

#### Welcome!

# Public Meeting for Thomas Jefferson Memorial Targeted Accessibility Improvement Program



6:30 – 7:00 PM	Gathering, Sign-In, Review Meeting Materials
7:00 – 7:30 PM	Formal Presentation
7:30 – 8:30 PM	Questions and Answers, Provide Comments

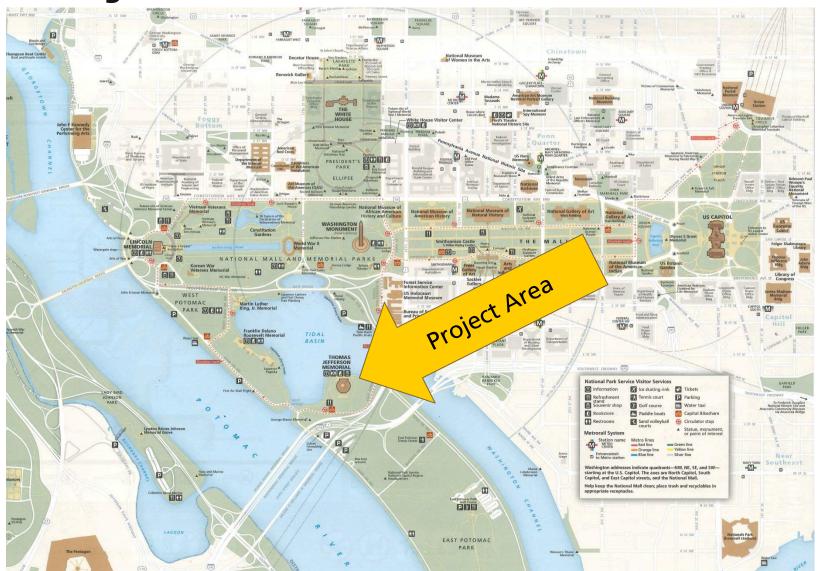


## **Meeting Purpose**

- Gather input
  - What are the issues?
  - What improvements should be made?
  - What are your concerns?
- Provide initial goals, ideas, and concepts



## **Project Location**





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## **Memorial History**

- 1939: Construction began with cornerstone laid on Nov 15
- 1966: Listed in National Register of Historic Places





## **Purpose of the Project**

- Remove or reduce barriers to access for all visitors to the Memorial.
- Improve experience of all visitors to the Memorial.





# Why is the project needed?

- Accessible route to the interior is over 1,000 feet long and winding.
- There is only one accessible route to the chamber level.

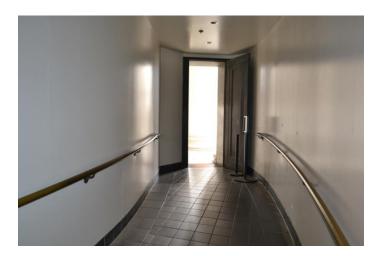




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- Elements of the Memorial interior present barriers to access. Including
  - Interpretive exhibits
  - Physical elements







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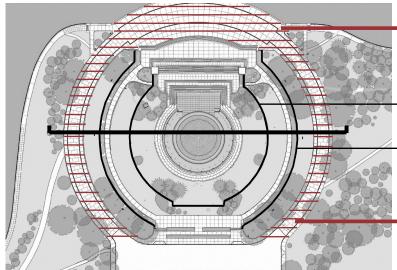
- Designated accessible parking may be blocked by buses.
- No access aisle protected from traffic.



# **Existing Levels of Memorial**



**Circular Roadway** 



**Tidal Basin Plaza Level** 

**Upper Terrace Wall** 

Lower Terrace Wall

**Circular Roadway** 

Chamber Level (31.58')

Upper Terrace (~21.14')

Portico Level (29.86')

