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**The Kids-N-Hope Foundation Donates \$372,500 to Children’s Health and Life Service
Organizations and Local Area Hospitals**

\$300,000 Contribution to Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia’s Music Therapy Program

PHILADELPHIA – December 28, 2021 – The Kids-N-Hope Foundation (“The Foundation”) has donated over \$372,500 throughout the past year to support their mission in funding music therapy and child life services through organizations and local area hospitals, including Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia’s (“CHOP”) Music Therapy Program. Since its inception 25 years ago, The Foundation has raised over \$2.6 million for pediatric therapy programs.

The Kids-N-Hope Foundation distributes thousands of dollars to local at the end of each year to continue supporting its mission. This year, the following organizations received donations from The Foundation:

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| Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia- \$300,000 | Christ’s Home- \$5,000 |
| Doylestown Hospital- \$7,500 | CORA Services- \$5,000 |
| Grand View Health- \$7,500 | KenCrest- \$5,000 |
| Jefferson Health Foundation- \$7,500 | Laurel House- \$5,000 |
| Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House- \$7,500 | Providence Center- \$5,000 |
| St. Mary Medical Center- \$7,500 | Special People in the Northeast (SPIN)- \$5,000 |
| Catholic Community Services- \$5,000 | |

At CHOP, the Kids-N-Hope Foundation provides financial support for the Music Therapy Program, which is designed to effect positive change in the psychological, physical, cognitive, and social functioning of individuals with health or educational problems.

“American Heritage and The Foundation pledged to make a difference in the lives of children 25 years ago,” stated Bruce K. Foulke, Founder and Chairman of the Kids-N-Hope Foundation, and President & CEO of American Heritage Credit Union. “I am so proud of the work our volunteers and Board of Directors have done this past year to celebrate this milestone anniversary, and I am beyond grateful for the support and contributions made by our Foundation supporters and donors who allow us to carry out our mission each year.”

In 1996, American Heritage Credit Union became the first credit union in the country to form its own charitable organization. After American Heritage’s President & CEO Bruce Foulke visited the Seashore House at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, he and the American Heritage Board of Directors determined that the Credit Union would pledge to become a permanent benefactor of local pediatric causes, and thus the Kids-N-Hope Foundation was created to support CHOP’s needs, starting with the Music Therapy Program.

“The support from The Kids-N-Hope Foundation helps our Child Life team provide the best care possible to meet the unique needs of our patients as they cope with illness, treatment and the overall healthcare experience,” stated Bridget Welz, Assistant Direct, Corporate Annual Giving at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. “Our Music Therapy Program would not exist without partners like American Heritage Credit Union and the Kids-N-Hope Foundation. The CHOP community is very grateful and thankful for our 25-year partnership!”

About American Heritage Credit Union

American Heritage Credit Union is a \$3.8 billion, member-owned financial cooperative serving more than 800 Workplace Partners and more than 240,000 members, with more than 35 locations across Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware and Camden Counties. Founded in 1948, American Heritage Credit Union is now one of the top 100 largest credit unions in the United

States and has been named by Forbes as a Best-in-State Credit Union. For more information about American Heritage Credit Union please visit at www.americanheritagecu.org.

About the Kids-N-Hope Foundation

The Kids-N-Hope Foundation (“The Foundation”) was organized by American Heritage Credit Union in 1996, and provides support for Child Life Services, specially, Music Therapy at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia (“CHOP”) and other local hospitals within American Heritage’s Workplace Partner Program. To date, the Foundation has distributed more than \$2.6 million dollars since inception through its fundraising efforts.

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The Kids-N-Hope Foundation present Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia with a check for \$300,000 for the year of 2021 to continue supporting the hospital’s Music Therapy Program.

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