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Plans for the World's Tallest Flagpole and Most Comprehensive Veterans Memorial to be Unveiled in Maine

The Park will create thousands of jobs and catalyze year-round economic opportunity

WHAT:

Born from a desire to advance unity and patriotism in America, the founder of *Wreaths Across America*, Morrill Worcester, will unveil *Flagpole of Freedom Park* – an apolitical project 12 years in the making. This Park will become the **only place in the county to honor all 24 million American veterans in one location**. Standing taller than the Empire State Building, the Park will **fly the world's largest American flag from the tallest flagpole in the world**, symbolizing the commitment and sacrifice veterans make to protect America's freedom.

The Park will humanize key milestones that have shaped American history, and will feature immersive educational experiences and living history museums. **Phase 1 will open on July 4, 2026 – America's 250th birthday.**

Located in Columbia Falls, the large-scale project will catalyze economic development for the State of Maine, creating an estimated **8,000+ year-round jobs and \$27M in tax revenue**. It also aims to stabilize population decline in <u>Washington County</u> and build Maine's workforce.

WHEN: Tuesday, March 29, 2022

11:00 a.m.

WHERE: Augusta Civic Center (Kennebec/Penobscot Room)

76 Community Drive, Augusta, ME

WHO: Morrill Worcester, Founder & Chairman of the Board, Flagpole of Freedom

General Daniel Allyn, 4-Star General, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army

Senator Marianne Moore (R), Washington County Maine

Chris Gardner, Washington County Commissioner Tony Santiago, Chair, Columbia Falls Select Board

Maine Tourism Alliance, Maine State Chamber of Commerce Tricia Thurston, American Legion, Department of Maine

DETAILS: Flagpole of Freedom Park: https://www.flagpoleoffreedom.com/launch/