



*Your Donor Story* THE IMPACT OF YOUR PHILANTHROPY



2022





## MY GREAT PLEASURE IS TO SHARE YOUR 2022 Donor Impact Statement!

Your generous support of DAR and all our Society's initiatives have truly made a difference. Today, I am pleased to share with you how your donations have advanced this important work.

You, and thousands of donors like you, generously contribute to the now more than 26 funds that impact nearly every aspect of DAR. Please accept my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all that you do to make DAR sparkle!

I am happy to share some of the things your generosity made possible last year.

Again, thank you for your generous and ongoing support of DAR.

*Pamela Wright*  
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President General

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During the year, your generous financial contributions brought down the house on the VanBuren Administration's The Next Act Campaign for DAR Constitution Hall and successfully premiered the Wright Administration's *Celebrate Stars & Stripes Forever!*

You, and nearly 12,000 donors like you, contributed to support a wide range of DAR programs. Please take a moment to celebrate all that you have accomplished through your philanthropy.



#### *Historic Preservation*

Your generous support made the renovation of DAR Constitution Hall possible! From the seats to the ceilings and beyond your contributions provided an entirely new performance environment that has performers and promoters sharing publically. You have truly created a visitor experience expected by 21st century audiences.



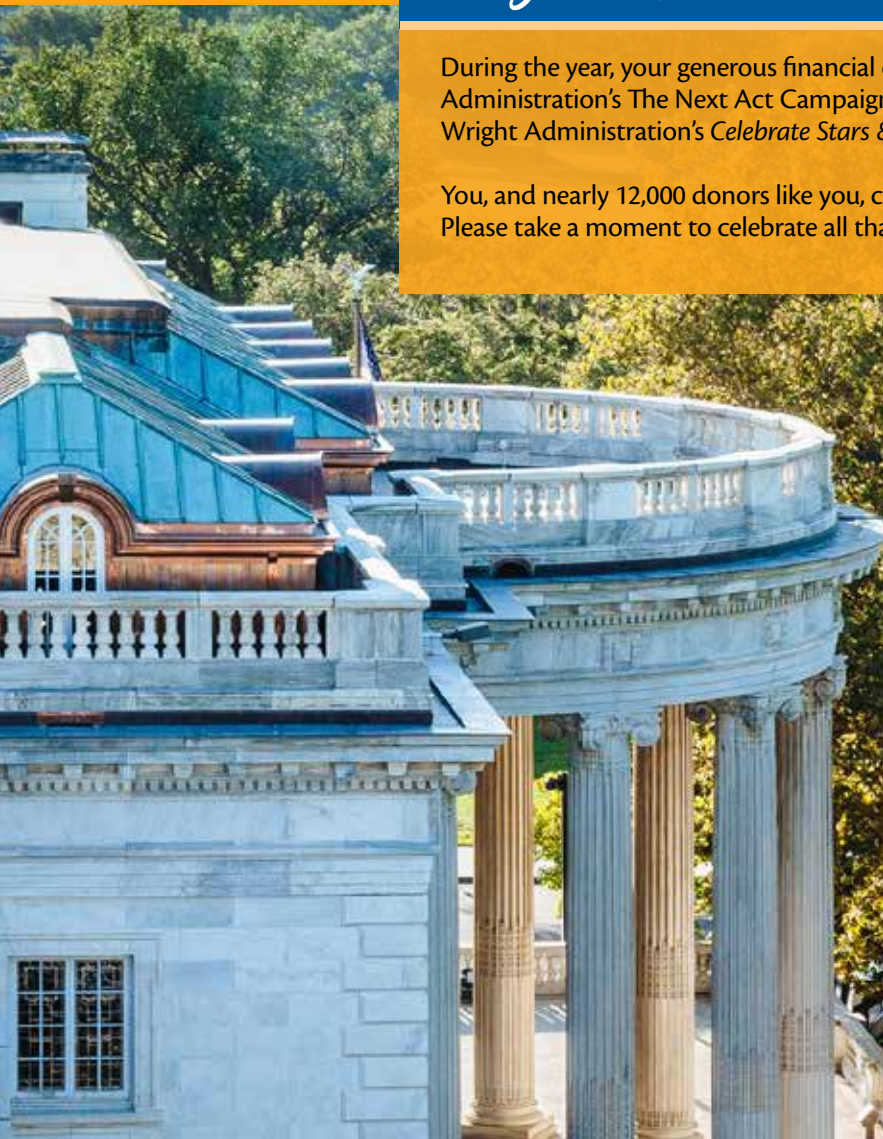
#### *Celebration Grants*

America 250! Celebration Grants are a gift to the nation — one community at a time! Your donations to the President General's project have already provided 119 chapters from around the country with \$500 Celebration Grants as we prepare for our nation's 250th birthday.