Lower Level

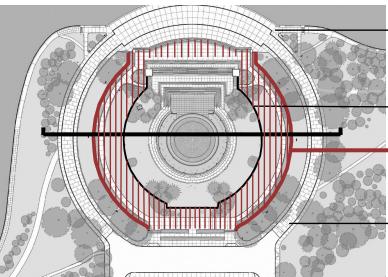
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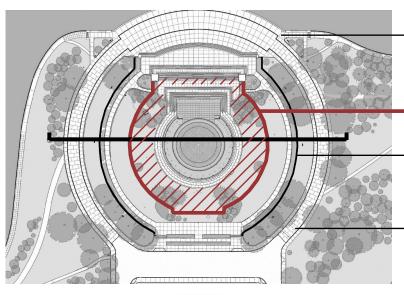
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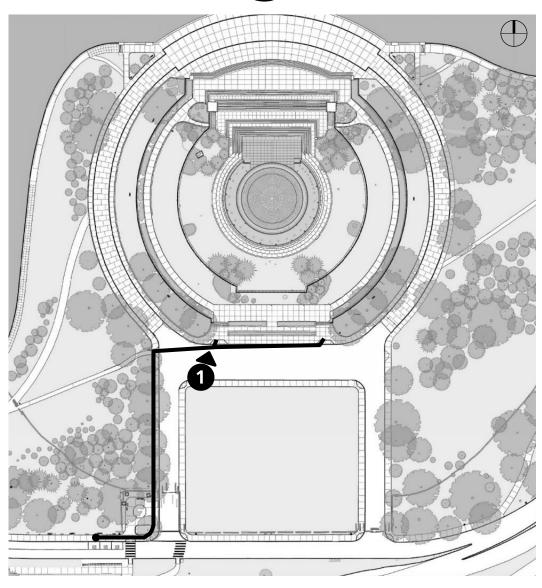
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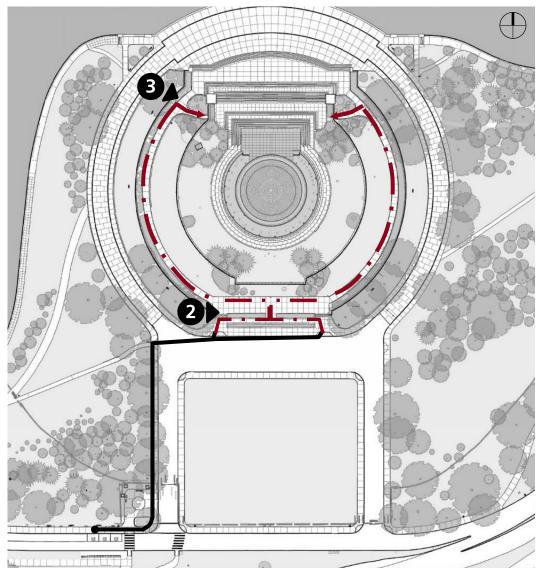
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Route from Bus Drop Off/Parking

