



Boys Town Centennial Commemorative Coins Now Available for Purchase through the US Mint

Washington D.C. – Today, the United States Mint released three commemorative coins that are now available for purchase to celebrate Boys Town’s [100 years](#) of service to children and families.

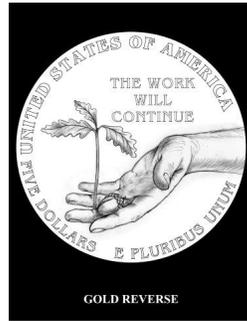
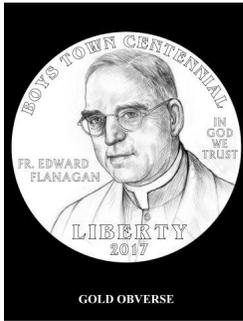
“This is such an exciting time at Boys Town as we release the designs of these symbolic coins,” said Father Steven Boes, Boys Town National Executive Director. “These coins will help us commemorate and celebrate the outstanding work that has been done by our organization over the last 100 years.”

The United States Mint will issue 50,000 \$5 gold, 350,000 \$1 silver and 300,000 half dollar clad coins with designs that represent Boys Town and its rich history. Founded in 1917, Boys Town is one of the largest non-profit childcare organizations in the country and serves 500,000 thousand children each year.

Pricing for the coins will include surcharges which are authorized to be paid to Boys Town to carry out its cause of caring for and assisting children and families in underserved communities across America.

Senator Deb Fisher, Congressman Jeff Fortenberry, Congressman Adrian Smith, former Congressman Lee Terry, and former Congressman Brad Ashford attended the ceremony in Washington announcing the coin release to the public.

The gold coin features a portrait of Father Edward Flanagan and on the reverse side a young oak tree growing from an acorn, which stands for the potential in each child helped by Boys Town to grow into a productive citizen.



The silver coin depicts a young girl sitting alone and gazing upward into the branches of an oak tree for help. The coins reverse also depicts an oak tree offering shelter and a sense of belonging to the family holding hands below it.



The clad half dollar shows an older brother holding the hand of his younger brother and walking towards Father Flanagan's home in 1917. While the other side of the coin depicts a present-day Boys Town neighborhood of homes where children are educated and nurtured by caring families.





The Boys Town Centennial Commemorative Coin Act (Public Law 114-30) was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the United States to celebrate and honor Father Flanagan’s Boys’ Home’s 100th Anniversary, which will take place on December 12, 2017. The bill was then presented to President Obama and signed into law on July 6, 2015.

You can purchase the Boys Town Centennial Coin at:

catalog.usmint.gov

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6xjHw2FR1dI>

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 2016, 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.

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