

the Julius Rosenwald & Rosenwald Schools National Historical Park

"All the other pleasures of life seem to wear out, but the pleasure of helping others in distress never does."

Julius Rosenwald



Rosenwald Park Campaign

The son of German Jewish immigrants, Julius Rosenwald became one of the most influential businessmen and visionary philanthropists of the 20th century. Under his leadership, Sears, Roebuck & Company revolutionized retail sales and the mass production of products.

As a philanthropist his contributions to social justice were also very significant—particularly his advancement of African American education, arts, and achievement. The 4.977 Rosenwald Schools he helped make a reality and the nearly 900 fellowships the Rosenwald Fund awarded to highly-talented people, two thirds of whom were African American, responded to pressing needs.

The schools enabled children to study longer and complete higher grade levels, which increased African American literacy and led to a decline in child labor. They are notably significant resources that played a pivotal role educating children in 15 states in the segregated south. The fellowship program demonstrated that African Americans, if given the opportunity and resources, could contribute highly significantly to our nation and the world.



The Campaign's aim is to establish a Julius Rosenwald & Rosenwald Schools National Historical Park to ensure the preservation of these unique cultural assets and highlight the remarkable story of pioneering partnerships and programs that helped shape US history in the 20th century and beyond.

We envision a multi-site Park that includes a Visitor Center in his Chicago hometown and a small number of existing Rosenwald School sites selected by the National Park Service. The Park will feature his philanthropy, with a focus on his pioneering support and partnerships that advanced African American rights and education. It will also honor and convey Rosenwald's contributions to modern business.

Importantly, the National Park will also illuminate the contributions of immigrant families to our collective heritage and be the first to commemorate the life of a Jewish American whose legacy imparts and inspires key lessons for future generations.

Julius Rosenwald **Timeline of Key Dates**

1862 August 12	Born in Springfield, Illinois, to Samuel and Augusta Rosenwald
1879 March	Went to New York City to learn the clothing trade from his uncles
1885	Opened a business in Chicago with his cousin, Julius Weil, that manufactured summer clothing for men
1895 August	Bought 1/4 interest in Sears, Roebuck, & Company for \$37,500
1908 November	Became President of Sears, Roebuck, & Company
1910 December	Proposed challenge grants of \$25,000 to build Black YMCAs in every city that independently raised \$75,000 towards the effort. By 1932, YMCAs had been built in 24 cities.
1911 May	Hosted a luncheon in Chicago for Booker T. Washington
1911	Elected to the Board of Trustees of Tuskegee University
1912 August	Donated \$675,000 to institutions, including Tuskegee University, to celebrate his 50th birthday
1912	Began establishing Rosenwald Schools for Black children in the south. By 1932, he had helped fund 5,357 Rosenwald School facilities in 15 southern states
1917 October	Created the Julius Rosenwald Fund "for the wellbeing of mankind"
1917 to 1918	Served on the Council of National Defense in Washington, DC, during World War I
1921 December	Rescued Sears, Roebuck, & Company during a recession by putting up \$20 million of his own money
1924 October	Retired from Sears, Roebuck, & Company, and remained Chair of its Board
1926 August	Donated \$3 million to create the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry
1928 to 1948	Rosenwald Fund awarded fellowships to nearly 900 highly-talented people; two-thirds were African American
1929 October	Personally guaranteed \$7 million in loans for Sears employees who had borrowed money to buy Sears stock
1932 January 6	Rosenwald passes away at his home in Ravinia, Illinois, at the age of 69



Julius Rosenwald with Booker T. Washington



The Wabash Avenue YMCA, which opened in Chicago in 1913 with Rosenwald's support. Courtesy of Andrew Jameson



New York Times article from December 1921 noting Rosenwald's rescue of Sears through his own funds.



The Sandy Grove School in Burleson County, Texas, 1923-1924. Courtesy of Karen Riles

President's Letter

Friends,

I am pleased to share the 2021 Rosenwald Park Campaign Annual Report, which highlights the advances we have made thanks to our dedicated Board, Advisory Council, volunteers, and supporters.

