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OCDC Celebrates 40 Years of Serving the Community

WILSONVILLE, ORE. – March 14, 2011 – The Oregon Child Development Coalition (OCDC), a nonprofit organization, is celebrating 40 years of service for some of Oregon's most vulnerable children and their families. OCDC will be hosting community celebrations throughout the 12 counties it currently serves this year and a Gala event in September to highlight the accomplishments of the past 40 years.

"We are thrilled to celebrate our 40th anniversary with the families we serve and the communities that support and surround the facilities. It is our hope that we bring our many years of experience and knowledge to our newest center in Mulino. We are looking forward to our next forty years of service throughout the state and especially in this community," said Donalda Dodson, Executive Director.

The first event begins in Mulino on Monday, March 14, 2011. The event will showcase OCDC's newest building and commence the series of celebrations. The event is open to the public, located at 13700 South Freeman Road, Mulino, OR and starts at 4:30 p.m.

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 in Mulino please contact Anthony Veliz at aveliz@izomarketing.com. For more information about OCDC please visit www.ocdc.net.

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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 PreKindergarten (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.