



AMERICA'S LONG TABLE

A Long Table in the heart of DC for the 250th Birthday of America

September 19, 2026

To Connect and Unite For Good

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250 years. 1,776 Americans sharing dinner at a 1,776-foot table.

It's time to eat and connect for good.

Benefiting

Martha's  Table
EDUCATION • FOOD • OPPORTUNITY



Watch a 'Table' in action

In celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States, *Longer Tables* will host a historic gathering in the heart of our Nation's capital: a 1,700-foot table, bringing together 1,776 Americans from every walk of life to share dinner, meaningful conversation, and a vision for unity.

Like no other place, the table and a shared meal holds the catalytic potential to create a sense of belonging, lower barriers, reduce loneliness, and empower collaboration.

This event will demonstrate—visually, emotionally, and historically—that despite, and in celebration of our differences, connection is always an option over division.



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September 19, 2026, Dinner

Washington, D.C.

Henry Bacon Field near the Lincoln Memorial (permit pending)

One Long Table

Our table will stretch 1,700 feet with white table cloths, place settings, greens and conversation prompts at the center, with guests directed to sit next to those they don't know.

Super-Hosts & Co-Hosts

Partner organizations and individuals, representing the diversity of the nation, invite guests, ensuring a true cross-section of humans from all walks of life.

Dinner

Catered by locally-owned *Immigrant Food*, dinner will include a mix of food and tradition reflective of our nation and our people, both past and present.

Conversation + Connection

With co-hosts guiding conversation at each table, guests will share stories around curated conversation prompts at the table, leading to deeper connection and people connecting as simply humans.

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the IMPACT

- ✓ Individuals and leaders across the nation replicate our model in cities, companies and neighborhoods impacting thousands of lives and communities.
- ✓ Real connections and new relationships between our 1,776 guests.
- ✓ Telling the story in national media and interviews of people coming together and a growing movement of civic connection across differences.
- ✓ Encourage, equip and connect normally siloed leaders across the DMV and the nation to adopt the 'table strategy' to use in their contexts.
- ✓ Modeling generosity by giving a portion of donations to *Martha's Table*.

a Model to be Replicated

With anticipated widespread media coverage, cities and leaders will want to replicate the table model.

At *AmericasLongTable.org*, three levels of 'Table Planning Kits' will be made available to individuals or organizations, with everything they need to not only set a table, but take full advantage of our civic engagement and leadership strategy, approach and ethos, ensuring real and sustained, long-term impact.



***One table becomes many
One conversation becomes thousands
One gathering becomes a movement***

Sponsorship & Partnership Opportunities

We are seeking sponsors and mission-aligned partners to make this vision possible and to help ensure participation reflects the full diversity of our country.

Individual Support

All guests will be invited to make a **voluntary donation of \$17.76 (or more)** in honor of 1776. 100% of guest donations will support a DC-area hunger relief organization.

Partnership Benefits

- Promotion and exposure to 1,776 guests at the table, 150 volunteers and hundreds of thousands of media impressions.
- **Brand exposure** on local, regional, national and international press and coverage.
- **Tickets** for customers and clients.
- **Co-Host positions** for customers, team members.
- **Volunteer opportunities** for employees/team members.
- **Custom activation** available.
- Storytelling, branded assets and impact findings for use in your own promotion, marketing and reporting.
- Exposure and connection to companies, leaders, non-profits, foundations and associations who are working for good.
- Reciprocated offerings inside your organization (ask us!)

*Not just an event, but a statement.
Unity is newsworthy. Hope is inspirational.*

Corporate Sponsor Levels

Sponsors must reflect community investment, inclusion, and non-partisanship.

\$100,000 Presenting Sponsor | *Exclusive*

- Logo accompanying the America's Longest Table logo, "as presented by"
- Premier recognition on all event materials, signage and communications
- Three dedicated social media posts (Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn)
- Two full pages in digital programs
- Featured video on website and two exclusive emails to all guests
- 50 invitations
- Speaking opportunity
- Custom activation
- Sector/industry exclusivity

\$50,000 Platinum Sponsor | *Exclusive*

- Primary recognition on all event materials, signage and communications
- Two dedicated social media posts (Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn)
- One email to all registered guests
- One full page in digital program
- 25 invitations
- Custom activation

\$25,000 Silver Sponsor

- Recognition on all event materials, signage and communications
- One dedicated social media posts (Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn)
- 3/4 page in digital program
- 15 invitations
- Custom activation

Strategic Partners (Super-Hosts)

Strategic partners play a pivotal role in representing their community and area of passion and service, while contributing in the ways they are able.

