



## **Boys Town Kicks off Centennial Celebration**

BOYS TOWN, Neb. – Today Boys Town kicks off a year of celebration. In 2017 the organization will celebrate 100 years of service to children and families. Founded by Father Flanagan as an orphanage, Boys Town has changed over the years into one of the largest non-profit child care and healthcare organizations in the country.

Employees will help celebrate the milestone in Omaha and at affiliate sites around the country. A new logo and a trailer to a documentary will be unveiled.

"This is such an exciting time," said Father Steven Boes, Boys Town National Executive Director. "This is a great opportunity to celebrate the outstanding work that has been done by our organization over the last 100 years."

Boys Town's success comes from the implementation of an Integrated Continuum of Care which provides children with services based on their needs. As their behavior and situation improves they are able to step down to less restrictive levels of care. These unique services ensure that children and families are receiving the right care at the right time.

Boys Town also has a National Research Hospital, the Boys Town National Research Institute and the Boys Town National Hotline.

### **Centennial Celebration Events.**

- Christmas Family Festival - December 10, Boys Town campus
- Boys Town Book – December 2016
- Boys Town Hall of History redesign unveiling – February 2017
- Boys Town Commemorative Coin Available – Spring 2017
- Boys Town Documentary Release – December 2016
- Boys Town "He's Not Heavy": statue will be installed – Spring 2017
- Alumni Celebration and Convention – Summer 2017
- Boys Town 100<sup>th</sup> – December 2017



## **About Boys Town**

For 100 years, Boys Town has been a beacon of hope for America’s children and families through its life-changing youth care and health care programs. In 2015, almost 500,000 children and families across the United States were impacted by Boys Town programs. This includes those who received services from Boys Town’s residential programs as well as those served by the many varied programs that comprise the Boys Town Integrated Continuum of Child and Family Services, including In-Home Family Services, health care services provided by Boys Town National Research Hospital and the Boys Town National Hotline. You can find more information about Boys Town online at [www.Boystown.org](http://www.Boystown.org).

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