

Town of Orleans

19 School Road Orleans
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FY24 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROJECT APPLICATION

Project Title: Renovation & Upgrades
Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place Submission Date: 11/18/22

Applicant (note if Town, individual or non-profit): Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place, Inc.

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 304
East Orleans, MA 02643

Co-Applicant, if any (note if Town, individual or non-profit):

Mailing Address:

Project Contact Person: Brian M. Sosner, President

Telephone: 617-283-1009 E-mail: Sosner.brian@gmail.com @brians@vetsparkacademyplace.org

Federal Tax Identification Number (if non-profit): 87-211589

Project purpose (Check all that apply):

Open Space Historic Preservation Community Housing
Recreation (Historic park and community gardens)

Project Location/Address: 2 Academy Place Orleans, MA 02653

Community Preservation Funding Request: \$422,000

Brief Project Summary, including Justification of Project Category Checked Above: See attached

Complete upgrade & renovation of this historically designated Veterans Mem. Park.
Restore and relocation of two war memorials. Purchase and replacement of an additional
three monuments with the names of over 450 Orleans Veteran residents.
Upgraded amenities include stone benches, inscribed brick patios, landscaped gardens &
new lighting, irrigation and electric.

Please attach the following information with all applications:

- **Detailed Narrative:** A detailed but succinct description of the project including goals and objectives, consistency with Community Preservation Act goals, compatibility with the Orleans Community Preservation Plan and the Orleans Comprehensive Long Range Plan, and relevance to the community and its needs.
- **Action Plan and Timeline:** Note the estimated dates for project commencement and completion and list (with an explanation) all action and steps that will be required for project completion, including any legal requirements or any impediments to implementation.

- **Financial Data:** Provide financial information for the project including detailed and total cost, additional revenue sources (public, private, in-kind, volunteer time and services), basis for the fiscal estimates and any other fiscal details currently available. Costs relating to historical rehabilitation/renovation should be clearly identified (if possible) compared to other costs, such as code compliance or accessibility improvements. Applicants are encouraged to submit more than one quotation from potential contractors.

GUIDELINES FOR PROJECT SUBMISSION

Please submit **two (2) complete paper copies** of the application and other materials to the Community Preservation Committee, c/o Town Administrator, Town of Orleans, 19 School Road, Orleans, MA 02653 by Nov. 21, 2022.

Applicants must also email complete applications in PDF to Jennifer Fountain, Administrative Assistant, at genuinejenfountain@gmail.com. A single PDF file which appends materials described in item 3 to the application form is preferred.

1. Applications must be received by Monday, November 21 to be considered for recommendation at the Annual Town Meeting.
2. Funds for approved projects will be available on July 1st following the Annual Town Meeting upon submission of appropriate invoices and accounting.
3. Applicants may include any maps, diagrams, and/or photographs pertaining to the project. Letters of Support for the project from community organizations or other sources may also be submitted. Clear, concise presentation of materials is appreciated by the Committee.
4. The Community Preservation Committee may require additional (or more detailed) information or further clarification to a submitted application.

(MGL, Chapter 44B, through the Community Preservation Coalition web site), the Orleans Community Preservation Plan and the Orleans Community Preservation Bylaw, copies of which are available on the Town Web site at <https://www.town.orleans.ma.us/community-preservation-committee>. Nonprofit organizations applying for historic preservation funds for historic structures should obtain a sample copy of an acceptable historic preservation deed restriction (available from the Town Administrator's office) since this type of document will be required. Applicants other than the Town of Orleans should also obtain a sample copy of the Agreement with the Town of Orleans that all successful nonprofit applicants will be required to sign. Please contact the Administrative Assistant by email with any questions.

6. Eligible projects must address one or more of the uses outlined in the Community Preservation Act, Sections 2 and 5 (2), as follows:

Open Space: Acquisition, creation, and preservation of land to protect existing water supply/aquifer areas, agricultural and forest land, coastal lands, frontage to inland water bodies, wildlife habitat, nature preserves and scenic vistas.