#### *Traveling Exhibits*

Contributions from you and other donors like you are making possible the design and creation of America 250! Traveling Exhibits to be deployed around the country to honor our Patriots, increase our membership and promote the visibility of the nation's upcoming 250th Anniversary.







## Fire Prevention

In 2022, your contributions made it possible to maintain fire protection systems critical for early fire detection and quick resolution protecting our treasured objects, artifacts, headquarters, and national landmarks.



## Honoring Our Patriots

Donations that you made in 2022 are helping to expand and maintain the website presence, DAR Honoring Our Patriots DAR microsite, which will be an integral educational element as DAR continues to prepare for our nation's upcoming 250th Anniversary. The public will look for resources like this and other DAR microsites like the Pathway of the Patriots and the E Pluribus Unum Educational Initiative as they seek out information about this important milestone.



## American Revolution Legacy Grants

Thanks to your commitment to education, DAR established American Revolution Legacy Grants. Up to twenty \$5,000 grants for PreK-16 teachers and administrators to support educational initiatives or student programs will be awarded in 2023.



## Safeguarding Digital Resources

Thanks to your donations to the General Fund, DAR continues to diligently store and protect our critical website data like the GRS, E-Membership and Library Resources from unauthorized users maintaining the level of protection necessary today. Your support is making this type of security possible.



## Project Patriot

Your commitment to our active-duty service men and women is evident through your ongoing generosity. Thanks to your donations, you provided supplies for Camp Atterbury Center in Indiana, Seymour Johnson AFB in North Carolina, Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Washington, DC, Ohio National Guard HHC1-145 RGT unit and Ohio National Guard 196 MPAD unit in Ohio, and Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.



## 85 Scholarships

Your support helped to provide 85 scholarships totaling more than \$250,000 to high school students, helping them to achieve their dreams of a college degree.



## American History

You made it possible to update monetary awards for the National winners of the American History Essay Contest at all levels.



# Beyond the Walls of our House Beautiful

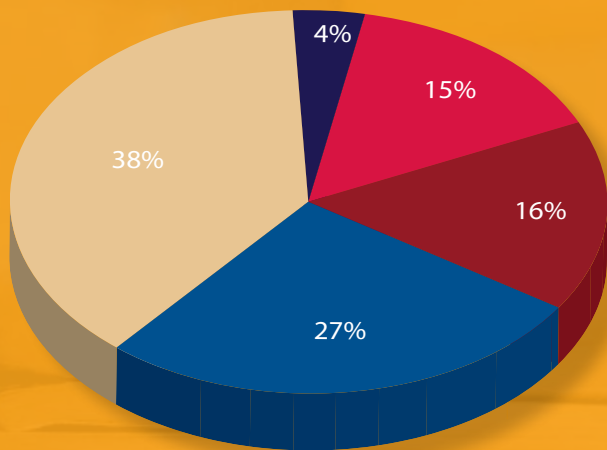
## YOUR PRESIDENT GENERAL'S PROJECT AT WORK, SPARKLING FOR ALL TO SEE!

As the first administration in many years to fund outside initiatives, the Wright Executives know how important the work of our Chapters, States and Partners are to DAR and to our nation. Thanks to your contributions in 2022, *you* have made it possible to fund many high profile historic projects beyond the walls of our House Beautiful.

As we celebrate the birth of our nation and honor the men and women who achieved American Independence, these essential donations will infuse Americans throughout our country with excitement as we prepare for the joyful celebration of the 250th Anniversary of America!

Your gifts to the President General's Project have had an immediate impact on DAR's work and have helped to address emerging and high-priority needs across the nation.