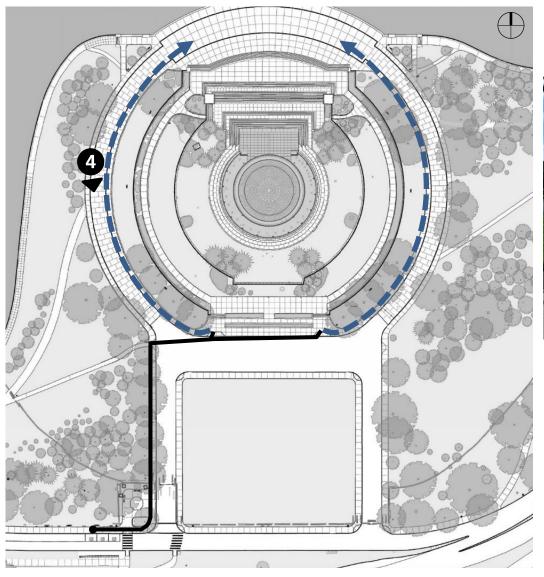


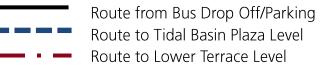


Route from Bus Drop Off/Parking
Route to Lower Terrace Level

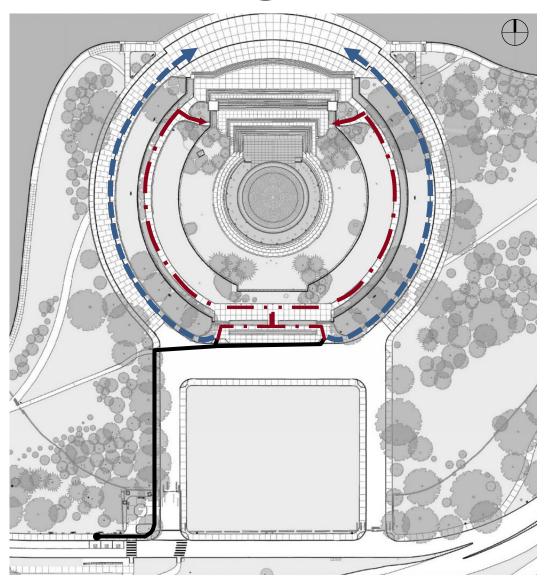






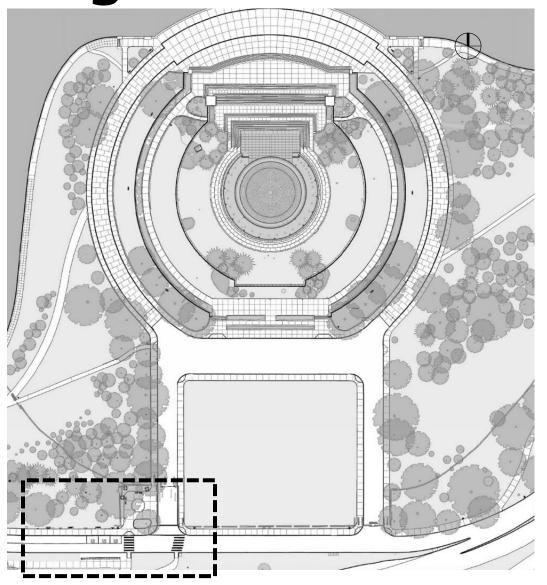


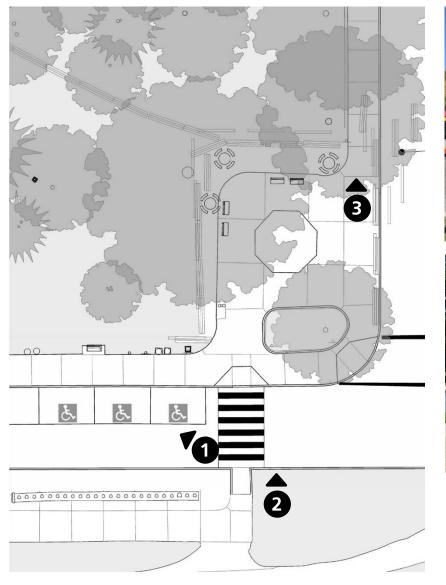






Route from Bus Drop Off/Parking Route to Tidal Basin Plaza Level Route to Lower Terrace Level













### **Proposed Actions**

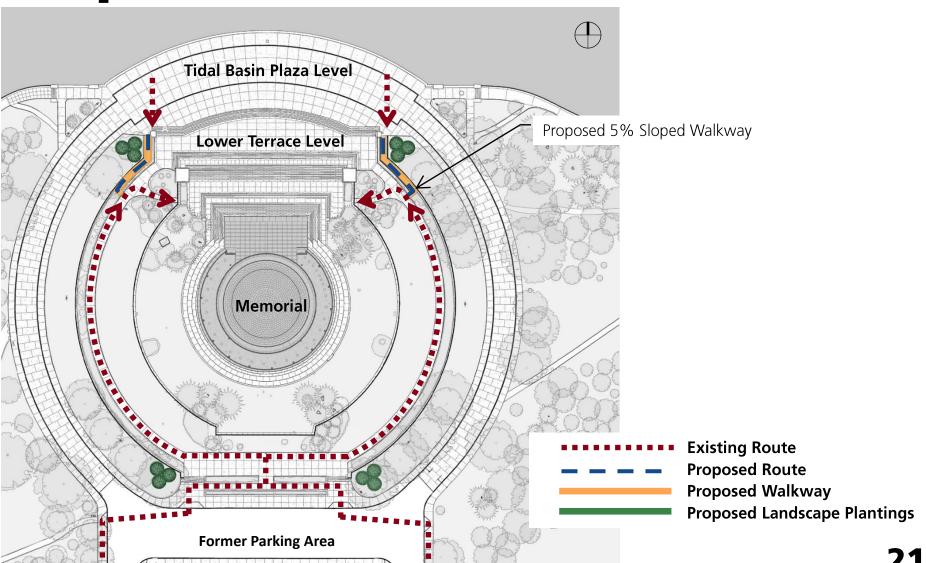
- Improve, modify, or create new accessible routes, including:
  - Route from Tidal Basin to chamber level
  - Route from parking/drop-off area to chamber level
  - Route to the existing concessions kiosk



