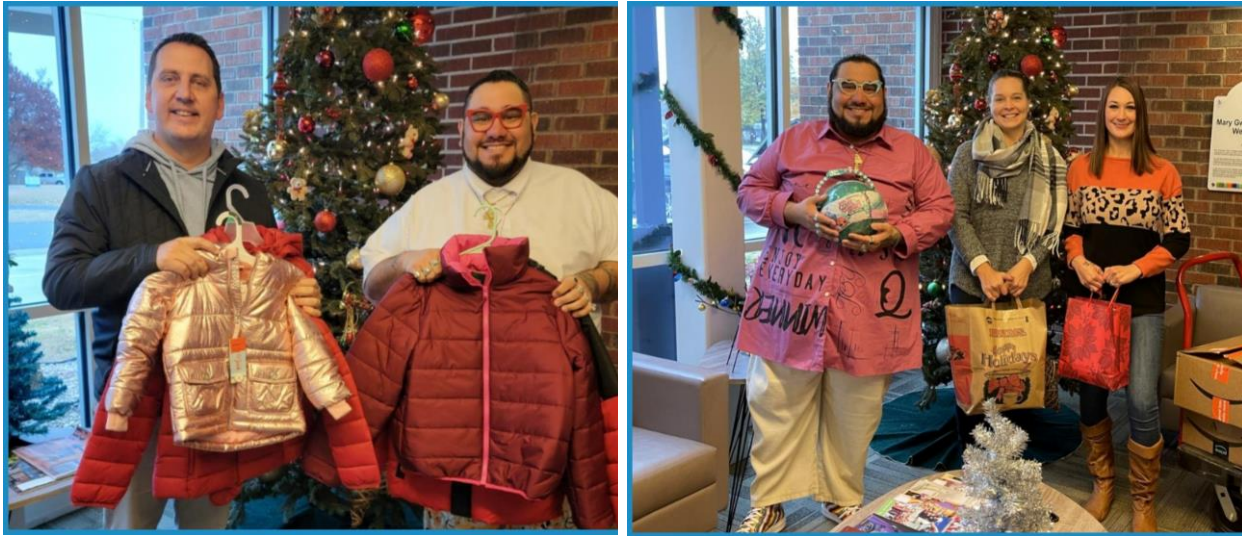




### **Holiday Wishes Serves 286 Local Children**

That's a wrap... on yet another successful Holiday Wishes gift drive! Thanks to YOU and our amazing community, we had the privilege of helping **286 kids** have an extra special holiday season. We would like to give a very special thank you to St. Thomas More University Parish and OU Kappa Kappa Gamma for hosting coat drives, the Norman Police Department for Filling the Cruiser to collect more than 3,000 diapers and baby wipes, All Saints Catholic Schools for hosting a book drive, and Landers Auto for collecting supplemental toys. We are also thankful for our steadfast group of volunteers from OU who help process and pack Holiday Wishes bags year after year.

*Thank you all for making this season one to remember!*



**Attention Donors:** Do you have feedback about this year's gifting program? We'd love to hear from you! Please take the brief survey linked below to share your thoughts.

## TAKE DONOR SURVEY

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### New Staff Join the CCFI Family

**Carla Gonzales** is serving as our agency's first Family Navigator. Carla, who has a bachelor's degree in Human Development & Family Studies, has extensive experience helping children and families overcome barriers. She believes in CCFI's mission and is excited to be a part of fulfilling it each and every day.

**Alberto "Beto" Rivas** joined the CCFI leadership team in late November and is serving as Development Director. Alberto, an ubiquitous presence within Oklahoma, has been involved in local and statewide efforts for more than 15 years. Alberto is described as possessing an infectious perspective of purpose, one that embraces the idea that equity, equality, diversity, and mental health acceptance are all attainable through people coming together with one common goal, a quality of life for all. For his efforts and contributions to a varied list of non-profits and organizations in the state, whether as a board member, public speaker, consultant or volunteer, he has been recognized with numerous accolades from local officials, professional groups, and media outlets, most recently receiving the Governor's Art Award for Leadership and Volunteerism.

*We are so happy to have both Carla and Alberto on our team!*



## Make an End of Year Contribution Today

Your support is urgently needed to **heal children** from complex trauma, **empower youth** by creating a safe space after school and **strengthen families** with parent education and support services.

Generous supporters like YOU have changed everything for hundreds of families in our community. Your support over the past year has made it possible for our agency to:

- Provide 135 children and caregivers with over 2,300 therapeutic sessions to heal the effects of complex trauma
- Empower 123 youth at the Boys & Girls Club of Norman
- Serve 416 parents by providing access to parent education and resources to ensure healthy families and safe homes
- Distribute over 57,000 diapers, along with baby wipes and other essential items, preventing child abuse and neglect

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## Baby Pantry Kicks Off Double Bundle December

