

EMANUEL SYNAGOGUE HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

October 2022

GRANT APPLICATIONS:

NAA We have received approval to solicit up to \$150,000 to be used towards installing more efficient air conditioning in the Sanctuary and Koret Hall (we have already ordered the equipment, at a cost of approx \$300,000). We welcome assistance in pursuing possible corporate donors. Please contact Kobi, Reesa, Joyce Hyde or myself.

FEMA 2021 The lighting and emergency PA systems are complete. A Cel Phone Emergency Service Extender for the entire building is being proposed to FEMA by Tom Mastronarde and Joyce, as our expenses to date were less than we expected, and the poor cel phone reception in the building was identified by John Colangelo, our Security Consultant, as a possible problem in the event of an emergency.

FEMA 2022 Award notices are due out soon. Possible award is \$150,000 for security improvements. (Still waiting....)

HARTFORD FOUNDATION FOR PUBLIC GIVING Nothing in our category so far this year.

PROJECTS:

ELECTRONIC YARZEIT DISPLAY IN SANCTUARY AND CHAPEL - Approved by the Board. Original pricing was for 55" diagonal monitor in the Chapel, and 65" diagonal monitor in the Sanctuary. The Ritual Committee has requested that both monitors be the same 65" size. The additional cost is \$4,800. Decision is pending. Data cables and proper electrical outlets are being installed.

Total cost (revised) is \$44,800 for the two 65" displays, programming and installation. Additional cost for data and electrical wiring will be approximately \$2,000. **(Possible Committee approval needed for revised cost?)**

SKYLIGHT DOMES Installation is complete. Anyone wishing to sponsor a dome, please call Kobi for details.

SANCTUARY AND KORET A/C Replace Rooftop Air Conditioning Systems for Sanctuary and Koret Hall. Equipment is on order, delivery and installation is expected for late fall.

SCHOOL AIR CONDITIONING New air conditioning has been completed in all the school 1st and 2nd floor classrooms. The Synagogue and the Museum will share the installation cost approx. 60/40. The Museum will pay the cost of operation.

STORAGE BUILDING COMPLETED - thank you Tom for heading up this project.

MEETING/PLAYGROUND AREA - Plans are being formulated to create an outdoor Recreation/Gathering area near the existing playground. Reesa is forming a committee to

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develop the scope and costs. A Landscape Architect will be needed to help formulate the design, Code and Zoning requirements, if any. Tom is obtaining quotes for use in submittal to FEMA for the security improvements which will be needed to secure the area. Possible fund raiser by selling engraved paving bricks for the walkway or patio.

SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN SCHOOL BUILDING AND

SYNAGOGUE - Additional locks and security devices are being added in the school wing, designed to keep the Day Care and Museum visitors from entering the synagogue proper. Thanks Kobi, Rick, and Joseph for your help in the design.

SCHOOL RENTAL - The school building is now completely occupied, with the Museum scheduled to complete their 1st Floor move-in soon. Thank you to all who were involved in this huge accomplishment.

High Holiday Security this year was well organized and quite prominent. Thank you to Kobi for taking charge, and thank you to **all of the volunteers** who made it work!

Thanks to Joseph, Juan, Jack and Derek for maintaining the building and for performing the necessary cleaning, polishing, painting and repairs needed to bring the school and the synagogue up to first-class condition.

Thanks to Kobi, Joseph, Rick, Tom and Alan Goodman for your project management skills.

We welcome additional assistance and expertise on any House Committee project, and a Happy and Healthy L'Shanah Tovah to All.

Howard Smith, Chair

Emanuel House Committee