

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Clarity Child Guidance Center looking for churches, businesses to host a Giving Tree for children getting inpatient treatment

Public can also donate using Amazon

<u>Clarity Child Guidance Center</u> is the only nonprofit mental health treatment center on South Texas for kids ages 3 to 17 and their families, to manage conditions ranging from ADHD and anxiety to suicidal ideation, bipolar disorder and/or schizophrenia. Clarity CGC serves all children in need of care, regardless of their family's ability to pay.

Clarity CGC is looking for organizations, businesses and churches to host a Giving Tree during November and December, to gather presents (toys, clothing and more) for the children getting inpatient treatment at Clarity's hospital—65% of whom are below the federal poverty line.

Guidelines:

- Deadline to sign up for a Giving Tree is approximately November 10.
- Clarity CGC will deliver an 11" artificial tree with ornaments itemizing needed gifts in early November, and a large box for presents (or church can provide own tree and Clarity will provide ornaments).
- Tree sponsor can then share the ornaments with its community and collect <u>unwrapped</u> gifts in provided donation box.
- Clarity staff will pick up UNWRAPPED presents from Dec 6-8 approximately.
- To sign up or ask questions, contact Clarity at outreach@claritycgc.org or 210-582-6442.

The public is also invited to visit CCGC's Amazon <u>Holiday Wish List</u> at <u>https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/3274VX87M758E</u>, to make sure no child goes without a gift.

The public can also donate funds at claritycgc.org/give-now.

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ABOUT CLARITY CHILD GUIDANCE CENTER: Founded in 1886, <u>Clarity Child Guidance Center</u> is the only nonprofit in South Texas providing a continuum of mental health services for children ages 3-17 and their families to manage mental health conditions ranging from depression and anxiety to suicidal ideation, bipolar disorder and/or schizophrenia. In keeping with its vision to ensure that every child and family that needs its services receives its services, Clarity maintains a stand-alone mental health hospital on an eight-acre kid-friendly, open campus, with 66-bed, four-unit inpatient hospital with a six-bed Crisis Services unit offering specialized treatment for children. It serves more than 8,000 children annually in need of care, regardless of their family's ability to pay; the majority of patients are disproportionately low-income. It offers the region's largest concentration of child and adolescent psychiatrists through onsite affiliations with Southwest Psychiatric Physicians and UT Health San Antonio; it is also a teaching hospital for the esteemed nursing schools of UT Health San Antonio and University of Incarnate Word.