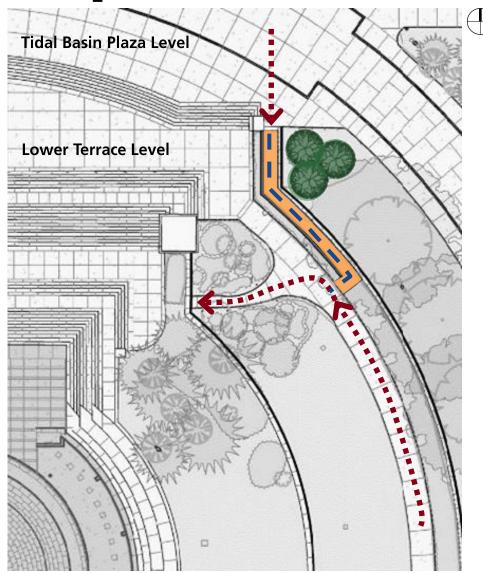
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- Improve parts of the interior for maximum accessibility, including
  - Interpretive exhibits
  - Physical elements

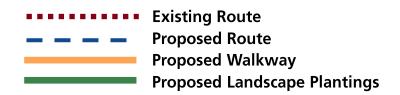
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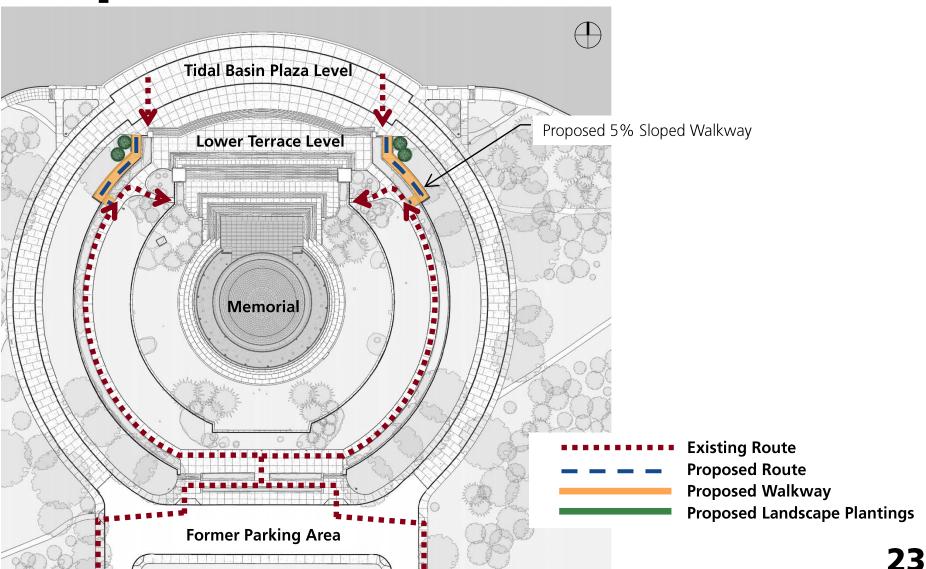
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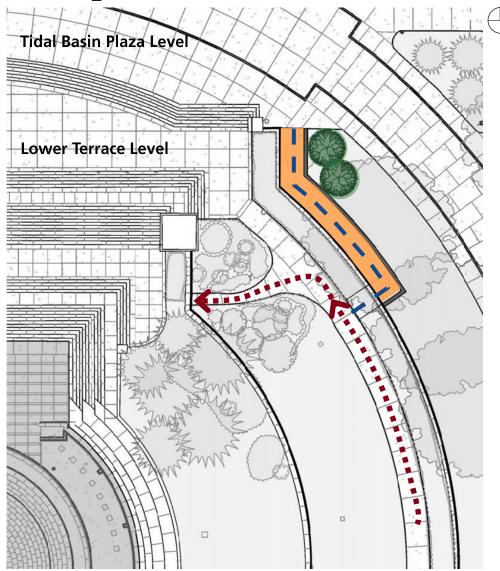




