

Defund the Kennedy Shrine

Like any welfare queen standing in line for the government handout she supposedly "deserves", Vicki Kennedy (widow of former Senator Ted Kennedy) is lining up as well.

Informing the editorial board of the Boston Herald last May, America's newest welfare queen announced she would graciously accept no more than \$68 million from the American taxpayer for the Ted Kennedy Institute for the U.S. Senate.¹

So after having already received \$38 million in taxpayer funding for the project, Kennedy's widow is asking for an additional \$30 million, all but committing American taxpayers to be on the financial hook.



"We're not shying away from Teddy's legacy here,"

-- Vicki Kennedy, Boston Herald, May 6th, 2010

ACTION: Members of Congress should actively target the Kennedy Shrine and prohibit any future taxpayer monies from being dedicated to this pork project.

Congress is currently looking for ways to reduce spending. If the Kennedy family wants to build a shrine for the late senator, let Kennedy's rich friends finance the Kennedy Shrine -- not working families and certainly not taxpayers!

To date, TVC has discovered three major appropriations for the Kennedy shrine in 2009 and 2010 budgets.

- In FY 2009 budget:
 - **\$5,813,000** was funneled through the Labor Department and Department of Health & Human Services spending bill.
- In the FY 2010 budget:
 - **\$18,900,000** was funneled through the Defense spending bill.
 - **\$13,600,000** was funneled through the Labor Department and Department of Health & Human Services spending bill.

These three appropriations come to **a whopping \$38.3 million! (so far)**

ACTION: Congress should immediately demand a refund of the \$38 million -- re-directed to the Ted Kennedy Shrine in Boston -- from the millionaire Kennedys.

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¹ Vicki Kennedy defends tax funds for Kennedy Institute, Boston Herald, May 6th, 2010