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MAXIMUS Brings Hope to Children and Families Served by The Parenting Center

Wednesday, April 25th – Earlier this month, MAXIMUS Project Management Specialist Dana Stasey presented a check to The Parenting Center's Executive and Development Directors Barbara Lamsens and Holly Clinton to support the agency in its efforts to prevent child abuse and provide aid after abuse has occurred. Tarrant County, Texas, home to The Parenting Center, has the second highest rate of abused and neglected children in the state.¹ However in part due to the efforts of agencies like The Parenting Center, this number is decreasing. The educational programs and support that the agency offers – Family Life Education, Counseling, Co-Parenting and Case Management services – are proven to be one of the most effective ways to prevent the cycle of child abuse. Funds from the MAXIMUS Foundation will sustain The Parenting Center's programs that benefit individuals and their families for years to come.

With a mission of providing families the tools to succeed, The Parenting Center served more than 14,000 individuals in 2011. For more information about The Parenting Center, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, and to find out more about its dedication to safeguarding our children, please contact 817-332-6348 or visit <u>www.theparentingcenter.org</u>.



Development Director Holly Clinton with MAXIMUS Project Management Specialist Dana Stasey and The Parenting Center Executive Director Barbara Lamsens.

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¹ Data Books of the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, 201.