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We're excited to share the vision, plan, and progress for revitalizing our Capital area community — and to introduce the campaign to acquire property and facilities that will help our community grow and thrive.

Our team has been developing the vision, details, and fundraising plan for this initiative. Recently, Emily Rissanen and Gabriel Machitelli led a Sunday service that inspired meaningful input from dozens of members.



From that discussion, Emily compiled everyone's sticky-note ideas into a summary document capturing our shared hopes and ideas for the future. We hope you find it inspiring: [Community Vision Summary](#)

## Voices from the Community

Inspired by this input, several team members recorded short videos sharing their personal visions for a new community home in Maryland. Watch them here: [Video Playlist](#)

We'd love for you to join in! If you feel inspired, record a short video sharing your vision and send it to Rev. Randy Francis at [rfrancis@unification.org](mailto:rfrancis@unification.org). He will upload it to our YouTube page so others can hear your message.

## The Financial Plan

Here's where we stand and where we're going:



All funds — including the seed money and HQ's matching grant — will be held in a separate, safeguarded account for the sole purpose of acquiring and establishing a wonderful and central location for our Maryland, DC and some VA community members to use. None of these funds will be used for any other projects.

## How You Can Help

Here are a few ways you can get involved right now:

1. Study the [Vision Document](#).
2. Share your ideas using this short form: [Submit Your Thoughts](#).
3. Record a video sharing your vision and send it to [rfrancis@unification.org](mailto:rfrancis@unification.org).
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5. Offer your support — reply to this email if you'd like to help our team directly.
6. Donate if you're ready to support the campaign: [Give Here](#).

Together, we can build a new home for our entire community — a space that reflects our shared faith, love, and vision for the future.

With gratitude,

Dr. Achille Acolatse, Rev. Kenji Miyako, Emily Rissanen,  
Gabby Marchitelli, Highmy Her, Daniel Hess, Rev. Randy  
Francis, Markus Hochmuth, Henri Schauffler

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# **Our Church Community Vision**

A collective dream to build a vibrant, loving, and faith-filled community — a home where all generations experience God's love together.

## **1. Deepening Faith & Spiritual Life**

- Families connecting in heart with Heavenly Parent and True Parents
- Expanded prayer spaces and vigils (Cheon Shim Won)
- A church that is the body of Christ, living expression of God's love
- Community understanding True Parents and coming to Christ
- Beautiful spiritual space filled with prayer and worship
- Peace Embassy and Palace of God vision

## **2. Living God's Love & Building Unity**

- A place filled with love, peace, and harmony
- No one left behind; restored relationships and healing
- Open communication, honesty, and respect
- Welcoming environment with no judgment
- Inclusive community where everyone can share their uniqueness
- Place where people never want to leave because they feel loved

## **3. Empowering the Next Generation**

- Youth and young adults leading with purpose
- Vibrant youth groups and intergenerational activities
- Schools and programs supporting blessed families
- Dorms for missionaries and young adults
- Career counseling, workshops, and international youth trips
- Happy families raising children together in faith

## **4. Serving Others & Strengthening Community**

- Feeding the homeless and supporting shelters
- Volunteer culture — everyone contributes their talents
- Mission projects such as wells in Africa
- Creating senior and hobby groups to connect generations
- Witnessing to grow the community and strengthen fellowship
- Senior housing to care for health and wellbeing

## **5. Facilities & Infrastructure**

- New church building and campus with space for worship and gatherings
- Bright, natural-light sanctuary and beautiful surroundings
- Large kitchen, clean facilities, and accessible spaces
- Gardens, trees, flowers, and playgrounds for families
- Retreat center and multipurpose spaces for learning and joy
- Excellent location symbolizing God's presence in the community
- Basketball, volleyball, and soccer facilities for fellowship
- Fitness gym and swimming pool for all ages
- Outdoor recreation — mountain climbs, fields, and nature walks
- Spaces that encourage health, joy, and togetherness

## **6. Celebrating Creativity & Culture**

- Professional music studios and band rooms
- Live worship music and arts workshops
- Cafés and community spaces for fellowship
- Cooking classes and creative gatherings
- Fire pit, ropes course, and joyful team-building activities
- A lively, welcoming atmosphere where the lights are always on

## **7. Growing in Leadership & Stewardship**

- Devoted pastoral leadership rooted in vision
- Strong organization and clear structure
- Financial health and sustainability — no money problems
- Community businesses (cafés, daycare) supporting church growth
- More volunteers and united teamwork
- Longevity, stability, and continuous expansion of God's house



# Maryland Community Engagement

Let's discuss reviving our Maryland True Parents' Holy Community.

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Heavenly Parents' Holy Community

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