Despite the ongoing challenges of the pandemic, 2021 was both gratifying and productive for the Campaign. In January, the Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools Act of 2020 was signed into law—the result of the hard work of many people and organizations who helped enact this legislation. The Act mandates that the National Park Service (NPS) conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of Julius Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools. It will lay the foundation for making the National Historical Park a reality.

Another major accomplishment was issuing a comprehensive report in August 2021 on 55 Rosenwald School facilities and a teacher home recommended by 14 states for potential inclusion in the planned Park. This publication is the culmination of years of volunteerled research emanating from our 34 site visits and conversations with key stakeholders.



Campaign President Dorothy Canter, PhD

We submitted the report and background materials to NPS staff, as well as a summary report the Campaign prepared on seven additional Rosenwald Schools whose support groups requested consideration for inclusion in the Park. We maintained regular contact with NPS staff throughout the year and were gratified that much progress was made toward initiating the special resource study.

Another exciting development is that official support for establishing a Park grew from 41 to 109 non-profit supporters and includes a diverse group. We attribute this to the outreach of our Board and volunteers, and the visibility gained from our participation in 20 educational programs.

Looking ahead, this year the Campaign seeks to:

- further increase and diversify the support of non-profits;
- develop and participate in educational events to reach new audiences;
- continue close communications with the National Park Service:
- arrange visits to additional Rosenwald Schools (COVID permitting);
- acquire more artifacts;
- advance plans for exhibition development; and
- grow our base of subscribers and supporters.

In these troubling times of deep divisions and discord, our efforts to advance the aims of the Rosenwald Park Campaign by preserving and telling such a positive and impactful story fill me with optimism for a brighter future for our nation.

Thank you for your interest in our historic endeavor.

If you would like to learn how you can become involved in furthering our work, please visit https://www.rosenwaldpark.org/contact.



In October 2021, Campaign President Dorothy Canter, traveled to Chattanooga, Tennessee, where she took part in a lecture series hosted by the National Park Partners Chickamauga, Chattanooga, and Moccasin Bend. She gave a presentation, Julius Rosenwald: Innovative Businessman and Visionary Philanthropist, at the Chattanooga IMAX. Campaign Board Member The Honorable Greg Vital is a sponsor of the National Park Partners lecture series.

Pictured above (left to right) are:

Tricia Nims

Executive Director National Park Partners Chickamauga, Chattanooga, and Moccasin Bend

The Honorable Greg Vital

Board Member Rosenwald Park Campaign

Dorothy Canter

President Rosenwald Park Campaign

John Edwards

Editor

Chattanooga News Chronicle

Julius Rosenwald and **Rosenwald Schools** Act of 2020



H. R. 3250

One Hundred Sixteenth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Friday, the third day of January, two thousand and twenty

An Act

o require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of the noted American philanthropist and business executive Julius Rosenwald, with a special focus on the Rosenwald Schools, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Julius Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools Act of 2020".

SEC. 2. RESOURCE STUDY OF JULIUS ROSENWALD AND ROSENWALD SCHOOLS.

SCHOOLS.

(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
(1) ROSENWALD SCHOOL.—The term "Rosenwald School" means any of the 5,357 schools and related buildings constructed in 15 southern States during the period of 1912 through 1932 by the philanthropy of Julius Rosenwald
(2) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary

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(2) SCERTARY—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(3) STUDY AREA.—The term "study area" means the sites associated with the life and legacy of Julius Rosenwald.

(b) SPECLA RESOURCE STUDY—

(1) STUDY—The Secretary shall conduct a special resource study of the study area, with a special emphasis on the following Rosenwald Schools and other sites associated with the life and legacy of Julius Rosenwald:

(A) Sears Administration Building at Homan Square in Chicago, Illinois.

(B) Rosenwald Court Apartments in Chicago, Illinois.

(C) Museum of Science & Industry in Chicago, Illinois.

(D) Rosenwald House (formerly the Lyon Home) at the Lincoln Home National Historic Site in Springfield, Illinois.

(E) Cairo Rosenwald School, a one-teacher school in Summer County, Tennessee.

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(F) Shady Grove School, a one-teacher school in Louisa County, Virginia.

(G) Noble Hill School, a two-teacher school in Bartow County Growing.

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(H) Ridgeley School, a two-teacher school in Prince Georges County, Maryland.

