



OREGON CHILD DEVELOPMENT COALITION

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40th Celebration Brings to Life Education, Dedication and Employment

WILSONVILLE, ORE. – May 12, 2011 – The Oregon Child Development Coalition (OCDC), a nonprofit organization, will host two 40th anniversary celebrations in Klamath Falls on Tuesday, May 24 and in Malin on Wednesday, May 25 both from 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

“We are excited to celebrate OCDC’s 40th anniversary. Our celebrations will highlight each of our centers individually and bring to life what our teachers, staff and families do every day,” said Barbara Fuentez, Klamath County Program Director.

The Klamath Falls Center offers Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Programs and Oregon PreKindergarten. Klamath Falls serves a total of 82 children in its five classrooms.

The Malin Center offers Migrant and Seasonal Head Start Programs. It is currently serves a total of 108 children in its six classrooms. From March to November the Center is the largest employer in Malin.

Together the centers employ a total of 62 people. Both sites impact the economy by providing both full and part-time employment opportunities throughout the year.

The celebrations will highlight the community partners who have worked with or benefited from the programs, such as growers, agricultural groups, public health, and the local school districts. OCDC will also highlight the various events and programs the centers have been a part of, such as the Cinco de Mayo festivities, the Tulelake-Butte Valley Fair Parade, the Children’s Learning Fair, Third Thursday and the Malin Fourth of July Celebration.

The celebrations are open to the public. The Klamath Falls center is located at 5642 S. 6th St. Klamath, Falls, OR. The Malin center is located at 2199 ½ 3rd St. Malin, OR. The programs will begin at 4:00 p.m.

This is OCDC’s fifth county to host and celebrate the organization’s 40th Anniversary. Celebrations will continue throughout the 12 counties it currently serves over the next five months ending with a Gala event at the end of September to highlight the accomplishments of the past 40 years and each individual center.

OCDC specializes in providing quality early childhood education and care for children ages birth to five, who come from working families with incomes below or at the poverty level. The goal is to help these children become ready for kindergarten, and also to provide health, education, parent involvement, mental health, nutrition and social services.

For more information about the event please contact Anthony Veliz at aveliz@izomarketing.com.

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The Oregon Child Development Coalition (OCDC) is an established private nonprofit corporation that serves children and their families through Migrant and Seasonal Head Start (MSHS), Migrant and Seasonal Early Head Start (MSEHS), Oregon Pre-Kindergarten (OPK) and Oregon Early Head Start (OEHS). As one of the largest education and early care networks in Oregon, OCDC is dedicated to improving the lives of children and families through Preparing children for school, Promoting economic opportunities families and communities, Partnering and collaborating and Practicing inclusiveness.