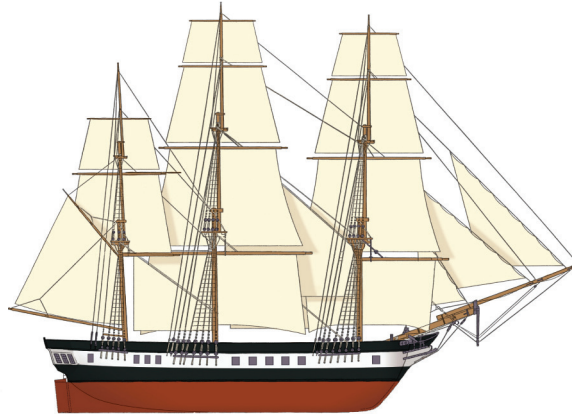


SSV Oliver Hazard Perry
Rhode Island's Education at Sea Tall Ship



***An invitation to join the
Oliver Hazard Perry Plank Owner Program***

To build the most innovative and entrepreneurial ocean classroom and administer experiential education programs that have a definitive impact on academic proficiencies, character development, and career opportunities, Oliver Hazard Perry Rhode Island (OHPRI) seeks philanthropic investors as visionary participants in its OHP Plank Owner Program.

Full subscription in the OHP Plank Owner Program will secure \$400,000 in funding, while an OHP Shipbuilding Syndicate Program attracts an additional \$2.3 million in support.

Over \$925,000 has been raised in the past year and a half for this project.

Please consider a generous investment at one of these important levels of support.

FIFTEEN \$10,000 OHP PLANK OWNERS

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- OHP Plank Owners may make a pledge over a period of up to two years.
- OHP Plank Owners receive distinct benefits.
- OHPRI also administers a successful Shipbuilding Syndicate Program for donors of more than \$10,000 which is viewable on www.ohpri.org. Please contact David Guertin at 401.619.3990 or david@vantageinphilanthropy.com to discuss this major gift program.

OHPRI is dedicated to commissioning *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry*, the largest active education at sea tall ship in the U.S. operated by a nonprofit organization. To accomplish this goal, we must raise \$2.7 million in philanthropic funds in 2010 & 2011.

Oliver Hazard Perry Rhode Island (OHPRI) is a deliberate and strategic transformation of Tall Ships Rhode Island formerly chaired by Vice Admiral Thomas R. Weschler, USN, (Ret.). This highly regarded nonprofit effectively managed three world-class Tall Ships events in Rhode Island within ten years.

OHPRI is redirecting its collective experience in sail training programs, financial management, marketing and organization building, in order to become the most innovative and effective experiential education organization in Rhode Island. This objective is meant to increase the academic, character and career enrichment opportunities for Rhode Island's youth, as well as their families, educators and mentors.

OHPRI's specifically-designed school ship, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry*, and the carefully developed educational programs that will be administered from this ocean-going classroom, are now being built upon successful models proven to be financially sustainable and educationally successful.

This \$4.2 million project has already attracted \$925,000 in charitable contributions. As a result of this early funding, OHPRI acquired the seaworthy hull of the former *HMS Detroit* for \$325,000, which has had over \$1.5 million invested into its design and construction.

The remaining \$2.7 million in charitable contributions, combined with a pending \$1.5 million Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation guaranteed BankNewport loan will enable OHPRI to begin construction in 2010 with a commissioning in 2012.

OHPRI's objectives for the *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* include:

- Offer a broad understanding of the world's oceans through interdisciplinary curricula.
- Demanding academics on shore followed by an experiential application at sea.
- The ability of educators and students to collect and use ocean, coastal, weather and climate data in inquiry and evidence-based activities from a technologically-driven environmentally-clean sailing vessel.
- Academic credit to colleges and universities.
- The ability to work one-on-one with educators in an informal setting.
- The ability to develop self-esteem, confidence and teamwork skills.
- The opportunity to plan and conduct research projects utilizing new technologies with visual and measurement equipment and devices, computer and web applications, and remotely operated vehicles.
- Provide preprofessional training for individuals wishing to make a career at sea or in the marine trades.
- Represent Rhode Island's marine trades and the State of Rhode Island in American and foreign ports.
- Promote Rhode Island's naval heritage as a cultural symbol.

