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**House Speaker Announces State Grant**

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Speaker of the House Jim Amann announced a \$200,000 state grant to the museum to help fund building improvements. He was joined in making the announcement by State Representatives Ryan Barry, Jack Thompson and State Senator Mary Anne Handley.

“We must continue to invest in education. The Lutz Children’s Museum offers creative programs that help to prepare young people for success in school. We should all feel proud to be a part of that”, said Speaker Amann.

“These funds will help us to revise our floor plan to make space for more exhibits and programs”, said Bob Eckert, Executive Director of the Lutz Children’s Museum. “We would like to thank Representative Ryan Barry and House Speaker Jim Amann for their support”, he added.

The Lutz Children’s Museum is a non-profit organization founded in 1953 to provide educational experiences to young children. Additional information is available at: ([www.lutzmuseum.org](http://www.lutzmuseum.org)).

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