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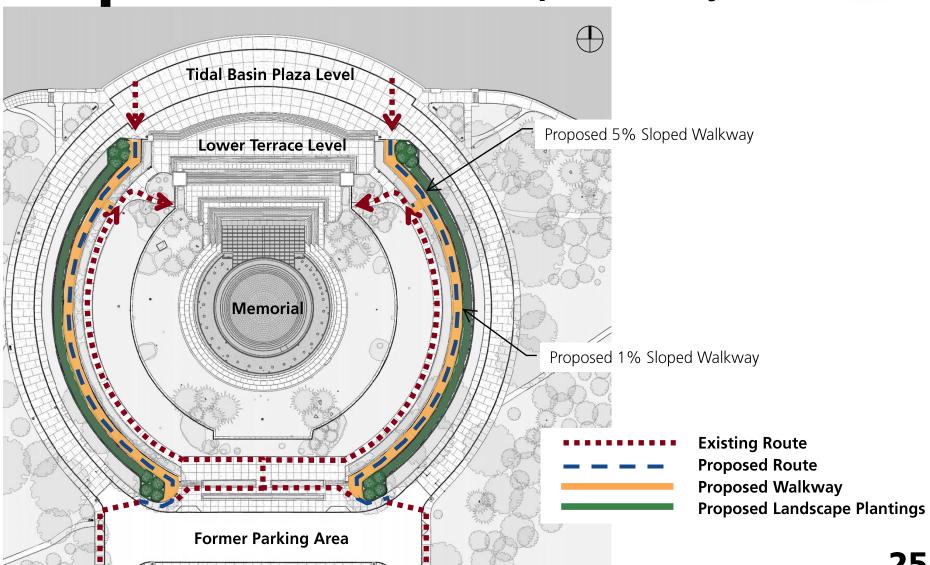