OHPRI has carefully developed a revenue-generating business plan based upon successful models. Upon commissioning in 2012, OHPRI will begin to fulfill an approximate \$1.4 million annual operating budget which employs as many as 17 people in shore side operations and as professional crew of the *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry*. The ship will carry a certificate of inspection for up to 49 persons for overnight accommodation, and approximately 100 for day sails. *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will be able to enroll approximately 2,000 students annually, and thousands will be able to tour the ship while in Newport and other ports.

When not performing its education at sea objectives offshore (approximately 40 weeks per year), *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will be prominently displayed and available to the public in Newport, RI. Thus, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will strengthen our tourism industry and add value to the visitor experience in Newport.



The hull of Rhode Island's future education at sea tall ship, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry*, towed by *Hope* on its way to Providence for major construction work.
photo courtesy of Onne van der Wal



This project is incredibly important to Rhode Island's marine trades industry. Thus, as well as becoming an educational and cultural asset, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* is first and foremost a job retention lifeline, estimated to employ approximately 50 skilled workers over the next two years.

In preparation for a professional nonprofit business and staff, OHPRI has entered into a favorable lease with Newport Restoration Foundation to occupy the historic Perry House on Washington Square. Sponsored by two generous individual donors for two years, this new office also enables OHPRI to establish a visible public presence in the heart of a revitalized historic and cultural area of Newport.

SSV Oliver Hazard Perry will be fully operational and nationally prominent by the bicentennial activities of 2012-2014. As a result, Rhode Island will be well positioned to benefit from international publicity regarding Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry's accomplishments during the War of 1812.

From engineering systems, to navigation, to ship handling, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will also serve as an invaluable training and skill building platform for anyone interested in careers in our marine and boating industries. OHPRI will have the opportunity to collaborate with career training institutions throughout Rhode Island.

Collaborating with public and private schools, colleges and universities, and educational and cultural organizations, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will be a flexible ocean classroom, equipped with scientific equipment, such as a lab van and remotely operated vehicles that help increase student proficiency in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields of study.

SHIPBUILDING & ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

A total of \$4.2 million is needed to accomplish OHPRI's shipbuilding, organizational and education program development plans. Warren naval architect David Bonney has been engaged to develop the shipbuilding plans. Bonney recently designed the full-rigged ship *Friendship of Salem* for the National Park Service, and designed the *Alletta Morris* for Save the Bay. First phase shipbuilding will be accomplished by Promet Marine Services which employs qualified pipe fitters and trade craftsmen certified to standards required by the U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard and American Bureau of Shipping.

DESIGN & BUILD PHASE I OVERVIEW:

PROMET

Naval Architectural Design Package	\$252,855
Exterior-Interior Hull and Deck Steelwork	918,168
Operating Systems Installations	952,550
Management, Certifications, Insurance, Legal	196,181
Total Design & Build Phase I Expense	\$2,319,754

DESIGN & BUILD PHASE II OVERVIEW:

NEWPORT

Naval Architectural Design Package	\$68,040
Exterior-Interior Steelwork	54,425
Management, Certifications, Insurance, Legal	172,753
Interior Finishes, Furnishings and Electronics	148,499
Deck Hardware and Equipment	95,141
Rigging and Sails	662,000
Site Management	188,900
Total Design & Build Phase II Expense	\$1,389,758

TOTAL BUDGET

Design & Build Phase I	\$2,319,754
Design & Build Phase II	1,389,758
Organization & Education Program Planning	481,200

TOTAL **\$4,190,712**

Upon completion of the major steel and mechanical systems installation at Promet Marine Services, resulting in 75% completion of the shipbuilding project, *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will be moved to State Pier Nine at Long Wharf in Newport for Phase II. *SSV Oliver Hazard Perry* will be viewable as an educational public exhibit, while this phase is accomplished, to help build publicity and interest in the education programs to commence upon commissioning in 2012.

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