

WARM & COZY CAMPAIGN

YOU ASKED

What is the goal for our Meeting community?

A space that is as warm and welcoming as our fellowship! Air that is safe and healthy for all: warm in winter, cool in summer, and mold-free year-round. This project started three years ago during the Covid pandemic, seeking to help us all safely worship and gather in our beloved meeting house. It has taken years of hard work by many devoted members of our community, but we are nearly there!

What is the total project and how has it been funded so far?

The \$241,000 project has covered: **assessing** our building for air quality and mold issues; **remediating** those with new energy-efficient heat pump systems (including 11 mini-splits); **replacing/repairing** problem areas; and in spring 2024 **installing** 18 new windows in our meeting room. Phase one this past fall was \$162,722: \$72,450 given by 35 generous friends (individuals and couples); \$40,272 from our Charles Schwab capital improvements and general savings funds; and \$50,000 in interest income from our FFC education endowment fund.

What's next? And how will we get there?

Due to the generosity of these friends, phase one of the project is complete. Just recently, adults and children safely returned to the meeting house and shed our inside coats! **Now we need to get to the finish line with the goal of an additional \$82,000** to complete our payments for the HVAC system and pay for those long-overdue new meeting room windows this spring.

LVMM approved a three-part 'mini campaign:' 1) using a wonderful \$25,000 trust distribution; 2) **raising \$25,000 - \$57,000 from our Meeting community;** and 3) funding the remainder, as necessary, from the interest income of our general endowment fund. The more supportive our members and attenders can be, the less we will have to utilize endowment income. That will help us finish this project that benefits all now, and preserve endowment assets for future opportunities.

Did you know?

The last major capital campaign LVMM conducted was 30 years ago. That was to build the two lower level additions to our meeting house. In addition to raising immediate gifts for the campaign, we decided to establish an unrestricted endowment fund so that we could use the income for future needs. Shortly thereafter, the education endowment fund was established. These endowed funds have enabled us to support the current project and retain principle for future needs.

What are you asking me to do now?

Make a generous commitment that you can fulfill by the end of 2024. Please return the provided pleage form to Martha Christine, LVMM Clerk, by March 31, 2024.

More questions?

Contact Martha Christine at lvmmclerk@gmail.com, or any one of the campaign leadership team, including Rachel Osborn at osbornrb@aol.com.