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Daughters of Charity Services of San Antonio WILL PROVIDE FREE SHOES TO CHILDREN IN NEED THROUGH *PAYLESS GIVES*TM *SHOES 4 KIDS* HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM.

San Antonio, Texas, December 4, 2014 — Daughters of Charity Services is pleased to announce that we have been selected as an official partner of *Payless GivesTM Shoes 4 Kids*, an annual giving program from Payless ShoeSource. We are among 1,000 charitable agencies representing all 50 states in the United States. Daughters of Charity Services will be distributing merchandise certificates for children's shoes to the families on our client list.

Daughters of Charity Services offers care to a low-income population including primary medical care, dental care, wellness, health education, early childhood education, and social services to approximately 12,000 low-income families each year.

The mission of the organization states: faithful to the Vincentian tradition, Daughters of Charity Services of San Antonio will establish and maintain neighborhood-based programs to increase accessibility to primary health care and human services on the part of the poor. These programs will have a strong holistic orientation and consider participation and empowerment as an integral dimension of the delivery service. While services will be rendered with preferential option for the poor, it is not to the exclusion of others.

A United Way agency, Daughters of Charity Services provides health and social services on an ability-to-pay basis for low-income families.

This is the seventh year of the *Payless Gives™ Shoes 4 Kids* program. Although studies show that properly fitting shoes are important for children's health and development, a striking number of children don't own a pair of shoes that fit. We are working to remedy that here in San Antonio.

By helping families who struggle to provide their children with basic essentials on a daily basis, Daughters of Charity Services, in partnering with the Payless GivesTM Shoes 4 Kids program, hopes to relieve some of the stress parents feel during the holidays and bring joy to as many children as possible.

For more information about the ways in which Daughters of Charity Services is helping our community this holiday season, please visit our website at www.dcssa.org or call 210-334-2300.

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