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United States Marshals Museum Receives \$5-Million Matching Gift

FORT SMITH, Ark. (July 22, 2021) – The United States Marshals Museum has received an anonymous \$5-million matching gift, bringing it one step closer to reaching its capital campaign goal of \$12.5 million. The Museum plans to allocate eight million of the total funds raised to build out its galleries and provide visitors with a transformative storytelling experience.

“This pledge is the impetus we need to reach our capital campaign goal,” said Doug Babb, board chair of the United States Marshals Museum. “With this generous gift, we will soon move forward with plans to create an educational and immersive experience for our guests.”

Located along the banks of the Arkansas River in downtown Fort Smith, the facility’s star-shaped design represents the badge worn by courageous U.S. Marshals. Once complete, guests will have the opportunity to tour the building’s five immersive galleries to learn about the critical, ever-evolving role of the U.S. Marshals Service. They will also have the opportunity to pay tribute to the more than 350 U.S. Marshals killed in the line of duty in the Samuel M. Sicard Hall of Honor and gain a stronger understanding of the Constitution, the rule of law and civic literacy in the National Learning Center.

“The finish line is in sight,” said Laurice Hachem, board chair of the United States Marshals Museum Foundation, “These funds will allow us to fully share the deep and rich story of the U.S. Marshals Service.”

About the U.S. Marshals Museum

The United States Marshals Museum is a national Museum located on the riverfront in Fort Smith, Ark. The Museum will be a place of discourse, impact and experience and will tell the story of our nation’s oldest federal law enforcement agency from its establishment by President George Washington through current day. The Museum will honor the sacrifice of Marshals killed in the line of duty, as well as those who continue to place their lives in harm’s way, as they enforce the U.S. Constitution and rule of law. For more information, visit usmmuseum.org

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