Community Housing: Acquisition, creation, preservation and support of community housing defined as housing for low and moderate income individuals and families, including low and moderate income senior housing. The Community Preservation Committee is required to recommend, wherever possible, the reuse of existing buildings or construction of new buildings on previously developed sites.

Historic Preservation: Acquisition, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of historic structures

and landscapes that have been determined by the local historic preservation commission to be significant in the history, archeology, architecture or culture of the Town or that are listed on the State Register of Historic Places. Plans for restoration and rehabilitation must comply with Secretary of the Interiors' standards.

Recreation: Acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation and restoration of land for active and passive recreational uses, including land for community gardens, trails and noncommercial youth and adult sports and the use of land as a park, playground or athletic field and for preservation and restoration of recreational facilities. (Community Preservation funds cannot be used for a stadium, gymnasium, or similar structures or for the acquisition of artificial turf for athletic fields.)

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(with Historical Commission registry summary)**

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(Contract executed with the Town of Orleans July 8, 2022)**

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**LANDSCAPE DESIGN MAP and SITE PLAN
(Prepared by David Hawk Landscape Architect)**

INITIAL ENDORSEMENTS OF SUPPORT

**APPLICANT INFORMATION
(Including 501c3 and BOD see
Website www.vetsparkacademyplace.org)**

**QUESTIONS
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COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROJECT APPLICATION FY24
Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place, Orleans MA
November 15, 2022

Description of the Project

The Town of Orleans (MA), in conjunction with its Veterans Day Committee and **Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place, Inc. a 501(c)(3)**, is seeking to finalize its engineering plans, budgets, and approvals to contract with a qualified General Contractor for purposes of renovation and rejuvenation of a centrally-located historic park known as "Veterans Park at Academy Place."

A timely Community Preservation Committee project grant will go toward the complete upgrade of the park, known for its impressive history going back to 1827 (see below) and a destination which honors the existing 439 residents of Orleans who served in theaters of war through the Korean conflict. In addition, donations and tributes for **any Veteran who has or is serving**, may be made to specifically contribute toward an amenity in the park, such as inscribed bricks and benches, landscaping, gardens, etc

The Park, owned by the Town of Orleans, is a small but lovely triangular "green space" at the key intersection of Route 28 and Main Street. This intersection today sits at the crossroad to downtown Orleans, famed Nauset Beach as well as the Town's Historic and Cultural districts. It sits at the key intersection to points south (Chatham) and east (Eastham) on the Lower Cape. Creation of a Historic District is pending by the Orleans Historical Commission for which this property is included.

Little has been done to the Park over the last 50 years other than add plaques to honor those Orleans residents who served in Vietnam and Korea to go along with the memorials from WWI and WWII. As a result, grants, sponsors and donations are sought from the 501(c)(3) to contribute to the project for amenities associated with its plan to go forward with significant renovation upgrades and amenities including new electrical, lighting, irrigation, walking paths, landscaping, stonework and inscribed brick patio areas. This would include needed seating and fully handicap accessibility which it currently is not. As to landscaping we are keeping seven existing fully established trees including the Town Christmas tree. Landscaping enhancements will include native plantings, shrubs and seated stone walls and benches for gathering, reflecting and enhanced overall usability and enjoyment of the space for the public, while at the same time further honoring Veterans and the history of the Park. Any contributor also has the opportunity to name an amenity within the park in honor of their Veteran family member, friend or neighbor who served or has served (*see attached plans and photos of existing conditions at the applicant's website www.vetsparkacademyplace.org*).

A significant part of the project is to relocate and restore the WWI and Civil War monuments, replace the existing Korea and Vietnam memorials , provide a War of 1812 marker (see below), and eventually provide new monuments for more recent theaters of war (Middle East and Afghanistan) provided by ongoing efforts of the 501(c)(3) and Veterans Committee.

