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Supervisor Gardea Donates \$25,000 Discretionary Funds to the Children's Museum of Stockton

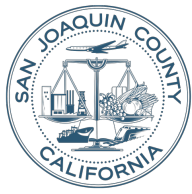
STOCKTON - A beloved Stockton family destination is getting a much-needed upgrade, thanks to a \$25,000 discretionary funding donation from District One Supervisor Mario Gardea to the Children's Museum of Stockton.

"The Children's Museum holds a special place in my heart," said Supervisor Gardea. "I took my daughters there when they were younger, and now I'm making new memories with my grandkids."

Founded in 1994, the Children's Museum of Stockton features 22,000 square feet of interactive exhibits designed to support children's social, physical, and imaginative development. Supervisor Gardea's donation will help fund upgrades to the museum's aging heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system, helping ensure the facility remains a safe, comfortable, and welcoming place for children and families.

Gardea's connection to the museum goes back generations. He comes from a family of firefighters, and his father helped donate a fire truck to the museum. As a former president of the Stockton Firefighters Association, Gardea continued to support the museum by helping keep the fire rig maintained.

"The museum is a gem in our city," said Gardea. "It gives kids a place to run, play, explore, and be creative. I'm fortunate to be able to continue giving back to this special place in my role as Supervisor."



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