(I) Bay Springs School, a two-teacher school in Forest County, Mississippi.

On January 13, 2021, the Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools Act of 2020 was signed into law following its passage in December 2020 with widespread bipartisan support in both Houses of Congress. The legislation, introduced in June 2019 jointly by Congressman Danny Davis (H.R. 3250) and Senator Richard Durbin (S.1863), was supported from its conception through its passage by the Rosenwald Park Campaign.

The Act directs the National Park Service (NPS) to undertake a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of Julius Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools. Specifically, the legislation requires the NPS to assess the national significance of these sites and to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating them as part of the US National Park System.

Throughout the year, we continued to engage with NPS staff regarding the status of the special resource study, a key step in the process of creating a National Historical Park. Following completion of the report, legislation will be introduced to create the Park.



Interior of the Ridgeley Rosenwald School located in Prince George's County, Maryland. Dorothy Canter

Expanding our Audiences

In 2021, the Campaign participated in 20 events reaching, educating, and inspiring audiences across the nation with the timely lessons and the enduring legacy of Julius Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools. These events, coupled with the outreach of our dedicated board and volunteers, also enabled us to engage additional nonprofit organizations as official supporters of the Campaign.

The Campaign issued 12 newsletters to subscribers on its activities and advances as well as articles on Iulius Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools.

"Julius Rosenwald, and the people in whom he invested, made powerful contributions to our country...This story needs to be told—and the National Parks System is where it should be told."

Robert G. Stanton

Former Senior Advisor to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Former Director of the National Park Service, Vice President, Rosenwald Park Campaign

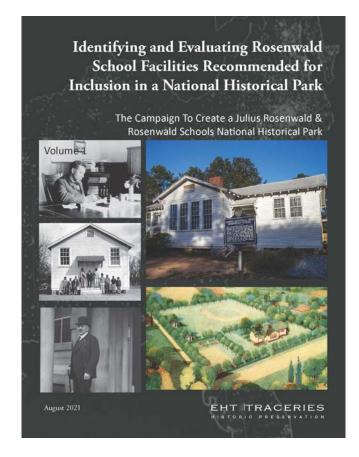
Submission of a Major Report to the National Park Service

In August, we issued a comprehensive publication, Identifying and Evaluating Rosenwald School Facilities Recommended for Inclusion in a National Historical Park. The report features 55 Rosenwald Schools and a teacher home recommended in 2017 by State Historical Preservation Officers in 14 states for possible inclusion in the National Park. The report, prepared by EHT Traceries, a widely recognized authority in the documentation and evaluation of cultural resources, along with extensive background materials will facilitate the National Park Service's conducting of the special resource study.

The report reflects nearly five years of volunteer-led outreach and onsite research, which was enriched by site meetings with Rosenwald School support associations and conversations with families of former students, some involving multiple generations. Our analysis revealed that:

- most of the 34 facilities we visited are well-maintained buildings;
- 29 are located in rural to semi-rural settings:
- four are still being used for educational purposes ranging from a pre-school to a department within a University;
- most of the others serve as community centers and museums:
- five facilities have known Civil Rights Movement associations; and
- most are within proximity to existing NPS units, which will facilitate their management if selected for inclusion in the National Park System.

We also submitted a report to the National Park Service on seven additional Rosenwald



Schools, not recommended in 2017, whose support groups had contacted us requesting that their facilities be considered for inclusion in the National Park.

By the Rosenwald School Building Program's conclusion in 1932, Julius Rosenwald had helped build 4,977 schools through challenge grants that required the involvement of African American families and the public sector. They served as vital educational institutions as well as sources of community pride and cohesiveness.

One hundred and ten years after the launch of this pioneering program, Alumni and their families still recall with great fondness their time at the schools and the enduring impact on their lives.

Donations and Acquisitions

We were pleased to receive a scale model of a one-teacher Rosenwald School fabricated by Arkansas-based teacher and photographer, Mark Wittig. He is creating an exhibition, Structures that Transformed Education— 1724 to 1974, which documents schools that played a role in changing American education. Through his online research, he discovered a program that featured the Campaign and contacted us afterwards. Working with photographs, Wittig is creating models of the schools using 3-D printers and laser cutters. His exhibition will include several

Rosenwald Schools. The model will be a helpful educational tool for our future exhibitions and the planned Park's permanent collection.

