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- 4 A PRESCHOOLER'S PARADISE 87 years in operation, the Institute of Child Development is reveling in its new home on the OU Norman campus and a \$3 million grant that will help low-income families access quality child care.
- **1,000 DAYS TOWARD FINDING A CURE** Researchers at the OU Health Harold Hamm Diabetes Center are confronting an epidemic by unearthing clues in pregnancy and "The First 1,000 Days" of a child's life.
- 14 MORE THAN A MEAL Hundreds of students, faculty and staff members find a place for nourishment and support each month at the OU Food Pantry, now five years old and relocated to an abundant space.
- RAISING QUESTIONS National Book Award finalist and OU anthropology professor Lucas Bessire has tackled thorny issues from South America to his native Kansas, where research led to a reckoning with family history.
- 24 SETTING THE BAR Excitement continues to build around OU men's golf, one of the biggest success stories on the collegiate links under coach Ryan Hybl.
- THE WHEELS PROJECT OU faculty and students are making an immediate difference to people who use wheelchairs in nations like Kenya and Guatemala while also developing mobility research that will affect the future.

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