Our Mission:

The Byrd Center advances representative democracy by promoting a better understanding of the United States Congress and the Constitution through programs and research that engage citizens.

Our Vision:

To recognize Congress as the fulcrum of representative democracy in the United States and facilitate a greater understanding of the legislative branch, both historically and in a contemporary setting, through the preservation of its documentary heritage, research, and programming that focuses on the Constitution, civic education, and Congress' central role as a co-equal branch of government.