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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Historic West Shore Theatre: Rescue, Restore, Reinvent & Revitalize

[New Cumberland, PA – January 8, 2021] — The Board of Directors of the Friends of the West Shore Theatre (FOWST), along with local elected officials, including Senator Mike Regan, will hold a press conference to announce the awarding of the largest contribution to date for the restoration of the iconic neighborhood theatre.

#### Press Conference

Wednesday, January 13, 2021

10:00 a.m.

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The Friends of the West Shore Theatre, Inc., a non-profit corporation, will announce major gifts received for the renovation of the historic West Shore Theatre, set to re-open in late 2021. Major gifts include grants from various State and County programs, private foundations, and grassroots efforts.

“With generous grants in hand, work will begin to revitalize the West Shore Theatre, beginning with the removal of existing seats, equipment, movie screen, concession stand, and other remnants of the Theatre,” states Doug Morrow, FOWST Board President. “These will be replaced with new systems and up-to-date equipment that will enable the Theatre to re-open as both a movie theatre and a place for live entertainment.”

The West Shore Theatre project is a cornerstone project of the broader revitalization efforts of the New Cumberland community. Of the \$2.0 million required to complete the project, the FOWST currently has commitments for \$1.6 million, plus several corporate sponsorships. A public appeal for the remaining financial support needed to complete the Theatre renovation is also underway.

For more information, visit [www.friendsofthewestshoretheatre.org](http://www.friendsofthewestshoretheatre.org).

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