The Campaign was also the beneficiary of a tabletop scale model of a Sears Kit house donated by Mark Kalin, President of Kalin Associates, Inc., Specifications Consultants.

Additionally, we acquired vintage newspapers, photographs, and postcards pertaining to Sears, Roebuck during Julius Rosenwald's tenure. These artifacts will enable us to mount an exhibition on his role in helping make Sears into a retail powerhouse and rescuing it with his personal funds when it was on the brink of bankruptcy in 1921.

Among the historic newspapers we acquired, was this issue of the *The Times-Piscayune* published in New Orleans on January 7, 1932, announcing Rosenwald's death.



Maintaining Contact with Rosenwald Schools

In 2021, Campaign Board members visited eight Rosenwald Schools and participated in an annual Black History Month and anniversary program at the Ridgeley School in Maryland. Three of the schools visited (Cape Charles, Fairmont, and Woodville) were in various stages of restoration. Two others (Eleanor Roosevelt and Okahumpka) are planning future restorations.

Cape Charles Rosenwald School

Cape Charles, Virginia

Eleanor Roosevelt Rosenwald School

Warm Springs, Georgia

Fairmont-Rosenwald History Center

Griffin, Georgia

Lincoln School

Pikesville, Tennessee

Noble Hill School Cassville, Georgia

Okahumpka Rosenwald School

Lake County, Florida

San Domingo School

San Domingo, Maryland

Woodville Rosenwald School

Gloucester, Virginia

Woodville Rosenwald School



In September, Dorothy Canter visited the Woodville School and met with board members of the Woodville Rosenwald School Foundation, including President Wesley Wilson and Roberta Ray (below).



Fairmont-Rosenwald History Center



Noble Hill-Wheeler Memorial Center



San Domingo School





Campaign board members Robert Stanton, Anna Barber, and Dorothy Canter visited San Domingo School in August and met with three school alumni, all members of the Quinton family, who have been associated with the school for over 100 years. Tom Horton, a journalist who created the documentary *Saving San Domingo*, and Joel Dunn of the Chesapeake Conservancy, also attended.

Okahumpka Rosenwald School



On November 13, 2021, Campaign board member Stephanie Deutsch participated in the dedication of a historic marker at the school. The marker was donated by the Jewish American Society for Historic Preservation.

Eleanor Roosevelt Rosenwald School



The Eleanor Roosevelt School, the last Rosenwald School, was built in 1936 at the request of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Dorothy Canter visited in April 2021 and met with members of the team working to restore the school.

Lincoln School



Cape Charles School



Diversified our Partnerships

The growing list of non-profit institutions that support creating the Park represent a broad and diverse range of constituencies, including National Parks; African American and Jewish groups; preservation, cultural and educational organizations; museums; synagogues and churches; and support groups for a number of Rosenwald Schools. As of December 31st, there were 109 committed partners, up from 41 at the end of 2020.

