



# New Jersey Buddhist Vihara & Meditation Center

**URGENT NEED TO RAISE \$250K TO OCCUPY BUILDING**



**CURRENT PHOTO OF ILLUMINATED BUDDHA STATUE**

**Dear Devotees & Friends of Dhamma:**

Thanks to the generous donations from our devotees, the major contribution of \$3.5 million from Mr. Roshan Wijerama and his family foundation, and a bank loan of \$1.3 Million, about 95% of the New Jersey Buddhist Vihara (NJBV) building project has been completed (see attached photos). These include connection of all utilities, HVAC, interior & exterior building finishes, installation of toilets, parking lot lighting, etc. **The only major items remaining to obtain a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO) to start using the building are paving the road and constructing the sidewalks estimated at \$250,000.00.**

To raise the \$250K, we embarked on a program in May 2025, titled "Help Us Pave the Way" for devotees to sponsor the construction of the parking lot at \$5/sf (with a minimum 20sf donation). As we want to complete the paving before winter, we are planning to accelerate and expand that program by requesting donors (as a group or individually) to sponsor each of the 76 parking spaces at \$2,500/space. We have listed a few options below and we would genuinely appreciate it if you could select one of the options and advise a Fundraising Committee member below, or Ven. Sirirathana.

Donation Options (\$2,500/parking space)	Total Commitment (\$)	Will Fund by (Date)
One time donation between \$2,500 - \$5,000		

Note: Payment can be made by check, zelle, or as a Tax Benefit Stock Donation.

*(Please note that the NJBV is a religious tax-exempt organization and all donations to the temple will qualify for a tax deduction as defined by section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.)*

In memory/honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Members of the Fundraising Committee</b>	
Amal Kaluarachchi	Lakith Leelasena
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