

EMANUEL SYNAGOGUE HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT
September 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 \$350,000). We welcome assistance in pursuing possible corporate donors before the September 31 deadline. Please contact Kobi, Reesa, Joyce Hyde or myself.

FEMA 2021 The lighting and emergency PA systems are complete. Additional allowable scope is being investigated, as our expenses to date were less than we expected.

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

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. Funding has been approved by the Ritual Committee. Don Miller is proceeding with the order, with input from Gail W. No word on delivery or installation dates yet. Quoted cost is \$40,000 for the displays, programming and installation. Additional cost for data and electrical wiring will be approximately \$2,000.

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

PARKING LOT REPAIRS - CRACK FILLING - Completed.

SANCTUARY AND KORET A/C Replace Rooftop Air Conditioning Systems for Sanctuary and Koret Hall. Equipment is on order, delivery estimated at 10 months.

AUDITORIUM AIR CONDITIONING The new cooling tower has been installed, and is in service. It is visible on the kitchen/garage roof.

SCHOOL HEATING SYSTEM REPAIRS - Repair of thermostats throughout the building and of leaking heat pipes on the 300 level has been completed. Cost will be covered by NAA funds received in 2020.

SCHOOL AIR CONDITIONING Mini-split air conditioning has been installed in the 2nd floor for the Museum Day Care. The Synagogue and the Museum will share the cost approx. 60/40.

The Museum air conditioning is being installed on the first floor. The power for the air conditioning is separately monitored, and will be reimbursed by the Museum.

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STORAGE BUILDING Tom Mastronarde has completed the storage building installation, which is located off the parking lot, near the exit driveway. Well done Tom,. and thank you for your help.

MEETING/PLAYGROUND AREA - Plans are being formulated to create an outdoor Recreation/Gathering area near the existing playground. Tom has also been working with Reesa and Arlen, gathering quotes for use in submittal to FEMA for the security improvements which will be needed to secure the area.

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 designing the

SCHOOL RENTAL - The rental of the entire school building will have a huge impact on our future. The income is sorely welcomed by our Schul, but to have an occupied building once again, will bring new energy and challenges to our staff. It is my firm belief, that this well-known and valued tenant would not be currently moving into the building, were it not for the constant efforts of Kobi Benita, Lisa Sadinsky, and Mitchell Jaffe.

As House Chairman, I have worked closely with Kobi on many projects. I have great respect for his ability to constantly "shift gears" as each task or project crossed his path. I believe that his work with the Museum lease is just a small sample of what he can do. His contract negotiations should be completed as soon as possible, with a 3 year contract if possible, so that we can have some continuity in the Executive Director's position. Several members have stated to me "It would be a shame to lose him." I agree.

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 Joseph, Rick, Tom and Alan for your project management skills.

We welcome your additional assistance and expertise on any of the many House Committee projects.

Howard Smith, Chair

Emanuel House Committee