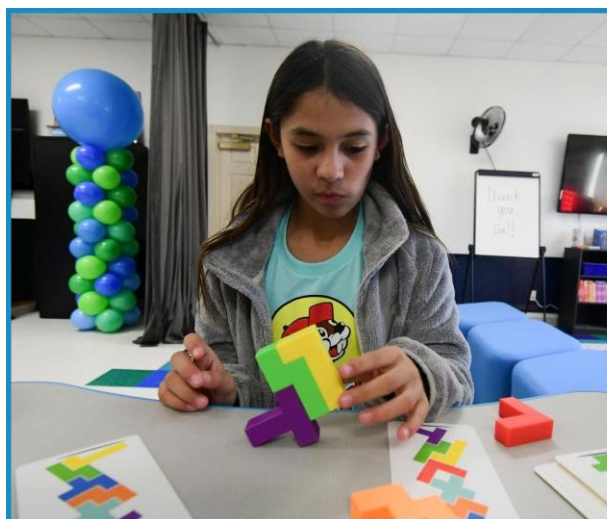
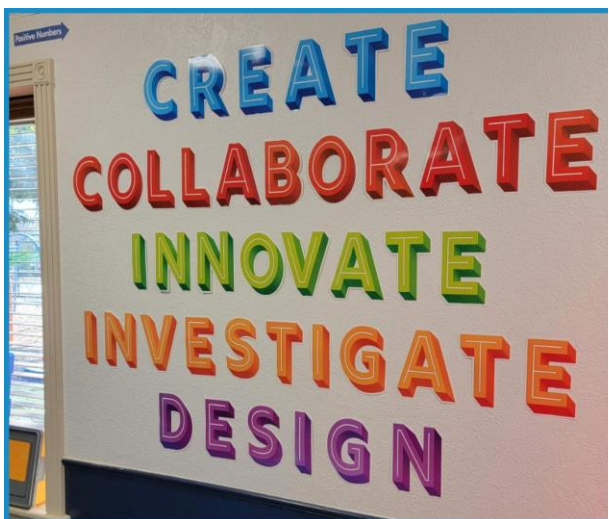
It's officially the season... for double diaper bundles! We know the holiday season can bring added financial stress to families, especially for those with little ones. To help ease this burden, we will be offering DOUBLE diaper bundles in the month of December to all Baby Pantry guests! The CCFI Baby Pantry is open weekdays from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and no appointment is needed. Simply stop by and collect the size(s) you need. Happy Holidays!

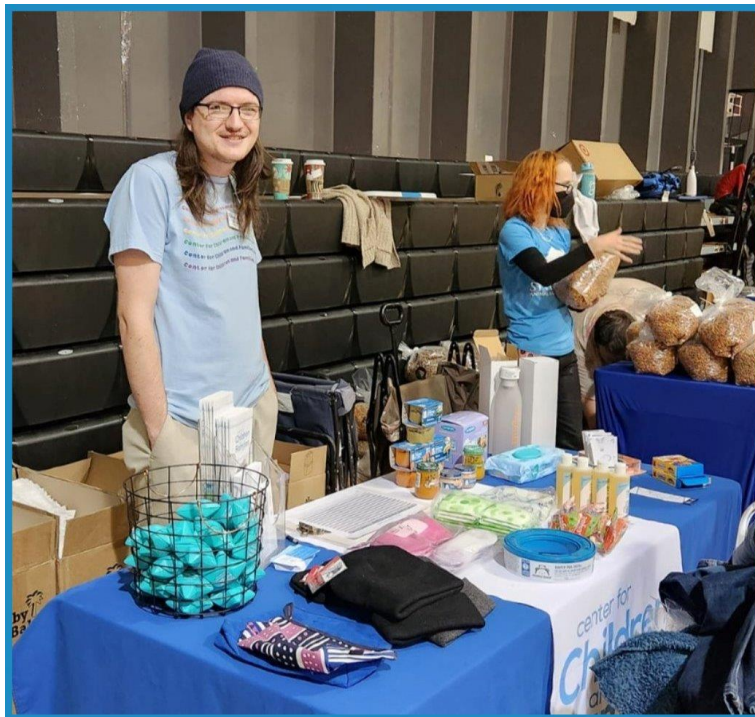


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## Boys & Girls Club of Norman Awarded Innovation Lab by Cox

This fall, we surprised members of Boys & Girls Club of Norman with a new STEM space, thanks to our friends from Cox Communications! This \$20,000 grant has allowed our Club to provide members with access to new technology and innovative STEM programming. Our newly remodeled innovation lab is full of the latest STEM toys, modular furniture, inspirational quotes and so much more.





### **CCFI Provides Free Resources at Community Mutual Aid Fair**

Our team joined several other local organizations at the Fall Mutual Aid Fair held at Irving Middle School Recreation Center. During this event, families were able to pick up free groceries, clothing, receive haircuts and much more! We were happy to join in to supply diapers, baby wipes and other essentials from the CCFI Baby Pantry. We are looking

forward to serving the community in this capacity at more local events!

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## CCFI Launches Capital Campaign to Support Expansion Efforts

Earlier this year, we shared the exciting news about our agency's expansion efforts. To help accommodate our growing needs, we are launching the Uplifting Families capital campaign. This project will help advance our mission by providing:

- Additional room for service expansion
- Private office space to conduct individual therapy, case management and other direct services
- Opportunities for new partnerships and programs with other nonprofits and community groups
- The ability to host in-house parenting classes (currently hosted offsite)

### *How Can You Help?*

To help make this expansion project a reality, consider making a one-time gift or signing up for monthly giving. Naming opportunities are available for gifts **starting at \$2,500**. To learn more about this project, please contact Melissa Klink at 405-364-1420 or [mklink@ccfinorman.org](mailto:mklink@ccfinorman.org).

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## Upcoming BabyMobile Schedule

The Infant Crisis Services BabyMobile will be hosting drive through events at CCFI (10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) to bring FREE essential baby items to the Norman community. Upcoming dates for the remainder of the year include:

- Monday, December 19th
- Monday, January 30, 2023





*Remember, no appointment is needed and services are offered while supplies last.* To learn more about the BabyMobile guidelines and resources, please [CLICK HERE](#).

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