

September 1, 2025
Bitterroot Discovery Children's Museum
Hamilton, MT 59840

Dear Bitterroot Discovery Children's Museum Team,

Thank you so much for the many hours of work you have invested in bringing the vision for the Bitterroot Discovery Children's Museum to Ravalli County. As a former kindergarten teacher and educator, I have poured my life's work into early childhood education and am so excited to see an educational museum come to the valley. Having a venue where children can explore, discover and learn in a hands-on environment can only be a win-win for the families of our community. It is so needed.

Throughout the last few years, I have personally experienced the amazing influence you have had in our community and have had the pleasure of attending several of your events. All have been executed with great precision and intentionality. Your mission to inspire curiosity, creativity, and lifelong learning is exactly what our children need. Finding a permanent locale for making this happen is imperative in the Bitterroot Valley and it's clear that our children would benefit tremendously. Having a dedicated space for BDCM would allow even more kids to access educational opportunities and meaningful experiences.

It is my sincere wish that our whole community will stand with me in supporting this important project. Our future generations can only benefit from having more educational experiences such as this museum will provide.

I look forward to seeing BDCM continue to grow and provide meaningful experiences for the children of Ravalli County. Thank you for your hard work and commitment to enriching our community!

Most sincerely,

Karen Fields, Retired Teacher and Principal, BA Education, MS Curriculum and Instruction

2069 Walking Mule Lane
Corvallis, MT 59828
karen4fields@yahoo.com 406)552-8074