

AOC on Capitol Hill



Capitol	House Office Buildings	Senate Office Buildings	Library of Congress	Judiciary	Other Capitol Facilities
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<p>1 U.S. Capitol The U.S. Capitol stands as the focal point of the government's Legislative Branch. In addition to its active use by Congress, the Capitol houses iconic American art, architecture and history.</p>	<p>4 Cannon House Office Building Occupied in 1908, the Cannon House Office Building is the oldest congressional office building.</p>	<p>8 Russell Senate Office Building Occupied in 1909 to relieve overcrowding in the U.S. Capitol, the Russell Senate Office Building is the oldest of the Senate office buildings.</p>	<p>11 Library of Congress Thomas Jefferson Building Modeled after the Paris Opera House, construction of the Library of Congress Thomas Jefferson Building was completed in 1897. It was immediately considered to be the most beautiful, educational and interesting building in Washington, D.C.</p>	<p>14 Supreme Court Building Finished and occupied in 1935, the Supreme Court's great marble temple is a fitting home for the nation's Judicial Branch of government. Chief Justice William Howard Taft was behind the effort to move the Court out of the Capitol where it had been since 1801.</p>	<p>16 U.S. Botanic Garden The U.S. Botanic Garden informs visitors about the importance of plants to the well-being of humankind and to the planet. It has been administered through the Architect of the Capitol since 1934.</p>
<p>2 Capitol Grounds Designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, the Capitol Grounds are as important to American history as the Capitol Building itself and are host to national events and millions of visitors every year.</p>	<p>5 Longworth House Office Building Completed in 1933, the Longworth Building is one of Washington, D.C.'s best examples of the Neo-Classical Revival architecture style.</p>	<p>9 Dirksen Senate Office Building Opened in 1958, the need for this building was driven by a large increase in professional Senate staff following World War II.</p>	<p>12 Library of Congress John Adams Building Construction for the second building to support the Library of Congress, the John Adams Building, was completed in 1938. When the building opened, the Library's shelving capacity tripled to 15 million volumes.</p>	<p>15 Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building Completed in 1992, the Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building houses agencies that support the work of the United States Federal Courts, including the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Federal Judicial Center and the United States Sentencing Commission.</p>	<p>17 Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building The Eney, Chestnut, Gibson Memorial Building was rehabilitated for use by the Capitol Police in 1984. In 1999, the building was named in honor of the force's members who had given their lives in the line of duty.</p>
<p>3 U.S. Capitol Visitor Center The Capitol Visitor Center is the gateway to Congress for visitors from around the world and offers free tours Monday through Saturday.</p>	<p>6 Rayburn House Office Building The largest House office building at 2.3 million square feet, it is also the newest, and was occupied in 1965.</p>	<p>10 Hart Senate Office Building The largest Senate building at 1.2 million square feet, the Hart Senate Office Building is also the most recent, opening in 1982.</p>	<p>13 Library of Congress James Madison Memorial Building The James Madison Memorial Building is the largest library structure in the world, encompassing 2.1 million square feet of space.</p>	<p>18 Capitol Power Plant Constructed in 1910 to provide steam and electricity to the Capitol, the Capitol Power Plant has since been expanded to operate 24 hours per day, 365 days per year to provide steam and chilled water to heat and cool 23 facilities on or near Capitol Hill.</p>	

