BRISTOL MIDDLE PASSAGE PORT MARKER PROJECT

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The Final $7,500 — Help Us Complete the Memorial

And Help Preserve Its Legacy for Generations to Come

Dear Friends and Supporters,

On behalf of the **Bristol Middle Passage Port Marker Project**, we extend our deepest appreciation for your support and commitment to this important undertaking.

Because of people like you, what began as a vision to recognize Bristol's connection to the transatlantic slave trade has become a lasting memorial—one that acknowledges the men, women, and children whose lives were forever changed by the Middle Passage.

This sculpture is more than a work of art. **It is a place of remembrance, reflection, education, and truth.** It ensures that this difficult but important part of Bristol's history is acknowledged and that the lives connected to that history are not forgotten.

Today, we are asking for your help with one final step.

Complete the Memorial — The Final $7,500

We have a **remaining payment of $7,500 to artist Spencer Evans** for the sculpture.

Our immediate goal is simple and achievable: **raise the final $7,500 and fulfill our commitment to the artist.**

We invite you to help us close this final funding gap. A contribution of **$50, $100, $250, $500, $1,000—or any amount meaningful to you—will bring us closer to completing this commitment.**

For those who have already contributed, we recognize that we are asking you to consider supporting us again. We do so with genuine gratitude. **Your earlier generosity helped make this memorial possible.** We hope you will consider helping us cross the finish line.

Preserve the Memorial — Our Work Continues

Paying the remaining $7,500 will complete an important chapter, but our responsibility to this memorial does not end there.

A sculpture intended to stand for generations must also be cared for. Exposure to New England weather and the natural effects of time mean that the memorial will require **ongoing inspection, cleaning, preservation, and professional maintenance**.

We therefore ask for your continued partnership beyond this immediate campaign.

Our long-term goal is to establish sustainable support for the **preservation and maintenance of the sculpture**, ensuring that what this community has worked so hard to create remains dignified, protected, and accessible for future generations.

When you support this project, you are not simply helping maintain a physical structure. **You are helping preserve the history and the stories it represents.**

Two Ways to Make a Difference

When making your contribution, we invite you to designate your gift toward either:

COMPLETE **THE MEMORIAL**
Help us raise the remaining **$7,500** needed to fulfill our commitment to artist Spencer Evans.

PRESERVE **THE MEMORIAL**
Support the sculpture's **long-term inspection, cleaning, maintenance, and preservation** so that it can continue educating and inspiring future generations.

Gifts to either purpose are meaningful, and support for both will help us complete what we started while preparing responsibly for the future.

Help Us Carry This Memory Forward

There are moments when a community decides what history it will preserve and what stories it will carry forward.

This is one of those moments.

The men, women, and children whose experiences are remembered through this memorial cannot tell us their stories themselves. But together, we can make certain that their presence in our history is acknowledged and that their memory is not allowed to fade with time.

Imagine a child visiting this memorial years from now and asking, *"What happened here?"*

Because this community chose to remember, there will be an answer.

That is the legacy your contribution helps protect.

Please help us reach **The Final $7,500** and consider remaining a partner with us as we **preserve** this memorial for generations to come.

To everyone who has donated, volunteered, advocated, attended our events, or simply encouraged this effort along the way: **Thank You.** This memorial belongs to the community, and it exists because people believed this history deserved to be remembered.

To Donate:

- Visit our website and click on the Donate link to make a secure PayPal donation.
- Send us a check to the following address:

Bristol Middle Passage
P.O. Box 871
Bristol, RI 02809

- Open the QR code below with your phone to make a secure PayPal donation.

Unless otherwise indicated, a portion of each donation will be allocated to the goals of completing and preserving the memorial.

With sincere appreciation,

Board of Directors
Bristol Middle Passage Port Marker Project

COMPLETE THE MEMORIAL • PRESERVE THE MEMORIAL • CARRY THE MEMORY FORWARD!