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**Phoenix Suns Charities Dedicates Starlight Fun Center™ to
Phoenix Children's Hospital**

This Fun Center will bring joy and laughter to the hospital's littlest patients

What: Phoenix Suns Charities and Starlight Children's Foundation will place a Fun Center™, featuring a Nintendo Wii™, DVD player and a Sharp AQUOS™ LCD TV, that pediatric patients can use anywhere in the hospital to enjoy and pass the time while waiting for treatments and procedures at Phoenix Children's Hospital.

Where: Meet/greet in the main lobby (new wing) – ceremony held in the playroom on the 8th floor

1919 E. Thomas Road, Phoenix, AZ 85016

(Parking in the "new" garage off of Thomas Rd, West of the 51 freeway. Turn South on Children's Way.)

When: **Tuesday, January 24, 2012 from 3:00p.m. to 3:30p.m.**

Photo and interview opps include: hospital staff, sponsors and ribbon-cutting!

Background: The ease with which Fun Centers roll right up to the side of young patients' beds or anywhere in a hospital setting makes them perfect for hospitalized children in numerous situations: anticipating surgery, during long outpatient clinic treatments, waiting in the emergency room or fighting loneliness after visiting hours have ended. Fun Centers uniquely counter the isolation and fear often experienced by sick children. The Fun Center is a welcome guest, when other visitors aren't around!



About Phoenix Suns Charities: Phoenix Suns Charities utilize the unique resources of the Suns organization to raise funds to benefit non-profit organizations that assist the needs of children and families. With more than \$1.36 million in grants to 178 different charitable organizations throughout Arizona, Phoenix Suns Charities marks a milestone of over \$11.6 million in donations since its 1988 inception. The announcement marks the most successful season in Phoenix Suns Charities 22-year history of funding community projects for children and families.



About Starlight: Starlight Children's Foundation™ was founded in 1983 to help seriously ill children and their families cope with their pain, fear and isolation through entertainment, education and family activities. Each year, Starlight Children's Foundation Arizona touched the lives of more than 74,000 children and their families statewide.

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