Existing Route
Proposed Route
Proposed Walkway
Proposed Landscape Plantings

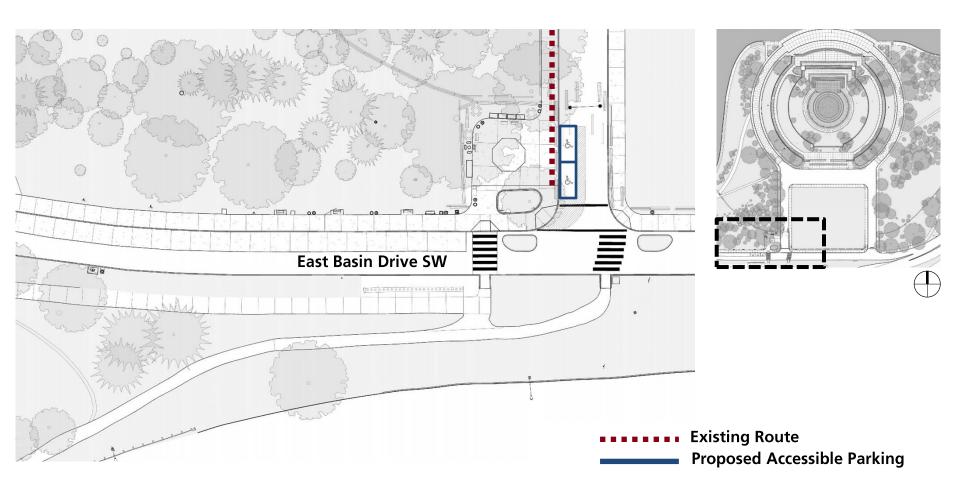


### Option 3: Continuous Sloped Walkway

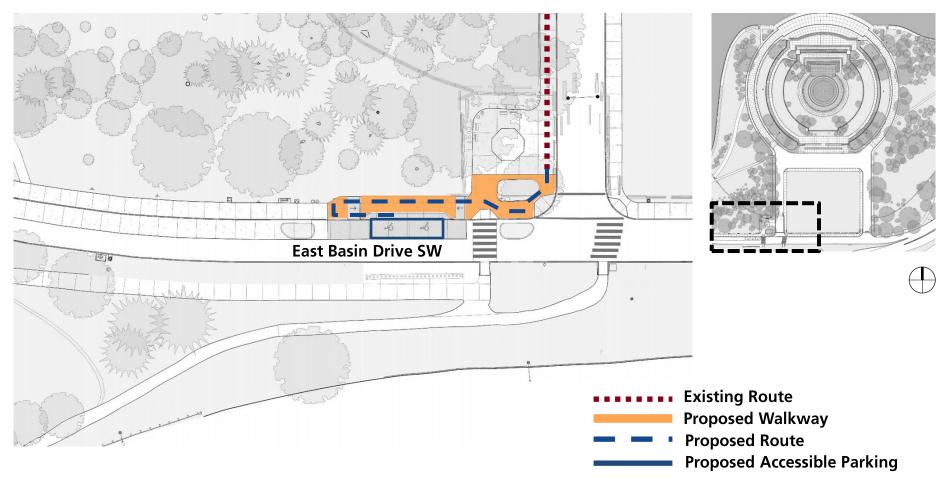




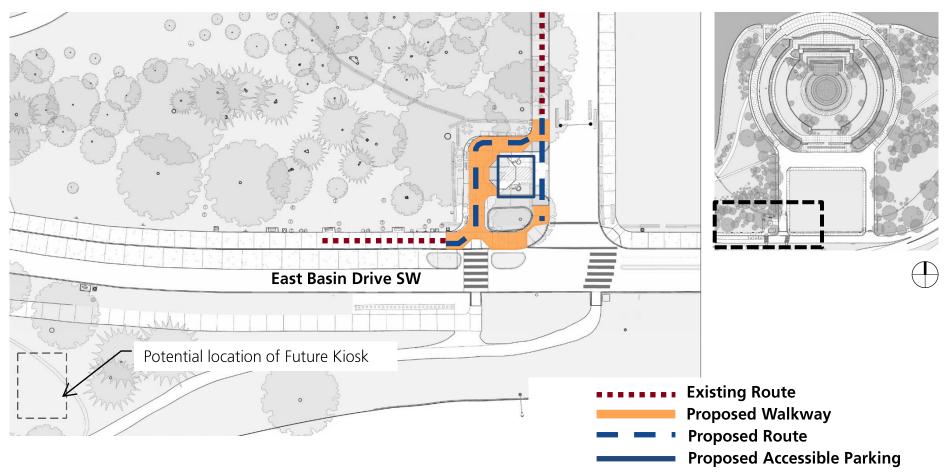
# Option 4.1: Temporary Parallel Parking



