



Dear Supporter:

As someone who is in a leadership position in your organization, company or the community, I know that you're pressed for time. Please, give me your full attention for the next 30 seconds as you read this letter? For the past three years the Unified Committee for Afro-American Contributions (UCAC) has been working aggressively and raising funds to pursue an historical project to educate the citizenry and preserve local, state and national history by erecting a memorial monument to honor United States Colored Troops (USCT). The monument will recognize Congressional Medal of Honor recipients and all Union soldiers and sailors from St. Mary's County who served during the Civil War. UCAC is working in partnership with the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW). Together we will bring the lives of these American heroes to the attention of the public, so that their sacrifices will never be forgotten.

UCAC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to *increase understanding of and to foster African American contributions to the history and development of St. Mary's County*. History tells us that during the Civil War over 600 slaves were recruited as USCT to fight with the Union to end slavery in the United States. This history is a vital part of our local heritage. This project will create a legacy which will serve to educate the community and preserve our history for future generations. The monument will be located in John G. Lancaster Park in Lexington Park, MD.

We are proud that St. Mary's County produced two USCT recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Pvt. William H. Barnes and Sgt. James H. Harris. These sons of St. Mary's County were awarded the Medal of Honor for their gallantry in the Battle of Chaffin's Farm also known as the Battle of New Market Heights (Sept. 1864) in Varina, Henrico County, Virginia.

During our fundraising campaigns many have contributed to this cause. However, we still need money to complete this historic project. We need your help. During our summer/fall 2011 fundraising campaign, UCAC would like to see you, your company, your organization, your church, family and friends listed on our donor list for the USCT Memorial Monument. This will show your appreciation of our county's history as well as inform our community that your money helped to build this historic monument.

Since we are an established 501C3 organization, donations are tax deductible and not only that, by contributing you will also be receiving positive public relations in the community. I urge you to become a part of this great event by having your name or your company's or organization's name listed as contributors in our dedication book.

Please help by sending your donation within the next 30 days. \$125 gets you to the Bronze level donor or you may choose to make a larger donation to reach the Silver or Gold donor level. Any donation you send will be warmly received and greatly appreciated!

We hope to hear from you, and thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Nathaniel Scroggins,

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President, UCAC

Return the portion below:

Summer/Fall 2011 Fundraising Campaign

**United States Colored Troops Memorial Monument
Donor Program**

Level 1 (Bronze) \$125.00 plus

Level 2 (Silver) \$250.00 plus

Level 3 (Gold) \$500.00 plus

Donor Program

(UCAC 501 (c) (3) Tax Deductible Organization)

Name/Organization

Telephone No. _____ e-mail _____

Address

Donor: Level 1 \$ _____ Level 2 \$ _____ Level 3 \$ _____

Other \$ _____

Make checks payable to: USCT Memorial Monument Fund

Forward donations to:

USCT Memorial Monument Committee Fund

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