THE IMAGINATION FACTORY KIWANIS CHILDREN’S MUSEUM provides an educational experience where children and family members will learn through interactive play. The children’s museum will have exhibits for children of all ages to enjoy!
The implementation of the Imagination Factory Children’s Museum is a ‘dream come true’ to our local communities. Great Start and many other community partners have been meeting over several years, identifying how this valuable interactive play experience could become a reality for children.

Families love children’s museums. Many families travel out of the area to visit other children’s museums. Our community deserves a children’s museum. Community leaders have begun planning children’s museum exhibits by identifying exhibit contributors, sponsors and builders.

**CHILDREN’S MUSEUM CONTRIBUTOR GOALS**

1. Host children/student build event days
2. Involving the community in designing and creating exhibits
3. Highlighting museum exhibits at ‘Sneak Peek’ Event in May, 2019
4. Oversight and approval of exhibit design and construction
5. Providing the best quality exhibits for Imagination Factory Kiwanis Children’s Museum

**CHILDREN’S MUSEUM GUIDELINES**

People working on children’s museum exhibits will interpret the guidelines with their own quality standards and emphasis on safety. To be consistent in design, quality and safety, the exhibit proposals will be evaluated during phases of the creative process by working with builders and sponsors. Interested exhibit contributors will be provided a complete list of design parameters and exhibit guidelines.
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MISSION STATEMENT

THE IMAGINATION FACTORY CHILDREN’S MUSEUM will create positive outcomes for children and families coming together to experience interactive play. By having a safe place to play, learn and be creative, children will benefit socially and emotionally, resulting in improved school readiness and academic performance.

The Imagination Factory Children’s Museum is the centerpiece of the Our Place Community Center, located at 217 West Hughitt Street, Iron Mountain, MI. Our Place Community Center-Imagination Factory Children’s Museum is a non-profit organization on a mission to provide a gathering place where all generations: children, youth, adults and the elderly belong.

Many educational activities, services and resources make the Our Place Community Center-Imagination Factory Children’s Museum a safe environment that engages families and provides a meaningful intergenerational experience for children and families.
COMMUNITY CENTER OPPORTUNITIES

EMPOWERMENT ROOM
Youth leaders will be recruited to participate on an EMPOWERMENT TEAM consisting of 4 leadership opportunities: DESIGN, DREAM, IMPACT and AMBASSADOR TEAMS.

WAY TO GROW GARDEN
Children will be invited to participate in Way To Grow Garden Projects featuring Tower Gardens. By promoting healthy nutrition, the Way to Grow Garden will have the ability to not only educate our community on healthy eating choices, it will also expand classes and experiments dealing with environmental sensitivity.

TEAMWORK
“Our young children love children’s museums and they are especially excited to be able to return to a neighborhood children’s museum on a regular basis,” reported children’s museum action team leader Cherie Fila. “Everyone needs a place where they can go and feel welcomed, comfortable and safe.”

FOLLOW US
The Community Center has a website that allows viewers to see the schedule of upcoming events, programs and activities, as well as get to know and communicate with the community center leaders organizing the children’s museum. ourplacecc.org

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IMAGINATION FACTORY CHILDREN’S MUSEUM

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