



◆ UPDATES

PATRIOT PLAZA IS NEARING COMPLETION!



As the Legacy of Valor campaign comes to an end and Patriot Plaza construction nears completion, we approach the Dedication of Patriot Plaza to the community on Saturday, June 28! Please mark your calendars for this momentous occasion as we celebrate this first-ever partnership with the US Department of Veteran Affairs National Cemetery and unveil this community jewel.

The Patterson Foundation fully funded the design and build of Patriot Plaza and will be underwriting the dedication ceremony. The June 28 dedication will be a wonderful opportunity for the community to experience the reflective artwork that is incorporated throughout Patriot Plaza. Details will soon be released on how to obtain your free tickets to the dedication, so keep an eye out for those details to come! Learn more by visiting patriotplaza.thepatternsfoundation.org.

◆ WAYS TO CONNECT



Be sure to visit the newly redesigned [Patriot Plaza website](#). It is a comprehensive source of information about Patriot Plaza including its connection to The Patterson Foundation, which is fully funding the design, construction and art installations throughout the site.

If you haven't already, like [Legacy of Valor](#) on Facebook to get updates on the final days of construction at Patriot Plaza and ticket information for the Community Dedication.



◆ SEEN & HEARD



The Freedom. Front and Center. media campaign is underway! Be on the look out for the ads in local publications such as the Herald-Tribune, Sarasota Magazine, and others.

To the left is a sneak peek of a picture of one of the [mosaic spires](#) from Patriot Plaza that you might see in the ads!

◆ THE FINAL WORD

Congratulations to all organizations and donors that participated in the [2014 Giving Challenge](#)! Included in the over 400 local participating organizations were the 12 Legacy of Valor partners that also participated in the Unified Legacy of Valor campaign in 2013. This year's Giving Challenge was part of a Give Local America, with 115 communities participating nationwide. For Sarasota, it was a 24-hour Giving Challenge from noon May 6 until noon May 7. Through 18,799 donations, over \$3 million was raised making Sarasota the #1 among the communities participating!



[The Patterson Foundation](#) matched new or increased donations that were made to all nonprofits participating in the challenge up to 1,000 per donor per organization (up to \$450,000).

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◆ DID YOU KNOW?

Patriot Plaza will have...

Covered seating for 2,800 people

An 80-foot-tall stainless steel flagpole

20,800-square-foot glass covering comprised of 792 pieces of glass

52,000 square foot of pavers

344,000 pounds of steel

Seven areas of commissioned art featuring a variety of mediums such as glass mosaic & photo journalism

◆ UNIFIED LOV PARTNERS

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SARASOTA Inc.

As a partner of the Unified Legacy of Valor Opportunity in 2013, Habitat For Humanity South Sarasota County raised \$22,120 through 76 donations for their LoV Veterans Repair Projects. The Patterson Foundation matched the funds for a grand total of \$44,240 raised.

The LoV Veterans Repair Projects focus on outside renovation and repair projects to benefit qualified veterans throughout the region.

Click [here](#) to learn more about Habitat for Humanity Sarasota Inc. or to donate.

◆ SUBMIT IDEAS

Have an upcoming event honoring veterans, a way for the community to continue to connect with veteran related services or activities, or a special veteran-honoring project your organization is proud of that you want to share with the community through the newsletter? Please share by sending to:

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