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Dear Children's Museum of Skagit County Members,

We are excited to announce that after almost fifteen years in Skagit County and nearly ten years at Cascade Mall, the Children's Museum of Skagit County is moving to a new home. With the direction of the Cascade Mall still taking shape, the mall owners advised that the Children's Museum should begin the search for a new home. That new home has been found at The Outlet Shoppes at Burlington.

Construction will begin shortly on the new 12,250 square foot space at The Outlet Shoppes at Burlington, which will be larger than the current 11,000 square foot museum space. The museum will open in two phases, as construction is underway, and will open fully in early 2019. There will be exciting new exhibits at our new space after Phase I of construction is completed. We don't anticipate any museum closure during the transition; however, if closure does occur due to unexpected circumstances, we will adjust all membership expiration dates accordingly.

There will be many opportunities to participate in our relocation process! We will need help with demolition at our current space and transferring exhibits to our new space. We are also launching our "Bigger. Better. Brighter. Relocation Campaign" which will fund the new museum build out and relocation costs. Donations to this campaign can be made at the Museum or to our donation account at any Skagit Bank branch in the region. You'll also find coin boxes at local businesses where your change can be donated.

Additionally, we will be hosting a series of fun-filled events in our new space August 23-25<sup>th</sup> so you can preview the space with us prior to the start of construction. We'll have a Hard Hat Luncheon, Family Dance and Family Fun Day! While there, you can also purchase and paint a Donor Tile to be placed at the new museum site. Check out our website for more details!

We can't wait to continue to grow and touch the lives of families in our new home. Thank you for your continued support!

Best Regards,

Cate Anderson Executive Director

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BIGGER
12,250 Square Feet
BETTER
New Improved Exhibits
BRIGHTER
Opportunity for Expansion
of Programs/Space

The mission of the Children's Museum of Skagit County is to promote, encourage and increase an understanding of the arts, science, culture and literature among the children, youth, families and educators in Skagit County and beyond.