

SPACE TO AMPLIFY OUR IMPACT

The Anthony Museum's ability to grow and deliver its mission is constrained by its current campus. We need:



1 Space for our visitors

People make pilgrimages to be inspired by 17 Madison Street, Susan B. Anthony's home and headquarters.

But by fire code, only 35 visitors can be in the National Historic Landmark house at one time. We often have to tell tour operators that we are "sold out." Our school field trips sell out months in advance. We can only accommodate one class at a time, rather than an entire grade level. Our parking lot only holds eight cars, and on-street parking in the urban neighborhood is very limited.

The new facility will increase our annual capacity from 13,000 to over 100,000 with ample off-street parking.

3 Space for our invaluable permanent collection

The long-term care of our invaluable collection compels us to provide adequate and appropriate space. We have a collection of Susan B. Anthony's significant, personal artifacts, including her handwritten letters.

The current physical space for the archives and objects is inadequate. They are currently stored in our 19th century brick-and-wood frame buildings, which cannot be modified to meet museum standards for environmental controls, security, and fire resistance without compromising these historic structures.

The new facility incorporates museum-quality environmental controls, security improvements, adequate space, and protection from disaster (natural and man-made). It also adds a library for research, and an area for object conservation, processing, and digitization.

2 Space to interpret the relevance of the story

Women's rights. Voting rights. Pay equity. Human trafficking. Access to education. Substance abuse. Abolition. Nursing as a profession. The right to make decisions about one's own body. Many people know Susan as a voting rights activist, but few know all the causes she upheld.

These issues are integral to Susan B. Anthony's life and work. They are relevant to our lives and work today, and there is so much more to tell!

Her story also reveals people, forces, and strategies that blocked progress in her time. From her skills, experience, and example, we can learn more about how to organize for social change in our own time.

The new interpretive center explores her life and work so that all may be inspired to work for liberty, equality, and justice for all humanity.

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