

# The Sacramento JACL

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## The Nisei Hall

### Capital Restoration Project

In November 2024, the Sacramento JACL Board decided to undertake a major project. After discussing many issues, we decided to take on the restoration of Nisei Hall. A resilient landmark with deep historical significance, Nisei Hall, located at 1515 Fourth Street, stands among only a handful of structures remaining from the days when Sacramento Japantown was a vibrant element of a multiethnic community which existed prior to World War II and postwar redevelopment.

When Sacramento Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) posts refused to accept Japanese American veterans as members, the Sacramento's Nisei veterans formed their own post in 1947, meeting initially at the Buddhist Church recreation hall until 1955 when funds raised from both Nisei VFW Post 8985 and Sacramento JACL were used to purchase and transform the Flower Garden Restaurant into what is now Nisei Hall.

Today, the Nisei Hall remains in active use by the VFW Nisei Post and Sacramento JACL, also hosting a broad variety of other community organizations and activities and serving as a reminder of Sacramento's Japanese American history. A civil liberties monument placed on the outside edge of the property with interpretive panels, text and photographs describes Sacramento's Japantown and the Japanese American incarceration during World War II.

To do this, we need YOUR help. Please contribute what you can to the Nisei Hall Restoration Project by donating using your phone through the QR code below, or email [sacjacinfo@yahoo.com](mailto:sacjacinfo@yahoo.com) or by going to <https://form.jotform.com/250785734273060>. Any amount will be gratefully accepted. You can also donate by purchasing a plaque to be placed on the Memorial Wall (scheduled to be dedicated in Sept. 2025) at Nisei Hall.

