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Foundation for Tulsa Schools and Tulsa Public Schools Gift *Celebrate Tulsa!* Books to Saint Francis Children's Hospital

Tulsa, Okla. (December 17, 2021) - The Foundation for Tulsa Schools and Tulsa Public Schools donated 120 copies of *Celebrate Tulsa!*, a book written and illustrated by Tulsa Public Schools teachers, staff and students, to the Children's Hospital at Saint Francis.

In the first in-person event hosted at the Children's Hospital at Saint Francis since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, representatives from Saint Francis Health System, including CEO Dr. Cliff Robertson and executive director of Women's and Children's Services Kristi Baker, representatives from the Foundation for Tulsa Schools, including president and CEO Anhna Vuong and board chair Sarah Gould, and Tulsa Public Schools superintendent Dr. Deborah Gist gathered to present the books to children and their families at the hospital.

"Unfortunately, we do have kids here over the holiday season, but this book will offer a bit of respite and be a source of levity for the children," said Baker. "We are so excited about this partnership with the Foundation for Tulsa Schools and Tulsa Public Schools, and we're very grateful for this gift."

Each child staying at the Children's Hospital at Saint Francis during the holidays will receive a copy.

"We are thrilled to share *Celebrate Tulsa!* with the kids staying at the Children's Hospital this holiday season," said Vuong. "We hope the vibrant storytelling can bring a smile to many young faces during a difficult time."

Celebrate Tulsa! honors the diversity of cultures, races, religions, languages, foods, traditions, music and art in our city and serves as a reminder that even though we may not share the same beliefs or backgrounds, what we share in common is greater than what makes us different. The book is available for purchase at www.foundationfortulsaschools.org and select local bookstores.

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About The Foundation for Tulsa Schools

Founded in 2001, the Foundation for Tulsa Schools was established to build a better community through the support of Tulsa Public Schools. The Foundation believes that every child should have access to a quality education, the resources they need to learn, and a supportive environment in which to learn.

The Foundation for Tulsa Schools is honored to be a champion for TPS students, teachers, and staff. We serve as a bridge between those who are passionate about public education and those who learn in, teach at, and support our schools.

For more information on how you can support Tulsa Public Schools visit: www.foundationfortulsaschools.org

About The Children's Hospital at Saint Francis

The Children's Hospital at Saint Francis is a 162-bed facility that is dedicated to serving the healthcare needs of children in eastern Oklahoma and surrounding states. They provide advanced children's services and employ physicians and staff specially trained to treat kids.