# Option 4.2: Accessible Parking in Existing Location

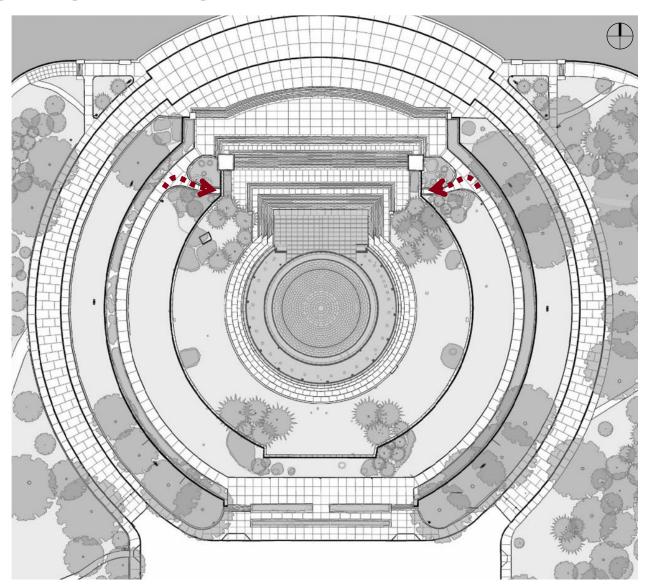


## Option 4.3: Accessible Parking at Kiosk Location



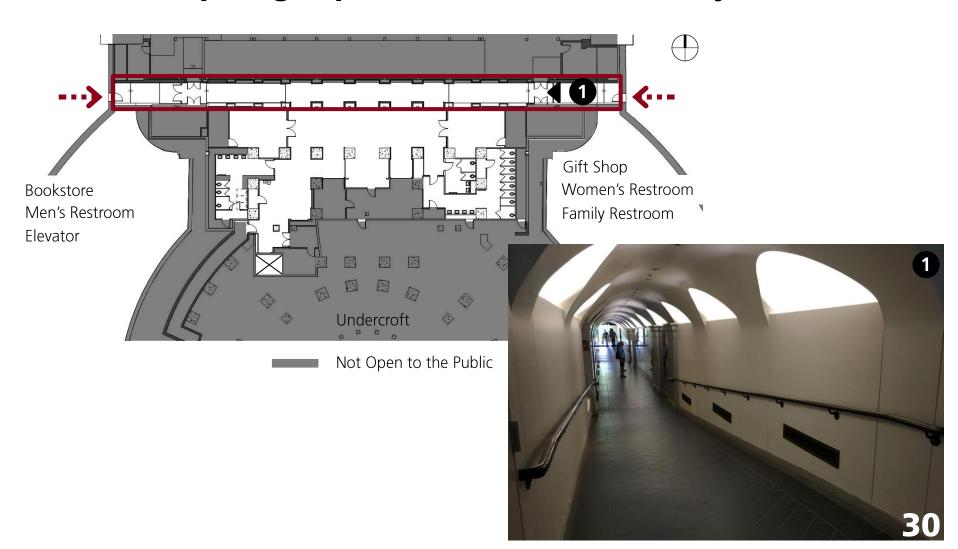


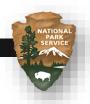
### **Interior Work**



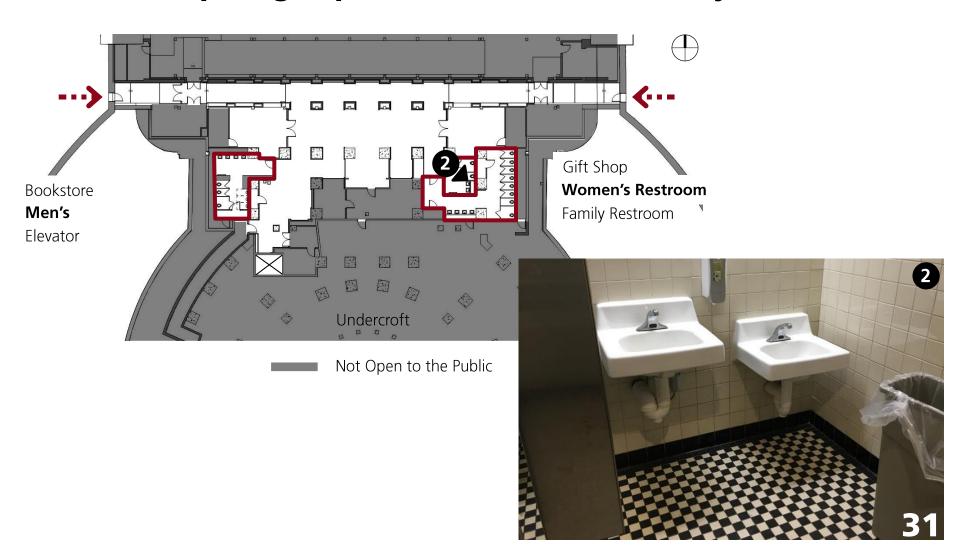


#### **Lower Level:**



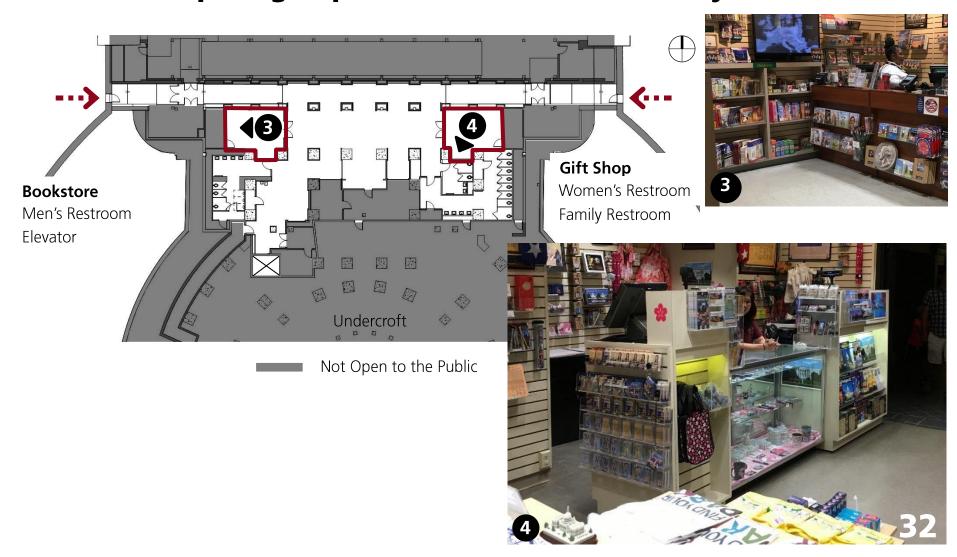


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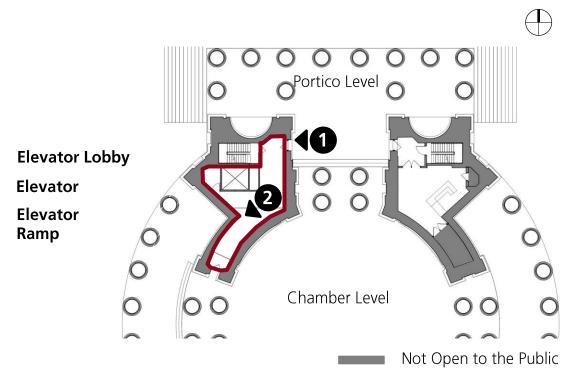