Through your financial commitment to advance the mission of DAR, *you* have touched countless lives. Thank you for your commitment to philanthropy.



## The Impact of Your DAR Philanthropy

BREAKDOWN OF FY2022 DONATIONS  
January 1, 2022 - December 31, 2022

- General Fund
- DAR Special Funds
- President General's Project (Denise Doring VanBuren)
- Guardian Trust Endowment
- President General's Project (Pamela Edwards Rouse Wright)



# Making a Difference THROUGHOUT OUR NATION

Thank you for making it possible to reach beyond our walls and support such worthy projects.



## Marian Anderson Museum

A leadership contribution to the Marian Anderson Museum and Historical Society to complete the repair and restoration of extensive flooding damage of this National Landmark.



## Women's Military Memorial

A leadership contribution to the Women's Military Memorial for the "Revolutionary War Founding of a Nation" Gallery renovation.



## Marquis de Lafayette

A donation to The American Friends of Lafayette to produce a second set of panels for the traveling exhibit titled "The Life and Legacy of The Marquis de Lafayette."



## Afro-American History

A sponsorship to the Afro-American Historic and Genealogical Society (AAHGS) 2022 Conference, "Bridging the American Colonial Divide: Resurrecting the Memory and Space of Black Patriots and History Makers."



## George Washington Foundation

A contribution to the George Washington Foundation supporting educational programming at George Washington's Ferry Farm and Historic Kenmore along with interpretive materials at both sites, and support of the archaeological excavation at Ferry Farm.



## The Photos in this Report Tell a Story!

The photos seen throughout this report tell *Your Donor Story*. Your contributions provide the ongoing resources necessary to ensure the continuation of our Society. Donor commitment to our Area of Greatest Need, the DAR General Fund, ensures that DAR will professionally preserve and present our vast collections and holdings for future generations. With your donations to the General Fund in 2022, you provided the nearly 150 staff members of the National Society the tools they need to advance our mission and care for our House Beautiful.

### *On the Front Cover*

**ENGAGEMENTS KEPT:** This beautifully hand painted cover of First Lady Caroline Scott Harrison's Engagement Calendar is part of a special collection housed in the NSDAR Archives. A note written in the Engagement Book by her daughter, Mary Harrison McKee, confirms that this book "hung on Mother's desk for a long time."

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**DAR MEMORIAL CONTINENTAL HALL:** Monumental two-story Doric columns, washed in morning light, welcome another day in the nation's capital. Famed architect Edward Pearce Casey designed DAR Memorial Continental Hall, which was to be built in what was then the rather marshy, unfashionable Foggy Bottom section of Washington, D.C. Today, the grand C Street Portico overlooks the Washington Monument and the Ellipse, a 52-acre focal point of President's Park and is a popular rental site for weddings, social events and major film shoots.

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**FASHIONS OF THE DAY:** Catherine Littlefield Greene, wife of Major General Nathanael Greene, Washington's most trusted general, owned the lovely red cloak. Many later military coats, like the blue one featured here, were saved by descendants who believed them to date from the Revolution. The items are shown in the museum costume storage room, where clothing artifacts are stored and prepared for each exhibit.

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**SANDS OF TIME:** Often viewed as a symbol of "the march of time," this type of iconic timekeeping piece has been around since the late Middle Ages. Made in England sometime between 1765 and 1800, this hourglass features "rust-colored" river sand, and is crafted from oak and glass.

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**DAYBREAK, THE START OF A NEW DAY:** The U.S. Flag at sunrise, as seen on a beautiful sunny morning, between the fluted marble columns of the South Portico of Memorial Continental Hall. With the Washington Monument visible across the street, this is a favorite venue for many weddings, meetings, movie scenes and special events throughout the year.

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**SUN-DRENCHED LAYLIGHT:** Sunshine spills into a stairwell in Memorial Continental Hall, courtesy of a restored lay light with its neoclassical metalwork design that features an oval ringed with husk swags, leaves and flowers. Though rooftop openings had been used to flood buildings with light since ancient Rome, it was the evolution of sheet metal supports that allowed for the practical adaptation of skylights that could better tolerate weather. Did you know that Thomas Jefferson incorporated 13 skylights into Monticello?

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