

MARCH 2026

## IMAGINATION FACTORY COMMUNITY CENTER OPENING

HELLO COMMUNITY PARTNER:



The Imagination Factory Community Center will be opening the first floor Imagination Factory Children's Museum and the Gus Macker Cafe on **SATURDAY, APRIL 18 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM**. Excitement is building to finish the flooring installation; kitchen equipment hook ups; putting cafeteria booths, tables and chairs in place; furnishing the Family Resource Room; and polishing up the new Movement Room interactive play structure. Community Center Executive Director Barb Reisner reported, "Our community once again contributed generously to help make the transition from a 3,000 square foot children's museum at 217 W. Hughitt St. to the 13,000 square foot first floor children's museum at 301 W. Hughitt St. By enhancing and restoring this amazing historical building, the community center team has already developed innovative programs that will benefit generations to come."

The Imagination Factory Board of Directors greatly appreciates our extraordinary supportive community. As a special thank you, a Spring Open House and Gus Macker Launch Party will be held on **SUNDAY, APRIL 19 from 12:00 to 5:00 PM**. Guests coming through the front door will have **FREE** admission to the children's museum. All guests who sign up to volunteer at the August 15 to 16 Gus Macker 3on3 Basketball Tournament in Iron Mountain will receive a Gus Macker 2026 shirt and an invitation to a pizza buffet for friends and family members.

Charitable contributions are tax deductible: Tax ID number is 83-1861223. Excitement is building for April 18 when the doors open on the first floor children's museum, office, locker room, family resource room, commercial kitchen and cafeteria. We greatly appreciate all the generous 2025-2026 Capital Campaign donations. The Imagination Factory Community Center Capital Campaign will continue through the Fall of 2026 when the second and third floors and the playground open. Please mail contribution checks to:

**Imagination Factory PO Box 906 Iron Mountain MI 49801**

The new Imagination Factory Community Center website goes live on March 23 and expectations are set for all communication lines to be open and available: [www.imaginationfactory.us](http://www.imaginationfactory.us) **SEE YOU AT THE OPENING!**



Sincerely,

**IMAGINATION FACTORY EXECUTIVE TEAM**

*Barbara Reisner, Jonathan Ringel, John Estes,  
Kim Webb, Phil Zollner, Ed Farrington*

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