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Coventry Woman Working To Build State's First Vietnam War Memorial

***She Is Trying To Raise
Another \$12,000***

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COVENTRY, Conn. -- A Coventry woman is leading the charge to build what would be Connecticut's first Vietnam War memorial.

Jean Risley is working to raise about \$12,000 to build the memorial. It is estimated to cost a total of \$24,000, and nearly half of that has already been raised.

The memorial would be made of black granite, modeled on the national Vietnam War memorial in Washington, D.C.

Risley's brother served in Vietnam, and she told NBC 30 that he is her inspiration.

"It just means that 612 men will finally be memorialized. It has been 41 years, and no one has done this."

The Coventry town council has already voted unanimously to place the memorial on the Memorial Green across from Patriots Park.

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