



US. ARMY MEDICAL DEPARTMENT MISEUM

Greetings All,

Our purpose with this letter is to bring you up to date on the plans and progress that your Medical Department Museum has made over the past several years. We are bringing you the exciting news that the Pentagon has approved our proffer letter to begin Phase I of our Capital Campaign to build a new public entrance with additional upgrades to the facility. We invite you urgently to join us in supporting this vision for the expansion and to help broaden the impact of our museum.

The Foundation's expansion plan for your museum includes creating an external entrance to the facility for public access without requiring passage through the installation's access control points, as well as a 300-seat auditorium with pre-activity area, upgrading exhibit areas, and expanding the aircraft pergola to increase display capacity. With our approved proffer from the Pentagon, we can proceed with construction. We are trying to expand our patronage to include the residents of San Antonio and its tourist community, the families of the graduating students of the Joint Medical Education and Training Command (METC) and enhance the experience of soldiers from the Medical Center of Excellence and MEDCOM who complete training at your museum.

However, we do not have enough funds to cover the cost of this project to upgrade your museum, which has doubled in price during the two years that it took to obtain Pentagon approval for this project. Our initial quote of \$1.2 million is now around twice that, hovering at \$2.1 million with the inflated cost of supplies and labor, which we have seen reflected in fuel and grocery prices, too. We have a unique opportunity because one of our grants is a matching federal grant of \$498,000. We have matched a large portion, but we need your help to match the remaining \$278,000. This means every dollar you donate is matched by the federal government, making your dollar go further than before.

How does this Capital Campaign affect you? Your museum is attempting to document and display our collective contributions to Military Medicine over time. Opening the facility to the public means that we must be better at telling our story. To be effective, our improvements will enhance the quality of the museum's facilities and galleries, to say nothing of increasing the number and variety of visitors, and their increased awareness about the accomplishments of those in the AMEDD. More importantly, visitors will learn that Army medicine is a national treasure, responsible for many historic advances in medical care.

A donation of any amount helps share our history and heritage with the world. Thank you for considering your AMEDD Museum in your planned giving for 2021.

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How to donate and support:

- 1. You can visit our giftshop online and contribute safely and securely through our website: **ameddgiftshop.org** and click on "Support Our Foundation" in the upper right-hand corner or type in "donate" in the search box.
- 2. You can call us to donate over the phone: **210-225-0015**. The Gift Shop is open Tuesday Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM CST to assist you.
- 3. A check can be made out to the AMEDD Museum Foundation and mailed to:

AMEDD Museum Foundation PO Box 8294 Ft Sam Houston, TX 78208

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our efforts, please visit us online at **ameddmuseumfoundation.org** or call us to speak with someone about our Capital Campaign and vision for the museum.

4. Share this letter with anyone who might be interested in supporting the museum. Your friends, family, coworkers, and network might be interested in learning more about our efforts. We appreciate you spreading the word!