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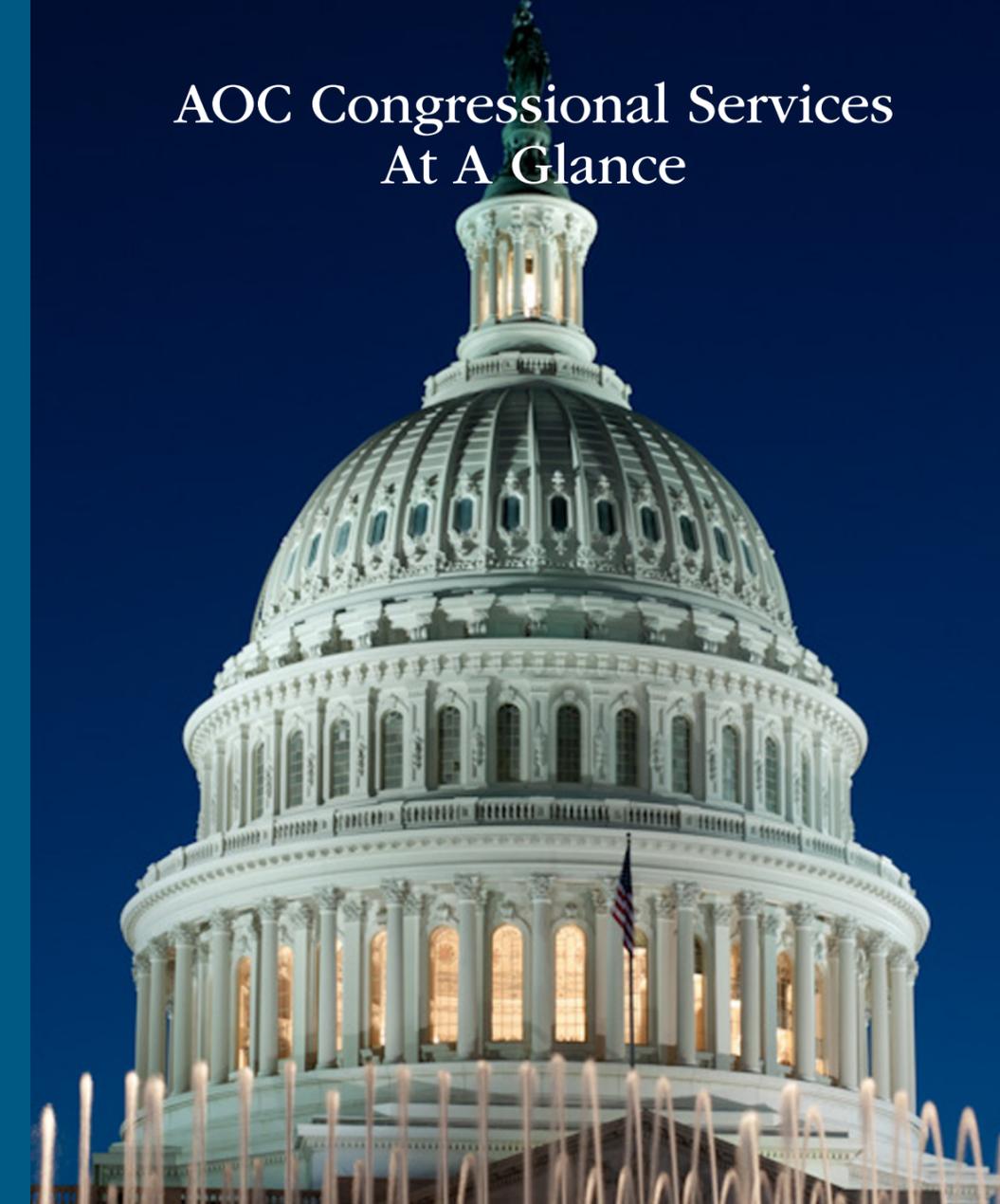
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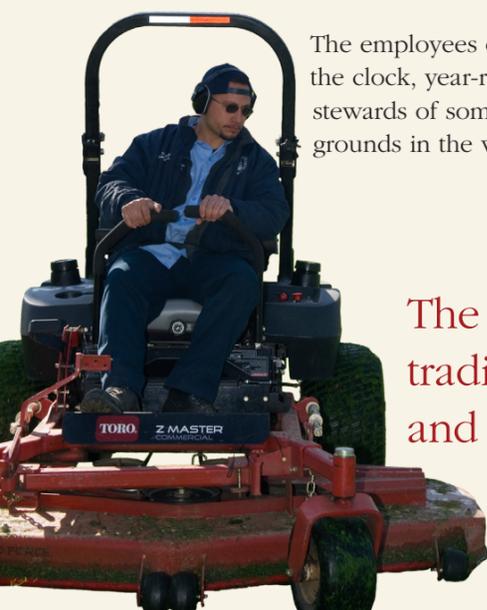


About the Architect of the Capitol

The Architect of the Capitol (AOC) is responsible to the United States Congress and the Supreme Court for the maintenance, operation, development and preservation of 17.4 million square feet of buildings and more than 460 acres of land throughout Capitol Hill. This includes the House and Senate office buildings, the U.S. Capitol, U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, the Library of Congress buildings, the Supreme Court buildings, the U.S. Botanic Garden, the Capitol Power Plant and other facilities.