Veterans Memorial Park immediately abuts an Environmental Justice population, and with its renovation seeks to improve its green space while valuing and respecting all military service. Once complete the Veterans and Parks committee, and local 501(c)(3) will maintain ongoing education highlighting our “Patriots in The Park”, veteran service, the historic aspects of the Park as well as its greenery and plantings. Through a program grant we anticipate researching, updating and linking key military and life aspects of these Veterans into our 501(c)(3) site for an interactive experience in the park, and for research and community programs.

Recognizing significant history of Academy Place Park and of Orleans

The Park was the site of the Rock Harbor Academy, a private school established in 1827 for Seamen and Public school teachers. The school was discontinued and the building moved in the 1850’s. Approximately 25 years later, David Snow bequeathed funds to found a public library. The Town chose this site and built what became the Snow Library which functioned until February 1952, when it moved to its present site across the street at the Village Green. The Town then converted the property to Veterans Memorial Park and built the World War II Memorial in 1954.

The renovation and upgrade of this Park will also provide for Orleans’ recognition as the only town in the United States to incur attack in two theaters of war. During the War of 1812, Orleans repelled a British invasion (in 1814) and is the only town in the United States attacked by Germans in World War I. This incursion occurred at Nauset Beach in 1918. This grant and budget will serve to highlight this significant history.

CPC grants and 501(c)(3) donations obtained

Initial site renderings were utilized to obtain initial historical preservation grants from the Orleans Community Preservation Committee (CPC) in amounts approximating \$35,000. Via these grants, the Town of Orleans will cover the costs of comprehensive architectural design services related to the Park and its rejuvenation.

As previously mentioned, Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place, Inc. a local 501(c)(3), formed at the end of 2021, will be seeking private grants, corporate sponsors and donors for resources to fund amenities in the park including inscribed brick patios, procurement and engraving of new memorials, seating and landscaping as well as to support other programs and education serving Veterans and their families. Any additional donations toward the Park will be gifted to the community and earmarked for the project as described above.

Mail body: Veterans Memorial Park at Academy place: Historical significance designations

Attachment to CPC grant application .

With respect to historical significance:

The Korean and Vietnam War Monument, the World War I Monument, and the World War II Monument are all listed on the Orleans Historic Properties Inventory. A Form C for each is on file with the Massachusetts Historical Commission.

The Historical Commission has recognized the historical significance of previous uses of the land at Academy Place as the site of Rock Harbor Academy and Snow Library, and has placed a historical marker at the site to that effect.

Academy Place is included as a contributing property in a proposed Historic District for Main St., East Orleans

From: brian Sosner sosner.brian@gmail.com
Subject: Veterans Park Action Plan and Timeline
Date: Nov 17, 2022 at 6:13:14 PM
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Academy Place Inc Brian Sosner President
brians@vetsparkacademyplace.org

The following is the current action plan and timeline for park development and completion.

- Applicant submission of CPC historical grant Nov 2022 and followup discussions
- Completion of all engineered bid-ready drawings by GHD 12/31/22
- Orleans /GHD RFP solicitation Jan- Feb 2023
- Bid & GC award March 2023
- CPC grant award March- April 2023
- Town Meeting vote to approve the CPC grant and Veteran Mem. Park Academy Place approval vote for Town project completion - May 2023
- Town contract execution .
- Ribbon-cutting & break ground. May 2023 (Memorial Day)
- CPC funds available July 1st. All funds from applicant's sources (grants , donors , sponsors to reimburse Town progress.

Engineers Estimate of Probable Construction Costs
 Town of Orleans
 Veteran's Park

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Item	Cost
Mobilization	5% Percentage
Record Drawings	\$ 5,000 Lump Sum
Concrete Sidewalk	\$ 500 Square Yard
Granite Curb	\$ 55 Linear Feet
Brick Sidewalk	\$ 300 Square Yard
Relocate Memorial	\$ 5,000 Each
New Memorial	\$ 50,000 Each
New Flagpole	\$ 2,000 Each
New Pedestrian Bench	\$ 3,500 Each
Loam and Seed	\$ 5 Square Foot
Irrigation	\$ 25,000 Lump Sum
Electrical Service	\$ 25,000 Lump Sum