\$1,000-10,000 Sponsor

- Recognition on all event materials, signage and communications
- 1/2 page in digital program
- 10 invitations

Levels (either donated or raised)

Local organization \$1,000+

Statewide organization \$5,000+

Nationwide organization \$10,000+

Ideal partners include: Rotary clubs, civic organizations, universities, faith-neutral community groups, NGOs, and service organizations.

- ***Make connections to leaders, potential sponsors and other partners***
 - ***Fundraising support and/or donation***
 - ***In-kind donations***
 - ***Volunteer recruitment and support***
 - ***Co-Host: invite guests***

FAQ

Answers to common questions.

What is America's Long Table?

America's Long Table is a historic shared-meal gathering commemorating the 250th Anniversary of the United States, bringing together 1,776 Americans for intentional conversation across differences. The event models unity, belonging, and connection through shared meals and guided dialogue at the table, the most inclusive and common place for all people.

Who is organizing the event?

The event is led by Longer Tables (lead NGO) in partnership with the Rotary Club of Washington Global, with support from Strategic Partners across sectors. Longer Tables, a 501(c)3 will be the fiscal agent and producer. No elected officials or political organizations are involved in organizing.

When and where will the event take place?

Saturday, September 19, 2026.

Location: Washington, D.C. on the National Mall - Henry Bacon Ballfield, across from the Lincoln Memorial.

What is the purpose of the event?

The purpose is to create a non-partisan, fully-inclusive space where Americans from diverse backgrounds can gather, share personal stories, and experience meaningful human connection—without issue debate or political advocacy.

FAQ, Con't.

Answers to common questions.

What will the experience look like?

- Share a meal seated at long communal tables
- Be guided by trained Co-Hosts (table captains)
- Engage in facilitated, story-based conversations (based on an existing methodology of community dialogue)
- Experience a thoughtfully structured gathering focused on listening and belonging
- Organizers may also include optional elements such as art, performance, or other activations that support the event's mission.

What is a strategic partner?

A Strategic Partner is an organization or group that commits financial and/or in-kind support and actively participates in helping make the event successful through volunteer mobilization, outreach, and engagement.

Separate Strategic Partner overview and FAQ available.

What are Co-Hosts, and what do they do?

Co-Hosts (also called table captains) are trained facilitators who:

- Invite a diverse group of guests to the gathering
- Welcome participants to the table
- Guide conversation using provided prompts
- Help create a respectful, inclusive atmosphere

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Answers to common questions.

Is the event political or religious?

No. America's Long Table is explicitly non-partisan and non-religious. The focus is on human connection, not advocacy, debate, or policy positions.

What happens if the event is postponed or canceled?

Organizers reserve the right to postpone or cancel the event due to circumstances such as weather, safety concerns, or factors beyond their control. Organizers are not responsible for any losses incurred by Partners as a result of postponement or cancellation.

Is the event free to attend?

Guests will be encouraged to give an optional donation of \$17.76 or more that will directly support a D.C.-based organization addressing food security and access.

What does the event cost and who is covering these costs?

The total actual budgeted cost for this event is \$301,000. Sponsorships, both cash and in-kind donations will cover these costs. Please see budget page for top-line budget items.

Next Step

Sponsorships will fill quickly. Please contact us for next steps.

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LONGER TABLES

Longer Tables is committed to seeing cities, organizations, companies and neighborhoods become places where humans experience true connection and belonging.

We believe the common table and shared meal holds the explosive potential to

rehumanize people, battle loneliness, fight division and empower collaboration.



Through our *Leadership Journey*, we are forming leaders who are creating cultures of belonging, hospitality and health

through whole-hearted, true-self leadership.

Since 2013, over 10,000 humans have connected at tables across the United States.

WE BRING PEOPLE FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE TOGETHER TO CREATE **CONNECTION + BELONGING** THROUGH SHARED MEALS.

WE CREATE

Longer Table gatherings + connection experiences.

WE HELP

Cities, companies + organizations set tables.

WE FORM LEADERS

Who lead from a place of wholeness and true identity, creating connected and thriving communities through our six-month *Leadership Journey*.



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NEWS ARTICLE



SHORT FILM



SHORT DOCUMENTARY