

ABOUT THE PROJECT



Joan Sirek's National President's Project will be in support of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge. The Auxiliary has supported Freedoms Foundation since 1954, including as our Americanism Project.

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When I was the Americanism Officer and was able to go to AMVETS Spirit of America Youth Leadership Conference, I was amazed how students from all over the United States interacted in all the activities on campus, learning about their civic responsibility. Never has that been more needed than today. In helping them replace the windows in the MacArthur building, we will not only help bring efficiencies and savings on utility bills, but we help make sure Freedoms Foundation is educating young citizens for years to come.

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ABOUT FREEDOMS FOUNDATION

Founded in 1949, Freedoms Foundation provides civic education for students (such as the AMVETS Spirit of America Youth Leadership Conference) and professional development for teachers in American history, character development, the Constitution, and the free enterprise system. Their goal is to prepare the next generation to become engaged, patriotic, informed citizens motivated by a sense of duty and responsibility to defend the freedoms that define our great nation.

Included on Freedoms Foundation's 75-acre campus in Valley Forge, Pa., are an administrative building, dormitories, classrooms, dining room, chapel, and the Medal of Honor Grove, which honors the more than 3,500 recipients of the MOH. All of the facilities were built between 1963 and 1975. Freedoms Foundation has undertaken a comprehensive study and is planning a significant renovation of the campus in order to continue and expand their mission.



Joan Sirek's
National
President's
Project
2021-2022



“LET THE LIGHT SHINE IN”

WINDOW REPLACEMENT CAMPAIGN

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THE NEED FOR NEW WINDOWS

- ★ The majority of the 364 windows in the four main buildings on campus are wood, double-hung, single-pane, divided lite windows.
- ★ All windows are extremely inefficient with regards to current energy standards.
- ★ The wood windows all show signs of deterioration.
- ★ All windows should be replaced with new window assemblies that provide thermally efficient glazing and framing.
- ★ The cost for each window to be replaced is approximately \$1,000.
- ★ Everyone that visits the Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge campus will benefit. MacArthur Hall is where the classroom and dining room are as well as the game room, gift shop, and 15 dormitory rooms.
- ★ By replacing the windows, it will keep the utility bills down by keeping it cool in the summer and warm in the winter more efficiently.
- ★ Saving money from the utility bills will allow FFVF to fund more teachers and students for programs on American history and the Constitution.



"No one does more for Freedoms Foundation than our friends at AMVETS National Ladies Auxiliary...and we are grateful beyond words." said Jason L. S. Raia, Executive Vice President of Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge.

“ There are 364 windows on campus, and 82 of them are in the MacArthur building alone. At \$1,000 per window, this project can only be accomplished with help. ”



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