Item #	Description	Quantity	Units	Unit Cost	Item Cost	Group Subtotal
VETERAN'S PARK						\$ 431,000
1	Mobilization	1	Pct	5%	\$ 20,523.25	
2	Record Drawings	1	LS	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	
3	Concrete Sidewalk	250	SY	\$ 500	\$ 125,000	
4	Granite Curb	155	LF	\$ 55	\$ 8,525	
6	Brick Sidewalk	83	SY	\$ 300	\$ 24,900	
7	Restoration of WWI, Civil War	2	EA	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	
8	Restore Coast Guard Bell	1	EA	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,500	
9	Relocate Memorials	3	EA	\$ 5,000	\$ 15,000	
10	New Vietnam, Korea and 1812 Memorials	3	EA	\$ 20,000	\$ 60,000	
11	Memorial Footings	7	EA	\$ 2,500	\$ 17,500	
12	New Flagpole	1	EA	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	
13	Landscaping, Plantings	1	LS	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	
14	New Pedestrian Bench granite/bluestone	7	EA	\$ 3,500	\$ 24,500	
15	Loam and Seed	9108	SF	\$ 5	\$ 45,540	
16	Irrigation	1	LS	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	
17	Electrical Service	1	LS	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	

Subtotal	\$	431,000
Contingency	20% \$	86,000
Estimated Construction Cost	\$	517,000

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DETAILED TOTAL GHD BUDGET \$517,000

Less Basic Infrastructure:

Mobilization 20,000

Irrigation 25,000

Electrical 25,000

Pro rata loam, seed, grading, prep 10,000

Pro rata contingency 15,000

FUNDING REQUEST PER APPLICATION \$422,000

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

(Including 501c3 and BOD see

Website www.vetsparkacademyplace.org

QUESTIONS

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Dear Brian,

On behalf of the Cape Cod 5 Foundation, I am pleased to inform you that we have approved a grant in the amount of \$ _____ to support Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place's renovations.

Our Community Engagement team will be contacting you soon to provide a high-resolution logo and arrange payment via an ACH transaction.

We continue to evaluate our local nonprofit ecosystem each year to help us identify which organizations and programs are creating the greatest impact; collaborating with others and finding creative solutions. This funding is a reflection of the great work you and your team are doing every day.

We look forward to following up later this year to learn more about how this grant supported your efforts, what the outcomes were and what future projects you may be planning. Thank you for all that you do to support our shared community.

Sincerely,

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Robert A. Talerman
Chair and President, Cape Cod 5 Foundation

CC: Matt Burke, Chief Executive Officer, Cape Cod 5



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November 15, 2022

Community Preservation Committee
Town of Orleans
19 School Street
Orleans, MA 02653

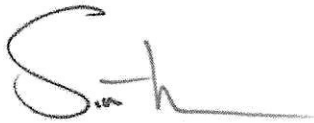
To Whom it my concern,

I am pleased to submit this letter supporting the application for funding by The Board of Directors of the Veterans Memorial Park. Prior to writing this letter, I researched the importance of war memorials and came across this excerpt that concisely expresses the significance of Veterans Memorial Park.


“memorials are important because they act as historical touchstones. They link the past to the present and enable people to remember and respect the sacrifice of those who died, fought, participated or were affected by conflict(s). Memorials can be an important source of information for young people in understanding the sacrifices made by past generations. This will in turn ensure memorials are cared for in the future...” “The sacrifices made by so many for freedom needs to be remembered and war memorials play a vital role in ensuring that continues.”


Veterans Memorial Park not only provides the green space for Memorial & Veterans Day celebrations, but also is a focal point for remembrance each and every day. I encourage the CPC to support application for funding to assist the Board of Directors of the Veterans Memorial Park in achieving their mission for rejuvenation, enhancement and maintenance of Veterans Memorial Park at Academy Place.


Respectfully submitted,



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