



# PRESIDENT'S COUNCIL

The President's Council is a **community of philanthropic leaders** dedicated to the National Constitution Center's vital mission to **increase awareness and understanding of the U.S. Constitution.**

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Through their generous financial support and intellectual contributions, Council members play a pivotal role in sustaining and advancing the National Constitution Center's work to inspire learners of all ages to explore the Constitution and its core values and promote civil dialogue for all.

## OUR COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE:

- **Dedicated to civic engagement** and deeply committed to enriching the civic life of their communities.
- Passionate **advocates for advancing nonpartisan education** and fostering a deeper understanding of the U.S. Constitution.
- Our **valued advisors** who provide insights and guidance to the Center's leadership team.



# RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS

President's Council members generously contribute \$10,000, \$25,000, \$50,000, or more annually to support the Center's operations or major initiatives. As Council members become more deeply engaged with our programs and plans, we encourage them to consider multi-year leadership gifts in the six-to-seven-figure range, helping to expand strategic initiatives and amplify the Center's impact.

For those who choose to engage, Council members play an instrumental role in advancing the Center's mission through:

- **Fostering Educational Connections:** Council members help bridge the Center's educational outreach efforts with students, teachers, parents, and educational leaders at local, state, and national levels, advancing the Center's constitutional education goals nationwide.
- **Showcasing Our Impact:** Council members introduce and highlight the Center's mission to citizens and business leaders across the country. By facilitating live or virtual programs, discussions at local venues, and intimate salon-style dinners, they amplify the Center's message and inspire action.
- **Expanding Networks:** Council members broaden the Center's reach, strengthening connections with key audiences and inspiring a new generation of informed citizens. They also facilitate introductions to individuals who share a commitment to our mission and may be interested in the President's Council or other engagement opportunities.
- **Enriching Decision-Making:** Drawing from their expertise across various fields, Council members provide valuable insights that strengthen the Center's strategic decision-making, solidifying its position as the leader in nonpartisan constitutional education and civil debate.



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## President's Council Retreat

To dive deeper into our mission and strategic priorities, Council members are invited to join our Board of Trustees annually in February at the National Constitution Center's signature **President's Council Retreat**. This exclusive event brings together a distinguished group of leaders from across the ideological spectrum to discuss the constitutional issues at the heart of American life. The retreat convenes policymakers, judges, constitutional scholars, historians, journalists, and civic and business leaders to discuss the most important constitutional questions surrounding our nation's institutions. Previous speakers have included Jeb Bush, Jeh Johnson, George Will, David Brooks, Ruth Marcus, Jonathan Eig, David Blight, Stacy Schiff, Erwin Chemerinsky, David French, Sarah Isgur, Yuval Levin, Jamelle Bouie, Judge James C. Ho, and Judge Neomi Rao.

# ACTIVITIES AND ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## **President's Council Co-Chairs—\$50,000 and higher annually**

All opportunities available to President's Council Founders, plus:

- Private strategic briefings by NCC President and CEO and senior leadership

## **President's Council Founders—\$25,000 annually**

All opportunities available to President's Council Members, plus:

- Guaranteed invitation in the upcoming year to the Center's annual exclusive President's Council Retreat
- VIP invitation to the Center's other premier gatherings, such as the launch of new initiatives or exhibits or special events surrounding our Board of Trustees meetings that feature notable national leaders. Previous events have included a private guided tour of George Washington's Mount Vernon estate and rare books collection, dinner at the U.S. Supreme Court, and a special dedication ceremony for the installation of the First Amendment Tablet at the Center.
- Opportunity to host an event with NCC President and CEO Jeffrey Rosen
- Private behind-the-scenes tour, upon request, and access to the Center's exhibits
- Periodic briefings with the Center's senior leadership team

## **President's Council Members—\$10,000 annually**

- Invitation (on a space-available basis) to the Center's annual exclusive President's Council Retreat
- VIP invitation to the annual Liberty Medal award celebration, with the opportunity to engage with luminary Liberty Medal awardees, who in the past have included Nelson Mandela, Malala Yousafzai, Colin Powell, Stephen Spielberg, the Dalai Lama, Muhammad Ali, John McCain, John Lewis, Anthony Kennedy, and Ruth Bader Ginsburg
- Invitation to intimate annual dinner with members of the Center's leadership
- Monthly President's Council email update with insider information, including important Center initiatives, events, and developments
- VIP invitations to special programs and events, including quarterly interactive seminars on primary texts and core Supreme Court decisions led by NCC President and CEO Jeffrey Rosen
- Recognition in the Center's Annual Report and President's Council materials (unless gift is anonymous)

*To learn more about the Center's President's Council, please reach out to **Lauren Sylling**, vice president of strategy and development, at [lsylling@constitutioncenter.org](mailto:lsylling@constitutioncenter.org).*

*The Center also has a Corporate Partnership Program that offers opportunities for firms to support high impact events like our Liberty Medal ceremony, America's Town Hall discussions, and civic holidays. To learn more, please reach out to **Lauren Sylling** at [lsylling@constitutioncenter.org](mailto:lsylling@constitutioncenter.org).*

## President's Council Members

Below is the list of President's Council members who have agreed to be publicly recognized. We thank them and those who wish to remain anonymous for their support of the National Constitution Center.

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*As of April 2025*

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# ABOUT THE NCC

The National Constitution Center is America's leading platform for constitutional education and debate, fulfilling its congressional charter to increase awareness and understanding of the U.S. Constitution among the American people on a nonpartisan basis.

Our vision continues to be supported by the following three goals to significantly enhance the Center's reach and impact at this crucial time in our history when civic education and civil dialogue are more needed than ever and as we approach America's 250th birthday in 2026:

- **Develop and disseminate new core educational products;**
- **Model civil dialogue through convenings across America; and**
- **Lead the way for a high visibility, high impact commemoration in Philadelphia, the birthplace of the Declaration of Independence and Constitution.**

Throughout each of these core pillars, the Center will form strategic partnerships and lead changemaking coalitions to help scale our efforts to reach learners of all ages across the country.

**Learn more about the National Constitution Center  
at [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).**