Adas Israel Congregation

Washington, DC

American Jewish Committee

Washington, DC

American Library Association

Chicago, Illinois

Asbury United Methodist Church

Washington, DC

Association for the Study of African

American Life and History

Washington, DC

Association of African American

Museums

Washington, DC

Atlanta History Center

Atlanta, Georgia

Bet Mishpachah of Washington, DC

Black Metropolis National

Heritage Area Commission

Chicago, Illinois

Buffalo Jewish Community

Relations Council

Williamsville. New York

Buffalo Jewish Federation

Williamsville. New York

Capital Jewish Museum

Washington, DC

Center for Black Education

Development

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Charlotte Museum of History

Charlotte, North Carolina

Chesapeake Conservancy

Annapolis, Maryland

Chicago Sinai Congregation

Chicago, Illinois

Coalition for American Heritage

Washington, DC

Coalition to Protect America's

National Parks

Washington, DC

Commonwealth of Virginia Department

of Historic Resources

Richmond, Virginia

Congregation KTI

Port Chester, New York

Congregation Mickve Israel

Savannah, Georgia

Congregation Sukkat Shalom

Wilmette, Illinois

Cook Foundation

Gloucester, Virginia

Corpus Christi Episcopal Church

Okahumpka, Florida

Country School Association

of America

League City, Texas

Dorchester County Library

Summerville, South Carolina

Ebenezer Baptist Church

Atlanta, Georgia

Elmore County Association

of Black Heritage

Wetumpka, Alabama

Epsilon Eta Chapter of the lota Phi

Lambda Sorority

Largo, Maryland

Fairfax City Council

Fairfax, Virginia

Fairfax County History Commission

Fairfax, Virginia

FrameWorks Institute

Washington, DC

Friends of Longue Vue

New Orleans, Louisiana

Friends of Russell Rosenwald School

Durham, North Carolina

Friends of the Jewish Chapel at the

United States Naval Academy

Annapolis, Maryland

Galesville Community Center

Organization, Inc.

Galesville, Maryland

Gloucester Museum of History

Gloucester, Virginia

Great Branch Community Center

Orangeburg County, South Carolina

Holy Temple Church of the Living God

Okahumpka, Florida

Hyde Park Historical Society

Chicago, Illinois

Illinois State Society of Washington, DC

Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the

American Jewish Archives

Cincinnati, Ohio

Jewish American Society for Historic

Preservation

Boynton Beach, Florida

Jewish Community of Sedona and the

Verde Valley Synagogue

Sedona, Arizona

Jewish Federation of Greater Chattanooga

Chattanooga, Tennessee

Jewish Federation of Greater New Orleans

Jewish Federation of

Metropolitan Chicago

Jewish Federation

of Springfield, Illinois

Jewish Historical Society

of South Carolina

Charleston, South Carolina

John Quinton Foundation, Inc.

Mardela Springs, Maryland

Lafayette Square Foundation

New York, New York

Landmarks Illinois

Chicago, Illinois

Longue Vue House and Gardens

New Orleans, Louisiana

Maryland Historical Trust

Crownsville, Maryland

MASS Design Group

Boston, Massachusetts

Mays Lick Negro School

Restoration Group

Mays Lick, Kentucky

Mildred Ridgley Gray Charitable Trust, Inc.

Prince George's County, Maryland

Mobile County Training School

Alumni Association

Mobile, Alabama

Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church

Okahumpka, Florida

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church

Okahumpka, Florida

Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience

New Orleans, Louisiana

NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.

New York, New York

National Center for Civil and Human Rights

Atlanta, Georgia

National Conference of State Historic

Preservation Officers

Washington, DC

National Council of Jewish Women,

New Orleans Section

National Museum of American Jewish History

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

National Park Partners Chickamauga

Chattanooga Moccasin Bend

Chattanooga, Tennessee

National Parks Conservation

Association

Washington, DC

National Preservation Institute

Washington, DC

National Trust for Historic Preservation

Washington, DC

National Urban League

New York, New York

New Bethel A.M.E. Church

Okahumpka, Florida

New Birth Baptist Church

Washington, DC

North Lawndale Historical and Cultural Society

Chicago, Illinois

Okahumpka Community Club

Okahumpka, Florida

Philanthropy Roundtable

Washington, DC

Preservation Action

Washington, DC

Preservation Chicago

Prince George's County Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Prince George's County, Maryland