The AOC also provides professional expertise with regard to the preservation of architectural and artistic elements entrusted to its care, and provides recommendations concerning design, construction and maintenance of the facilities and grounds.

The AOC is also responsible for the upkeep and improvement of the Capitol Grounds, and the arrangement of inaugural ceremonies and other ceremonies held in the building or on the grounds.



The employees of the AOC work non-stop, around the clock, year-round, serving the nation as proud stewards of some of the most iconic buildings and grounds in the world.

The AOC is rooted in traditional craftsmanship and historic preservation.

AOC Services

U.S. Capitol Superintendent's Office

The AOC Capitol Building Superintendent's Office is responsible for the day-to-day structural, mechanical and domestic care of the Capitol Building and the Capitol Visitor Center.

Services available through the Capitol Service Center include: cable and TV, furniture and cabinet installation, keys and lock-out service, heating and air conditioning, cleaning and trash removal, recycling, plumbing and electrical, special events set-up, office and decorative painting, and pest control.

U.S. Capitol Service Center: 202.228.8800
 Monday-Friday 6 a.m. - 11 p.m.*
 Saturday-Sunday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.*

*Will remain open if Congress is in session.

House Superintendent's Office

The AOC House Office Buildings Superintendent's Office is responsible for the day-to-day structural, mechanical and domestic care of the House office buildings: Cannon, Longworth, Rayburn and Ford.

Services available through the House Service Center include: cable and TV, cabinet installation, keys and lock-out services, heating and air-conditioning, cleaning and trash removal, plumbing and electrical, office and decorative painting, and pest control.

House Service Center: 202.225.4141
 24 hours a day, seven days a week

Senate Superintendent's Office

The AOC Senate Office Buildings Superintendent's Office is responsible for the day-to-day structural, mechanical and domestic care of the Senate office buildings: Russell, Dirksen and Hart.

Services available through the Senate Service Center include: cable and TV, furniture (new and repairs), cabinet installation, keys and lock-out services, heating and air conditioning, cleaning and trash removal, recycling, plumbing and electrical, special events set-up and coordination, office and decorative painting, and pest control.

Senate Service Center: 202.224.3141
 24 hours a day, seven days a week

U.S. Botanic Garden

The U.S. Botanic Garden (USBG) is a living plant museum that informs visitors about the importance, and often irreplaceable value, of plants to the well-being of humans and to earth's fragile ecosystems. The USBG's Conservatory is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily, including all weekends and holidays.

Congressional staff and members interested in hosting an event at the USBG should contact the special events coordinator at 202.226.7674 or visit www.usbg.gov for more information.



Capitol Flags

The AOC fulfills all flag requests from members of the United States Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives. Flags are flown daily year-round, weather permitting, excluding Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. After it is flown over the Capitol, each flag is issued a keepsake Certificate of Authenticity by the Architect of the Capitol.

Constituent requests for flags must be made through a United States senator's or representative's office. For more information and resources visit www.aoc.gov/capitolflags.

Flag Office: 202.228.4239
 Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

U.S. Capitol Visitor Center

The Capitol Visitor Center (CVC) is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. It is closed on Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Inauguration Day.

Information for congressional staff and members regarding obtaining passes for constituent visitors, booking meeting rooms within the CVC and training for giving tours of the Capitol is available at cvc.aoc.gov or by calling the CVC executive office at 202.593.1762.

Resources for Congressional Staff

Additional information for congressional staff is available at www.aoc.gov/staff. Here you may submit a service request, get shuttle information, read about projects and events happening on Capitol Hill, learn about art and architecture in the Capitol and much more.