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Children's Museum of Denver receives total office makeover from IKEA Centennial

Photo opportunity: Watch the new offices take shape before your very eyes!

Denver, CO - Over 6,000 pounds of new office furniture – that's 1,422 IKEA boxes - will roll into the Children's Museum of Denver on an 18-wheeler on April 15. It's a Cinderella story – but with glass table tops instead of glass slippers; out with the well-used office desks and hand-me-down storage cabinets and chairs, and in with the polished, professional IKEA Centennial designs.

Above and beyond the Children's Museum of Denver's \$16.1 million expansion project to double the exhibits and program spaces, employee office spaces will receive a complete renovation, thanks entirely to a partnership with IKEA Centennial.

The \$75,000 in-kind donation will include 52 new work stations, break room furniture and conference room accessories. The donations will come from the IKEA Business line in the Workspaces department of IKEA Centennial and will create a streamlined, cohesive look in a space that was formerly an eclectic (well-loved) mish-mash of furniture and storage.

The best part – IKEA Centennial is taking care of the installation through their Assembly service program.

"We thought about hosting a staff furniture assembly party when we first heard about their donation," said Mike Yankovich, President and CEO of the Children's Museum of Denver, "Then IKEA took their generosity a step further and agreed to assemble everything, for which we are eternally grateful!"

Delivery is Wednesday, April 15, with their Assembly services group arriving to install April 20. The brand new space will debut on April 24.

IKEA Centennial's donation to the Children's Museum of Denver is part of their broader commitment to education and community involvement. IKEA Centennial awarded the Children's Museum of Denver a \$75,000 in-kind donation for their \$16.1 million Museum expansion campaign to double its size. The 2-year partnership will provide design expertise, products and furnishings for new programming and exhibit spaces, including the Teaching Kitchen, The Arts Studio, and several school group spaces, in addition to the office renovations.

About the Children's Museum of Denver

The Children's Museum of Denver believes in kid-powered learning. Every day, expertly designed

exhibits and programs open doors for Colorado's curious young minds to express what they know and to discover, create and explore more - on their own terms.

Since 1973, the Children's Museum of Denver has served the metro-Denver community as a learning institute dedicated to the education and growth of young children and their caregivers. The Museum provides rich play experiences and a dynamic learning environment for children to joyously learn through innovative and interactive hands-on exhibits, engaging daily programming and year-round special events. Last year, they served more than 359,000 children and their grown-ups.

The Museum is currently under construction on a \$16.1 million expansion to create a 9-acre campus and new experiences; doubling the size of the current facility. The expansion is slated for completion late 2015.

The Children's Museum of Denver is a 501(c)(3), private non-profit organization, and a Tier II SCFD member.

About IKEA Centennial

Since its 1943 founding in Sweden, IKEA has offered home furnishings of good design and function at low prices so the majority of people can afford them. There are currently more than 360 IKEA stores in 47 countries, including 40 in the U.S. IKEA incorporates sustainability into day-to-day business and supports initiatives that benefit children and the environment. For more information see IKEA-USA.com, [@IKEAUSA](https://www.instagram.com/IKEAUSA), [@IKEA_Centennial](https://www.facebook.com/IKEAUSA) or IKEAUSA on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/IKEAUSA), [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/IKEAUSA), [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/IKEAUSA) and [Pinterest](https://www.pinterest.com/IKEAUSA).

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