Prince George's County Board of Education

Prince George's County, Maryland

Riderwood Jewish Community

Silver Spring, Maryland

Scrabble School Preservation

Foundation

Castleton, Virginia

Shenandoah National Park Trust

Charlottesville, Virginia

Sixth and I Synagogue

Washington, DC

South Carolina Department of Archives and History

Columbia, South Carolina

South Side Community Art Center

Chicago, Illinois

Southern Jewish Historical Society

Marietta, Georgia

Southern Poverty Law Center

Montgomery, Alabama

Spalding County Board of

Commissioners

Griffin, Georgia

St. George Rosenwald School Board

St. George, South Carolina

St. Mark's Episcopal Church

Washington, DC

Tanner Preservation Alliance

Newport, Tennessee

The Ciesla Foundation

Washington, DC

The Committee of 100 on the Federal City

Washington, DC

The First Union Baptist Church

Gloucester, Virginia

The Gloucester Historical Society

in Virginia

Gloucester, Virginia

The Gloucester Union Relief Association

of Missionary Baptist

White Marsh, Virginia

The Jewish Federation

of Greater Washington

Washington, DC

The Renaissance Collaborative

Chicago, Illinois

The Temple

Atlanta, Georgia

The Trust for Public Land

San Francisco, California

Thomas B. Fordham Institute

Washington, DC

Thurgood Marshall College Fund

New York, New York

Turner Memorial AME Church

Hyattesville, Maryland

United Negro College Fund

Washington, DC

Washington Hebrew Congregation

Washington, DC

Williams Memorial School

and Community Alliance

Woodson Center

Washington, DC

Woodville Rosenwald School Foundation

Gloucester, Virginia

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* As of December 31, 2021

2021 Financial Statement

The Rosenwald Park Campaign is a 501(c)(3) corporation that was founded in 2016. In 2021, the Campaign had income of \$109,938, all from donations by individuals and foundations. Its expenses amounted to \$33,461. The main expenses were for the preparation and printing of the report on Rosenwald Schools recommended to the Campaign in 2017 by 14 southern states. The assets of the Campaign at the close of 2021 were \$196,803, with liabilities of \$774. The net assets were \$196,030, up from \$119,554 at the end of 2020.

In early 2022, the Campaign plans to further develop its organization by hiring communications, development, design, and social media consultants to reach a broader audience and help secure increased support for the Campaign's mission of creating the National Historical Park in an expedited timeframe. It will also initiate the process for developing, designing, and installing a traveling exhibition in key cities on the life and legacy of Julius Rosenwald with emphasis on the Rosenwald Schools.

Marcie Cohen Ferris, PhD

Campaign Accomplishments

2016	July 2016	Meeting with National Parks Conservation Association and National Trust for Historic Preservation reps to start the Campaign planning process
	September 2016	Campaign's Planning Committee is formed and subsequently held its first meeting in December
2017	Spring 2017	Worked with experts to develop a process for states to recommend Rosenwald School facilities for possible inclusion in the National Park
	July 2017	Solicited recommendations of Rosenwald School facilities from State Historic Preservation Officers in 15 states
	November 2017	Received recommendations from State Historic Preservation Officers in 14 states for 55 Rosenwald Schools and one teacher home
2018	January 2018	Campaign representatives begin visiting Rosenwald School facilities. By October 2019, 34 of the 56 recommended facilities in 12 states had been visited
	March 2018	Helped develop draft language for Congressional legislation on Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools from March through April
	October 2018	Issued a historic context study report on Rosenwald and the Rosenwald Schools Launched the Campaign's <u>website</u>
2019	February 2019	Meetings with Congressional staff on legislation commence and continue through February 2020
	June 13, 2019	The Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools Act of 2019 is introduced into the House and Senate of Congress
	August 15, 2019	Campaign is approved by the IRS as a 501(c)(3) organization
2020	February 12, 2020	Canter attended the dedication ceremony of a historic marker in front of Rosenwald's boyhood home in Springfield, Illinois, that the Campaign requested be installed and helped finance
	September 2020	Issued a report on sites in Chicago associated with Julius Rosenwald that might serve as a vistor center for the National Historical Park
	October 2020	Began collecting memorabilia related to the life and legacy of Julius Rosenwald
	December 2020	House and Senate pass The Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools Act of 2020
2021	January 13, 2021	The Julius Rosenwald and Rosenwald Schools Act of 2020 is signed into law
	Mar to Dec 2021	Interacted regularly with National Park Service staff, submitting three reports and background material
	August 2021	Issued a comprehensive report featuring 55 Rosenwald Schools and a teacher home recommended by State Historical Preservation Officers in 14 states for possible inclusion in the National Park
	October 2021	Submitted a follow up report on seven additional Rosenwald Schools that contacted us after the initial round of submissions in 2017 seeking to be included in the National Park
	2021	Organizational supporters grew from 41 to 109 Participated in 20 events expanding outreach to new audiences

During the early 1930s, one in every three black children in 15 southern states attended a Rosenwald School. Learn more about our efforts to ensure the preservation of these unique cultural assets and highlight the remarkable story of pioneering partnerships and programs that helped shape US history in the 20th century and beyond.

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