

# Embassy of Tribal Nations

Establishing a Permanent Home For  
National Congress of American Indians  
& Tribal Organizations





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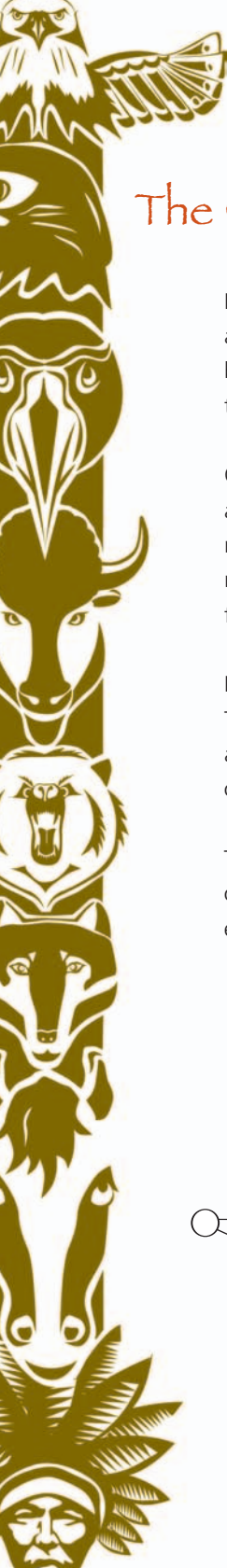


## Challenge

NCAI has long envisioned establishing an “Embassy of Tribal Nations” and creating a permanent home for the tribes in Washington, D.C. Rental rates are continuing to escalate in the Washington, D.C. area and the annual operating costs for NCAI to lease a building are rising.

Now is the time to make a sound financial decision and boldly move forward to purchase our own building – our own home – in the nation’s Capitol. Now is the time for our family of tribal governments to be recognized and housed in a permanent facility. Now is the time to finally establish our Embassy of Tribal Nations.

This is a tremendous challenge and we need your help. We must look to the future and invest soundly and wisely now.



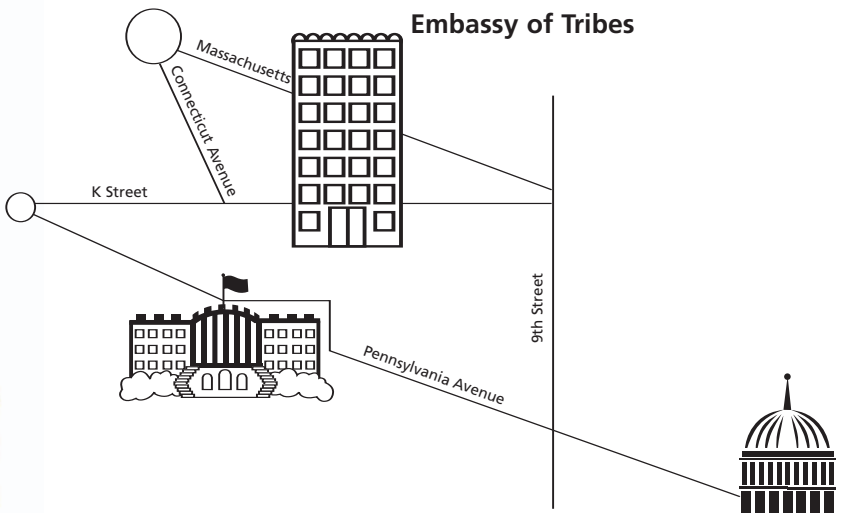
# The Capital Campaign - Our Goal

In 2004, following a professional feasibility analysis, the NCAI Board made an important decision to embark on a Capital Campaign to purchase a building for NCAI. The Board has set a goal of raising \$12 million over the next 3 years.

Over the past several years, NCAI has strengthened its ability to effectively address and influence the many threatening issues facing our tribal governments and Indian communities. We are in a stable financial position and are now in a position to make the commitment to secure and own a building for our operations.

NCAI has established a separate Capital Campaign Reserve Fund account. The funds raised will be used to purchase a building once we reach an initial amount of **\$2 million**. Our goal is to raise **\$12 million** to retire the debt over the 3-year period.

The Campaign will receive donations from tribes, regional and national tribal organizations, foundations, corporations, supportive businesses and tribal enterprises.



# The New Facility - Finding our Home

The strength of today's commercial real estate market in Washington, D.C., combined with appreciating property values, provide us an excellent opportunity to purchase our own building. NCAI has been working with a well-known property management company in Washington, D.C. for many years and has previewed several buildings which would meet our needs.

We are targeting buildings located in the Dupont Circle, K Street and L Street regions of Washington, D.C. These areas provide excellent access to strategic parts of the District and immediate proximity to other nationally recognized non-profit organizations.

## Why Indian Country Should Care

Owning a home in Washington, D.C. will benefit NCAI and Indian tribes in many ways, including:

- Enhancing the presence of tribal sovereign nations in Washington D.C.
- Increasing public awareness of NCAI and tribal governments
- Improving the efficiency and work environment of NCAI operations and activities
- Housing and better coordinating with our sister organizations
- Increasing the value, long-term equity and stability of NCAI assets
- Solidifying long-term investment and savings for NCAI

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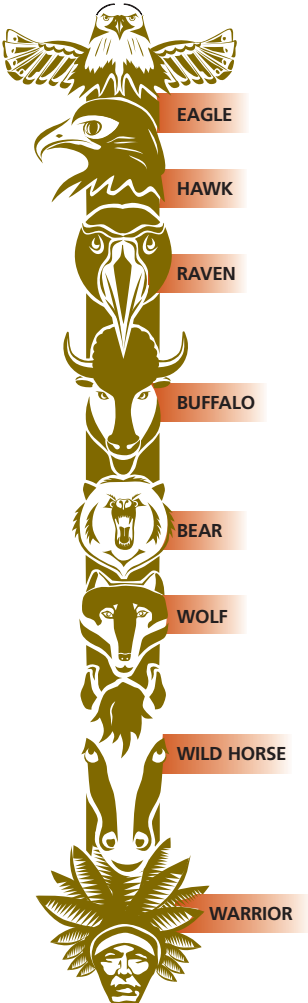
Let's make NCAI a true Embassy of Nations. With our permanent centrally located home in Washington, D.C., the tribes will establish themselves prominently and proudly in the international family of governments.

# Making the Vision a Reality: How You Can Assist!

NCAI received enthusiastic support from the membership for this important endeavor during our 2004 Annual Session. However, we have a long way to go in reaching our goal of \$12 million.

NCAI has established the following fund categories and amounts for your consideration:

Major Gifts	
EAGLE .....	\$1,000,000 +
HAWK .....	\$ 500,000
RAVEN .....	\$ 250,000
Sponsor Gifts	
BUFFALO .....	\$100,000
BEAR .....	\$ 50,000
WOLF .....	\$ 25,000
WILD HORSE .....	\$ 10,000
WARRIORS .....	Up to \$10,000



You can make a difference – regardless of the amount of your donation. Any financial contribution will help strengthen our national organization and tribal influence. We will appropriately recognize all those who contribute. The Board will also provide special recognition to those major gift donors.

### Will you be the first “EAGLE” donation of \$1 million?

As Indian Country’s collective voice in Washington for hundreds of years to come, we owe it to future generations to make sound financial decisions today. Thank you for your donation!

Let's Make Our Founding Members' Dream



Our Vision

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