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**Gresham, Oregon: Metro East Web Academy announces purchase of East Hill Church Youth Center at 50 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Street in downtown Gresham.**

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Metro East Web Academy (MEWA), a K-12 tuition free virtual-hybrid charter school sponsored Gresham Barlow School district announced today the purchase of the East Hill Church Youth Center, located at 50 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Gresham, Oregon 97030.

The Youth Center is a great acquisition for MEWA because of its excellent location to better serve the students and the community. As MEWA continues to grow in enrollment, the board and administration team felt it was a perfect time to make this acquisition. MEWA is currently leasing space on Civic Drive.

The Youth Center is an approximately 18,000 square foot one story facility on approximately 1.6 acres. The Facility was originally built in 1956 as a grocery store and later was home to the Youth Center for East Hill Church, a member of International Church of the Foursquare Gospel.

MEWA will take possession of the building as of January 6, 2020. During the construction phase of the remodel, the parking lot will be closed to the general public. When the building opens for use in the fall of 2020, the parking lot will be reserved for staff, students and visitors to the school.

The acquisition of the East Hill Youth Center Building officially closed on Thursday, December 19, 2019.

Sincerely,

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