their families at no cost. Donors and volunteers will create a warm shopping experience and extend the season's joy and excitement to 600 families, families who otherwise would not be able buy presents for their children.

"Collaboration and cooperation among nonprofits is the key to having maximum effective impact and that's what we have achieved through our partnership with Catholic Charities and A Very Giving Christmas," said Jim Priest CEO of Sunbeam Family Services. "We receive lots of positive affirmation about the partnership from our terrific volunteers and donors and we receive lots of positive gratitude from the families we serve. We are proud to be able to serve the community through this partnership."

Patrick J. Raglow, Catholic Charities Executive Director said, "Our partnership with Sunbeam Family Services reflects the partnership we foster among our donors, volunteers and clients. A Very Giving Christmas is about relationship and participating fully in the spirit of the season. Working with Sunbeam Family Services expands the impact and reach of this program across the board. It's a great partnership for a great cause."

The community can help stock the store by making a donation or by purchasing new gift items for children of all ages and their parents and delivering them unwrapped and with tags attached to Sunbeam Family Services, December 4-6. Visit the wish list at www.AVeryGivingChristmas.org or call 405.609.8994. Additional drop off locations will also be available in Leadership Square and Valliance Bank Dec.8-9 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Visit AveryGivingChristmas.org to see a full list of drop off locations.

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 or wrapping gifts. Visit 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 help, hope and the opportunity to succeed to people of all ages and all stages of life in central Oklahoma through early childhood, counseling, foster care and senior services. To learn more, visit 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.

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