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## **The 62nd Annual Cars for Charities Rod & Custom Car Show Was One for the Ages!**

*Tradition rich show draws people from all over the Midwest  
to help raise funds for two Local Wichita charities.*

### **PRESS RELEASE:**

Wichita, Kan. – Celebrating their 62nd year in 2019, the Cars for Charities Rod & Custom Car Show, held in January at Century II had another very successful show. Despite inclement weather forecasts, this year's show STILL raised \$100,000 for two local charities. Proceeds from the show were distributed equally to Starkey Foundation and The Arc of Sedgwick County – each receiving \$50,000 donations as a result of the show and its fundraising efforts.

This three-day family event once again had strong attendance with many attendees from outside of the Wichita city limits. The fun, family atmosphere created by the Cars for Charities Board of Directors continued with children 11 & under getting in Free along with an entirely Free Kids Zone featuring model car build and take, face painting, temporary tattoos, clowns, moon bounces and more.

The show now in the 8th year under the ownership group, Cars for Charities Co. a 501(c)(3) organization, continued its large charitable contribution due to strong sponsorship support and attendance at this year's event. "What another wonderful show we had again this year despite bad weather forecasts all week long. I'll be totally honest, I was a little nervous about the weather and the effects it would have on the show. Yet again, I was blown away by the support and resiliency of our Board, Volunteers and our community in supporting this show and our two local charities" said Tim Devlin, board president, Cars for Charities Co. and owner of Devlin Rod and Customs in Wichita. "I'm both very proud and humbled to announce we are able to donate \$100,000 to charity this year. The Arc of Sedgwick County and Starkey, Inc are great organizations and vital to so many people in our community. We are ecstatic to present these two fabulous local charities with a \$50,000 donation to each of them."

Next year's event is scheduled for January 17th – 19th, 2020 at Century II in downtown Wichita, KS.

The Cars for Charities Rod & Custom Car Show is an annual car show held in Wichita, Kan. All proceeds go to local charities benefiting children and individuals with disabilities. The Darryl Starbird Car Show was first held in Wichita in 1957 by custom car builder, Darryl Starbird. In 2011, the show was purchased by Tim and Tom Devlin, Dick Price, and John and Carl Fry, forming Cars for Charities Co. The board has now grown to 12 members.