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NEVHC KICKS OFF TWO-WEEK TOY GIVEAWAY FOR PEDIATRIC PATIENTS

San Fernando, CA – The toys have been collected and sorted. The lists with the children’s names are ready. The chilled juice boxes and snacks are prepped. And, most importantly, Santa Claus is ready to give out toys to 1,000 young patients at Northeast Valley Health Corporation (NEVHC).

The two-week toy giveaway at seven of NEVHC’s health centers will begin Tuesday, Dec. 6, at San Fernando Health Center and end on Friday, Dec. 16, at Canoga Park Health Center. At each health center from 3-5 p.m. on the assigned day, Santa will personally hand the children toys that are age appropriate and take photos with them.

NEVHC has been collecting and distributing new toys to its pediatric patients for 20 years. The Toy Drive & Santa Visits Program ensures that our newborn to 10-year-old patients will receive toys during the holiday season despite their families’ financial circumstances.

“It is so wonderful to see the excitement and joy in the children’s faces when they see Santa and he hands them their gifts,” said NEVHC CEO Kim Wyard. “For many of our patients, these toys

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will be the only gifts they receive this holiday season. We are truly thankful to everyone who has donated to the Toy Drive.”

The toys, each worth a minimum \$10, will be distributed at all NEVHC health centers that offer pediatric services. They are Canoga Park, Pacoima, Santa Clarita, San Fernando, Sun Valley and Valencia health centers, and Van Nuys Pediatric Health & WIC Center.

This worthy cause is only possible with the generous support of cash and toy donations from corporations, elected officials, local businesses, community partners and NEVHC employees. This year, the program had an unprecedented number of donors. More than 50 groups have made contributions to ensure that there are enough toys for the children at each health center.

Our generous supporters include Aerotek, Anthem Blue Cross, Canoga Park Neighborhood Council, Care 1st Health Plan, Church of Hope, City of San Fernando, Entertainment Earth, Health Net, Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital, ITV Entertainment, Liberty Dental, Pacific Federal, Reseda Neighborhood Council, San Fernando Police Department, Santa Clarita Valley Chamber of Commerce, Valley Presbyterian Hospital, Van Nuys Neighborhood Council and Warner Bros. Consumer Products.

The following is the schedule for the Toy Drive & Santa Visits at each health center:

Tuesday, Dec. 6 - San Fernando Health Center, 1600 San Fernando Road
Thursday, Dec. 8 - Sun Valley Health Center, 7223 N. Fair Avenue
Friday, Dec. 9 - Santa Clarita Health Center, 18533 Soledad Canyon Road
Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Van Nuys Pediatric Health & WIC Center, 7138 Van Nuys Blvd.
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Valencia Health Center, 23763 Valencia Blvd.
Thursday, Dec. 15 - Pacoima Health Center, 12756 Van Nuys Blvd.
Friday, Dec. 16 - Canoga Park Health Center, 7107 Remmet Ave.

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