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KIDS ON THE MOVE CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

Orem August 2016 – In a large celebration on Friday, August 19th, members of the Utah County community will commemorate Kids On The Move’s 30th Anniversary.

Quote from Scott about 30th anniversary – “Kids On The Move has come so far since 1986. The founders had an amazing vision for disabled children so many years ago. What a profoundly positive influence they still have on hundreds of thousands of families!”

Kids On The Move provides education, therapy and support to families of young children in the state of Utah. Kids On The Move Early Intervention serves children with disabilities and developmental delays in the Alpine School District, Kids On The Move Early Head Start serves low-income families with young children in Utah County, Kids On The Move Autism Center serves children living with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) or similar developmental delays throughout the state of Utah, and Kids On The Move Early Education Center provides quality licensed childcare located in Orem. Most recently, Kids On The Move added Respite care to their umbrella of services.

“The mission of Kids On The Move is particularly unique in that it addresses not only a disability, a developmental delay or perhaps a poverty issue that is associated with the child, but we bring parents into the equation so that we’re helping not just the child but the entire family”, says Scott Bean, chief executive officer at Kids On The Move.

Karen Hahne and Brenda Winegar founded Kids On The Move in 1986 when both had children with Down syndrome. They believed that handicapped children could do more than society assumed. After looking around and finding no support for their children, they opened their own facility. Now, 30 years later, Kids On The Move is celebrating as it serves more than 2,500 children and families each year.

“Through the help we have received, we feel hopeful for our daughter,” says CarrieAnn Newman, a mother at Kids On The Move. “I believe she will be able to catch up with other kids her age and develop properly throughout the years. We are very grateful for the services provided by Kids On The Move.”

The 30th anniversary celebration is open to all families Kids On The Move has ever served since it’s opening in 1986. Children who received services will be able to reconnect with former therapists and specialists in a fun environment. Also invited are all current and former staff and board members, community partners and corporations, government officials, volunteers, and anyone who has shown their continued support and whose lives have been touched.

Event highlights will include special guest speakers, free food, bounce houses, a zip line, free entertainment, games for children and adults alike, and prize giveaways. RSVP is required by

calling 801-221-9930 or emailing kids@kotm.org by August 15. For those who would like to contribute to this free event, corporate and private sponsorships are also available.

MEDIA INFORMATION FOR 30th ANNIVERSARY EVENT

WHAT: Kids On The Move 30th Anniversary Celebration

WHEN: Friday, August 19th from 5:30pm to 8:30pm

WHERE: Kids On The Move building: 475 West 260 North, Orem, Utah – located just south of Orem Community Hospital. Event held on the fields surrounding the building and hospital.

WHO WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE: Val Hale, executive director of the Utah Governor’s Office of Economic Development; Tom Macdonald, Orem City Council; Rachelle Rutherford, Mrs. Utah 2017 and former Kids On The Move COO; Brenda Winegar and Karen Hahne, cofounders of Kids On The Move; former and current families serviced at Kids On The Move; former and current staff members and board members.

RSVP: kids@kotm.org or 801-221-9930

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