#### **Lower Level:**





#### **Portico Level:**







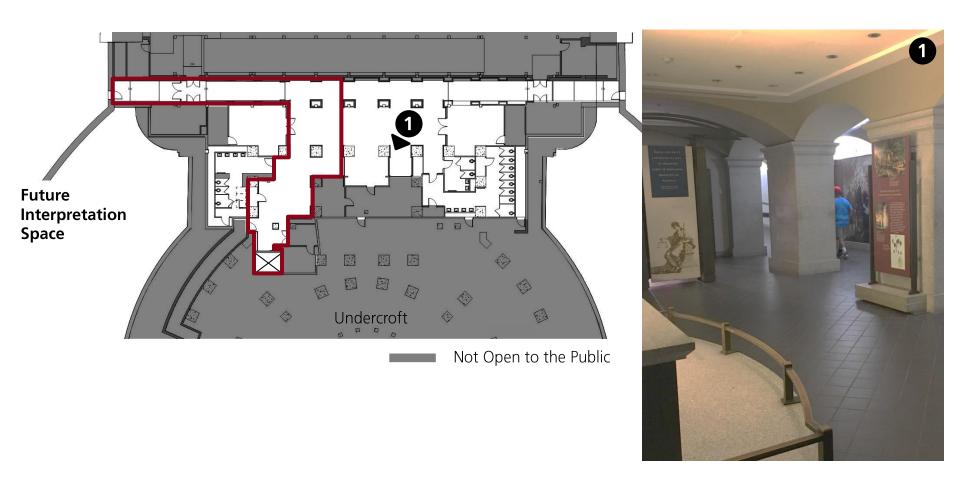


#### **Lower Level/Portico Level:**

**Possible Updates to Physical Components:** 

- Provide lowered countertops at the bookstore and giftshop.
- Reduce steepness of the ramp from the Portico Level to the Chamber Level
- Extended handrails along ramps
- Adjust location of fixtures with Restrooms

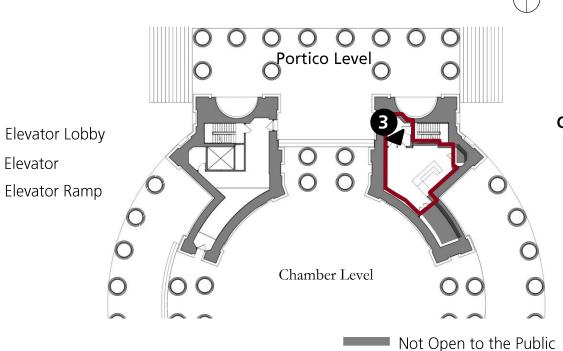
# Lower Level: Interpretation



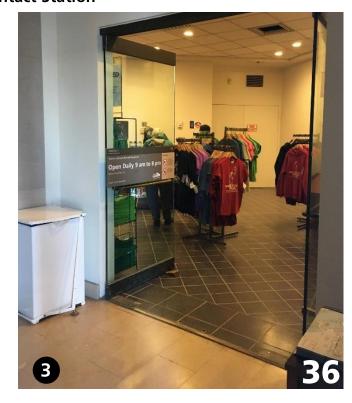


#### **Portico Level:**

#### **Areas Requiring Improvements for Accessibility**



#### **Contact Station**





### **Interpretive Updates**

- Exhibits to focus on the Memorial, the statue, and the surrounding landscape
- Move interpretation to Contact station for connection to Chamber Level
- Audio describe and provide braille for all interpretive and Memorial content.
- Create a desirable experience, equivalent of ascending the stairs of the Memorial in (and around) elevator



**Approx Timeline** 

We are here

**Design Milestones** 

**Public and Agency Scoping** 

**Public Involvement** 

**Comment period:** 

Nov 1 - Dec 1, 2017

Fall 2017

Pre-Design

NPS considers public and agency comments, develops **Environmental Assessment** 

Public Review of the **Environmental Assessment Comment period: TBD** 

NPS considers public and agency comments

**Announcement of Decision** 

Winter 2017-2018

Spring 2018

Summer 2018

Fall 2018

Schematic Design

NPS Development Advisory Board Review, **Design Development** 

**Construction Documents** 



#### **How to Comment**

- Participate in Question and Answer session now
- Provide online at go.nps.gov/JeffersonAccessibility
- Comment forms
- Mail (instructions on comment forms)



## **Questions? Comments?**





