Kindering Announces Opening of Fourth Location in Redmond at Together Center

Largest neurodevelopmental center in the PNW expanding early intervention services by 10% in 2019

January 25, 2019 – BELLEVUE – After nearly 60 years devoted to helping infants and children with special needs, Kindering has announced that it will launch its third satellite campus in 2019. As in past years, the need for Kindering’s nationally recognized early intervention services skyrocketed in 2018. This prompted the non-profit to begin a search for more physical space to house staff and programs to continue serving all children and families.

The past 57 years have brought thousands of children through Kindering’s doors as the need for early intervention continues to grow. For this reason, the organization has been pressed to spread its wings twice before, opening a Bothell satellite campus in 2014 and a Renton satellite campus in 2017. Both expansions helped refine the agency’s vision of maximizing support for families and removing barriers to service.

After a review of many factors, the Executive Team and Kindering’s Board of Directors began actively pursuing a small campus located in the densest area of Kindering’s early intervention population. The Redmond campus will be a neighborhood-based location close to public transportation options, which will facilitate access to services for all families. Kindering Redmond, slated to open its doors in Spring 2019, will provide developmental evaluations and desk space for staff serving the local area with home therapy visits. Additionally, the campus will include space for one-on-one therapies and supports.

Kindering Redmond will be located in the Together Center complex in downtown Redmond. Annually, more than 10,000 people throughout East King County seek services at Together Center, a local setting for over 20 essential human service agencies to provide critical resources including shelter, medical and dental care, counseling, child care, supports for the disabled, mental health services, and many more.

The addition of a site in Redmond will move the organization closer to the strategic goal of reaching 10,000 infants and children with disabilities and their families, per year by 2022 with Kindering’s gold-standard therapies and education.

The new Redmond campus will be led by the recently-named Program Manager, Katie O’Brien, who has a decade of experience as an occupational therapist and most recently as the Early Intervention Motor Program Manager at Kindering Bellevue. About the opportunities this extension will provide, O’Brien said, “We are so excited to be expanding Kindering in a rapidly growing area. We will be partnering with the Together Center to meet the diverse needs of children and families in Redmond.”
Learn More About Kindering at www.kindering.org

Kindering was established in 1962 by five young Eastside mothers of children with special needs. In the past five decades, Kindering has grown into the largest and most comprehensive early intervention center in the Northwest. Honored with numerous awards and referenced in academic journals, Kindering is a well-recognized national leader in early intervention services for children ages birth to three with developmental delays or disabilities. Additionally, Kindering has innovated programs for those at risk of developmental delay targeting the special needs of families who are immigrants and refugees; foster and kinship families; children in families who are homeless/housing insecure; and families whose first language is not English.

In 2018, Kindering served nearly 6,000 children and their families. Kindering is well known for bringing research to practice, developing evidence-based methodologies and programs, proving the concept, and then disseminating the information locally and nationally. In addition to exceptional therapies and special education, Kindering is acclaimed for its unparalleled bench of mental health professionals offering a continuum of family therapies to support to children of diverse abilities and their families.

Those wishing to learn more about Kindering, its mission and programs may call Carolyn Fritzsche at 425-289-7529, e-mail Carolyn.Fritzsche@kindering.org.

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