Fairfax County Issues $200,000 Grant to Turning Point Suffragist Memorial Association

We are happy to announce that we have received a hearty endorsement and a hefty check of $200,000 from Fairfax County to support construction of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial. The motion to support our project was drafted by Fairfax County Board Chairman Sharon Bulova and Supervisor John W. Foust. They cited its importance to the county's tourism and hospitality industries and said the memorial will only enhance the interest among residents and tourists to visit an important historical and cultural area of Fairfax County. The motion was unanimously approved by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors.

Occoquan ReCreated: A Grand Reopening

Saturday, June 23rd, 2:30-6:00 pm

NOVA Parks' Occoquan Regional Park, where the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial will be located, is celebrating its grand reopening on Saturday, June 23, 2018 from 2:30-6:00 pm.
This FREE festival-style event will include live music from JunkFood (5-8 pm), the acoustic stylings of Chris Rall (2:30-5 pm), tours of the brand new River View weddings & events center, a variety of vendors, food trucks, moon bounces and fun for the family, tours of the park and much more!

The centerpiece of the park is the Jean R. Packard Center along the Occoquan River that features an event space for 300 -- the River View. There is also the 1608 Room featuring interpretive elements that commemorate the first European/Native American interactions in our region when Captain John Smith of the Jamestown Colony explored the Chesapeake and Potomac and traded with native people on the Occoquan. The building also houses the Brickmakers Cafe, a casual dining venue with a patio overlooking the river. Other elements in the park include a 5K paved loop trail, a new bridge, a new large group shelter, a new playground, and a new seawall and plaza area.

The Turning Point Suffragist Memorial will be added to the park grounds by 2020, directly opposite the Jean R. Packard Center.
A Special Thank You to the
Women2Women Committee of the Tower Club!!

Our recent event hosted by the Women2Women Committee of the Tower Club was a huge success with more than $30,000 raised for the construction of the Turning Point Suffragist Memorial.

Cokie and Rebecca Roberts kept the audience riveted with the stories they've uncovered while researching women who've been left out of our history books. Rebecca's latest book, "Suffragists in Washington," focuses on the famous 1913 Suffrage March. Cokie says her next novel will focus on suffrage history.

Cokie inspired many in the audience to support the construction
of the memorial by encouraging them to donate so that the suffragists will make it into the history we are all taught.

The evening at the Tower Club would not have been such a success without our sponsors:

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Our Mission:

"To educate, inspire, and empower present and future generations to remain vigilant in the quest for equal rights."

The suffrage movement is considered the "best kept secret in American history." Few people know that five million women fought more than seven decades to win the vote. Your tax deductible donation will help build America's only national suffragist memorial that will serve as a visual symbol and educational tool to elevate those who won the vote. The signing of the 19th Amendment created the greatest expansion of democracy the world had ever seen.

Any size gift is greatly appreciated but a gift of $1,000 or more entitles the donor to have their name inscribed on the Donor Wall. Let's share our commitment to democracy and voting rights for women by building this memorial together!

You can make an online donation or mail your tax deductible check to:

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in partnership with NOVA Parks (Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority) is raising funds to build a national suffragist memorial which will commemorate the struggle of those who fought to secure voting rights for all American women.