NEW JAIN CENTER
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Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington is proud to present an opportunity to build the future that we envision together for our upcoming generations of Jains in North America.

Jain Society of Metropolitan Washington was established in 1980 by a handful of Jain families. These visionaries were passionate about making sure that Jainism and its principles and practices remain central in their lives, and the lives of their children. The Sangh in 1989 sowed the seeds of Jainism, by purchasing a house and converting it to a small Jain Center with Dehrasar.

Over the past three decades these seeds have blossomed into a strong and leading Jain community with a membership of over 650 families. Our Jain Pathshala, laying the foundation for future generations, has grown to over 150 children. In the spirit of unity, the small Jain center has truly been a center of all Jain sects, providing a home for activities of learning through Pravachan, Swadhyay and practicing rituals such as Pooja, Aarti, and Jaap etc.

With the large increase in the number of Jain families and Dharmic activities throughout the year, we have outgrown our current facility. We had to move Pathshala to a nearby public school to rent sufficient classrooms. Our Sangh’s major events such as Mahavir Janma Kalyanak and Paryushan activities also require renting various other facilities.

Furthermore, situated in Washington D.C., the capital of the United States, perhaps the political capital of the world, our Jain Center draws the attention of the nation’s religious and elected leaders as well as visitors from around the globe. It has become critical to establish a Shikharbandhi Dehrasar and state of the art Jain Center to host all these activities and more throughout the year.

Our goals are to build:
- Shikharbandhi Shwetambar Shankheshwar Parshwanath Temple
- Shikharbandhi Digambar Adinath Temple
- Sthanak
- Upashray
- Education Center with Classrooms, Library and more
- Kitchen, Dining and Multi-purpose Hall

We are building an all-inclusive 24,000 sq. ft. Jain Center building connected to a 6,000 sq. ft. temple complex. Our goal is very ambitious, equaled only by the magnitude of our dreams. The hopes and aspirations of our community will move your hearts to give generously in support of this initiative!
Anjan Shalaka Pratishthit Tirthankar Bhagwan Murtis in the Ghabhara

Shankheshwar Parshwanath Bhagwan-Mool Nayak
Adeshwar Bhagwan
Neminath Bhagwan

Murtis of Tirthankar Bhagwan, Gandhar, Dev and Devi outside the Ghabhara

Chandraprabhu Bhagwan
Mahavir Swami Bhagwan
Gautam Swami
Padmavati Devi
Chakreshwari Devi
Ghantakaran Mahavir
Jindatta Kushalsuriji

Shantinath Bhagwan
Simandhar Swami Bhagwan
Parshwa Yaksh
Nirvani Devi
Saraswati Devi
Manibhadra Veer
Acharya Hemchandracarya

Patt in the Rang Mandap

Shatrunjay   Girnar   Samet Shikhar   Pavapuri
Pran-Pratishthit Murtis of Tirthankar Bhagwan in Ghabhara

Adinath Bhagwan –Mool Nayak
Parshwanath Bhagwan Mahavir Swami Bhagwan

Tirthankar, Bhagwan Dev, Devi and Acharya Maharaj Murtis outside Ghabhara

Shantinath Bhagwan Naminath Bhagwan
Bharat Bhagwan Bahubali Bhagwan
Chakreshwari Devi Padmavati Devi
Kshetrapalji Dev Brahma Dev

Acharya Kundakunda

Patt in the Rang Mandap

Ashtapad Samosaran
Navkar Mantra Patt
Uvasaggaharam Patt       Manglik Patt
32 Agams

The Sthanak will provide a place for Samayik, Swadhyay, Jaap and Dhyan.

The Upashray will serve as an area for Pravachan, Poojas, Vidhans and other programs.
The Knowledge Center will be a state-of-the-art center for sharing and learning Jain religion.

With exhibits from around the world, interactive displays, a library with digital and print content, a high-tech office, conference center, and Pathshala classrooms with the latest technology, Jains and other visitors will be able to learn and propagate Jainism locally and internationally.