

## **Sunrise Children's Services Acquires Children and Families Program In Danville and Henderson Kentucky**

**Louisville, Kentucky (November 1, 2007)** – The Boards of Directors of Sunrise Children's Services and Christian Care Communities have signed a final agreement for Sunrise to purchase Christian Care's Children and Families Program, based in Danville and Henderson, Kentucky, effective November 1, 2007.

The purchase includes 25 acres of property, furniture, supplies and buildings on the historic Woodlawn campus located on Perryville Road in Danville, Kentucky and the Impact Plus counseling services in Henderson. Sunrise will retain the Danville Campus name-- Woodlawn.

Sunrise currently serves more than 2,200 at-risk children and their families a year, operating six regions of therapeutic foster care, seven residential treatment centers, adoption services and family counseling centers in Kentucky.

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Kirk Alliman, President and CEO of Christian Care Communities, said the acquisition by Sunrise, “sets the stage for future growth of services to children, while allowing Christian Care to focus on its mission as the largest faith-based not-for-profit provider of affordable housing and long-term care for older adults. Our ministry to at-risk children and families has been an important part of our history. But, after extensive planning and a discerning selection process, we came to the conclusion that the best way to honor the history and tradition of the Children's Program was to put it in a position where it has the greatest opportunity to grow. Sunrise's sole mission is helping at-risk children and families, and we are excited about the plans they have for expanding the facilities and services offered in Danville and Henderson,” Alliman said.

As a condition of the acquisition, Christian Care will retain 45 acres of the 70-acre Woodlawn campus in Danville for future expansion of housing for older adults.

With the acquisition, Sunrise will invest approximately \$1 million to expand the facilities, creating a statewide training center for healthcare workers. There are no current plans for any staffing changes for the 80 employees currently working at the two locations.

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