

Oklahoma Coaches Association to Honor Bethesda Inc. at Special Luncheon Featuring Author Hollie Stuart

Norman, Oklahoma — May 18, 2026 — The Oklahoma Coaches Association (OCA) will host a special recognition luncheon honoring Bethesda Inc., a leading Oklahoma nonprofit dedicated to supporting survivors of childhood sexual abuse. The event will feature keynote speaker Hollie Stuart, acclaimed author of “I Can See for Miles”, whose work has inspired audiences across the nation.

The luncheon will celebrate Bethesda Inc.’s long-standing commitment to healing, advocacy, and education. For decades, the organization has partnered with schools, coaches, and counselors to ensure Oklahoma’s children have access to trauma-informed support and education.

“Oklahoma coaches play a vital role in shaping the lives of young people, and Bethesda Inc. has been an extraordinary partner in helping us understand and respond to the needs of vulnerable children,” said Brook Varner, Oklahoma educator and Bethesda Board Member.

“We are honored that the OCA recognizes the impact that Bethesda has made in families all across Oklahoma.”

Hollie Stuart, whose book “I Can See for Miles” chronicles resilience, recovery, and the power of hope, will deliver a keynote address focused on the role mentors and coaches play in helping young people overcome adversity. Her message aligns closely with the OCA’s mission to support the whole student, on and off the field.

“Bethesda’s work is life-changing, and the Oklahoma Coaches Association is shining a light on something truly important,” Stuart said in advance of the event. “Every child deserves to be seen, supported, and believed in.”

Event Details

- Event: OCA Recognition Luncheon Honoring Bethesda Inc.
- Date: July 28, 2026
- Time: 12:00 – 1:00 pm
- Location: UCO – Nigh University Center – Food Court
- Keynote Speaker: Hollie Stuart, author of I Can See for Miles
- Tickets available – \$30 if purchased May-June/\$40 if purchase in July
- Proceeds go to Bethesda Inc.
 - Meal Included with ticket purchase

