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### **Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri names Sonya Newton as new Housing Program Director**

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri named Sonya Newton as its new Housing Program Director. She is working out of the agency's Glenstone office in Springfield.

Sonya previously served as Director of Operations for 13 years at Midwest Hospice, a management company overseeing preferred and regional hospice. She concurrently held roles of Executive Director and Interim Administrator for five skilled nursing facilities in Southwest Missouri including: Preferred Hospice of Southwest, Forsyth Nursing & Rehab, Ozark Mountain Regional Healthcare Center, Jordan Creek, and Seymour Nursing and Rehab.

Sonya is a graduate of Missouri State University; is a certified nursing assistant (CNA), and licensed nursing home administrator (LNHA).

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri was founded as a nonprofit charity on July 24, 2009, to serve the state's southernmost 39 counties. Over the last decade, this social service agency and "best kept secret" has helped more than 33,000 people rebuild their lives toward self-sufficiency and has been assisted in its work by nearly 35,000 volunteers who donated an estimated 230,000 hours.

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri serves people of all faiths with the following services: homelessness prevention; LifeHouse Crisis Maternity Home; disaster case management; home repair and rebuilding, housing and financial counseling, on-the-job apprenticeship and training (Joplin), veteran services (excluding Greene, Christian, and Webster counties), and more. Please visit [www.ccsomo.org](http://www.ccsomo.org) or call 417.720.4213 for more information.

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