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**CHILDREN'S MUSEUM RECEIVES \$250,000 GRANT
FROM NINA MASON PULLIAM CHARITABLE TRUST**

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PHOENIX, AZ (August 8, 2007) – The Children's Museum of Phoenix has received \$250,000 from the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust it was announced today by Museum President & CEO, Deborah Gilpin. The funds will go towards the Museum's *Childhood Dreams Built By You* capital campaign.

"The Museum is extremely grateful to the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust for this grant and for their enthusiastic support of this project over the years," said Deb Gilpin. "We continue to work toward our capital campaign goal of \$12.3 million and grants such as this bring us that much closer to opening our doors next year."

The Museum's *Childhood Dreams Built By You* capital campaign currently stands at \$6.5 million. Capital campaign funds are used to open a permanent facility for the Museum in what is now the historic Monroe School in downtown Phoenix. Construction work on the building began in earnest earlier this year with exhibit design/fabrication currently underway. The Museum is scheduled to open in June, 2008.

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The Children's Museum of Phoenix is a 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to opening a children's museum that will engage the minds, muscles and imaginations of children and the adults who care about them. The museum will focus on learning through play, with emphasis on early childhood education and school-readiness. The Children's Museum will be housed in what is now the historic Monroe School at 7th Street and Van Buren in downtown Phoenix. For more information about the Children's Museum visit www.childrensmuseumofphoenix.org.