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History Center and Fort Pitt Museum to Offer Free Admission for Kids in February and March

-Thanks to UPMC and UPMC Health Plan, kids will get in free at the #1 history museum in America-

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 31, 2025 – Admission to the Senator John Heinz History Center and Fort Pitt Museum will be free for kids age 17 and under during Black History Month (February) and Women’s History Month (March), thanks to generous support from community partners **UPMC** and **UPMC Health Plan**.

Beginning Saturday, Feb. 1 through Monday, March 31, all kids aged 17 and under will receive free general admission to the Smithsonian-affiliated History Center, which includes the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum; and the Fort Pitt Museum, located in historic Point State Park. Regular admission applies for all adult visitors and groups.

At the History Center, families can explore six floors of award-winning exhibitions and interactive learning spaces:

- Spiral down a 12-foot “Liberty Tube” slide in the Great Hall and design pop art, construct bridges, and more in the interactive **Discovery Place** exhibition.
- Explore the Neighborhood of Make-Believe featuring the original set and puppets in the **Mister Rogers’ Neighborhood** exhibition.
- Exercise your minds and bodies while climbing the **UPMC SmartSteps**, the world’s only history exhibition in a stairwell! Punch a stamp card on all six floors to win a free Heinz pickle pin.
- Land a space rover on the surface of the Moon inside the Apollo 11 section of **Pittsburgh: A Tradition of Innovation**.
- Throw a touchdown pass to legendary Steelers and score the winning goal for the Penguins inside the two-floor Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum.

At the Fort Pitt Museum, families can take in-depth exploration of the history and culture of American Indian tribes who once called Western Pa. home inside the Fort Pitt Museum’s new exhibition, **Homelands: Native Nations of Allegheny**. Created in collaboration with federally recognized Delaware, Seneca, Seneca-Cayuga, and Shawnee tribes, the exhibition illuminates the past, present, and future of the region’s Native tribes with rare artifacts and new scholarship.

The History Center and Fort Pitt Museum are open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information, visit heinzhistorycenter.org.

The **Senator John Heinz History Center**, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution and the largest history museum in Pennsylvania, presents American history with a Western Pennsylvania connection. The History Center was recently voted as the #1 history museum in America by USA Today and Pittsburgh's Best Museum by readers of Pittsburgh Magazine. The History Center and Sports Museum are located at 1212 Smallman Street in the city's Strip District. The History Center's family of museums includes the Sports Museum; the Fort Pitt Museum in historic Point State Park; and Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village, a National Historic Landmark located in Avella, Pa., in Washington County. More information is available at heinzhistorycenter.org.

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