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AN INSPIRATION FOR ROSIE THE RIVETER WAS ROSE WILL MONROE, WHO WORKED AS A RIVETER AT THE WILLOW RUN PLANT DURING WORLD WAR II



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SEPTEMBER - WILLOW RUN BOMBER PLANT DELIVERS FIRST COMPLETED B-24 LIBERATOR TO THE U.S. ARMY

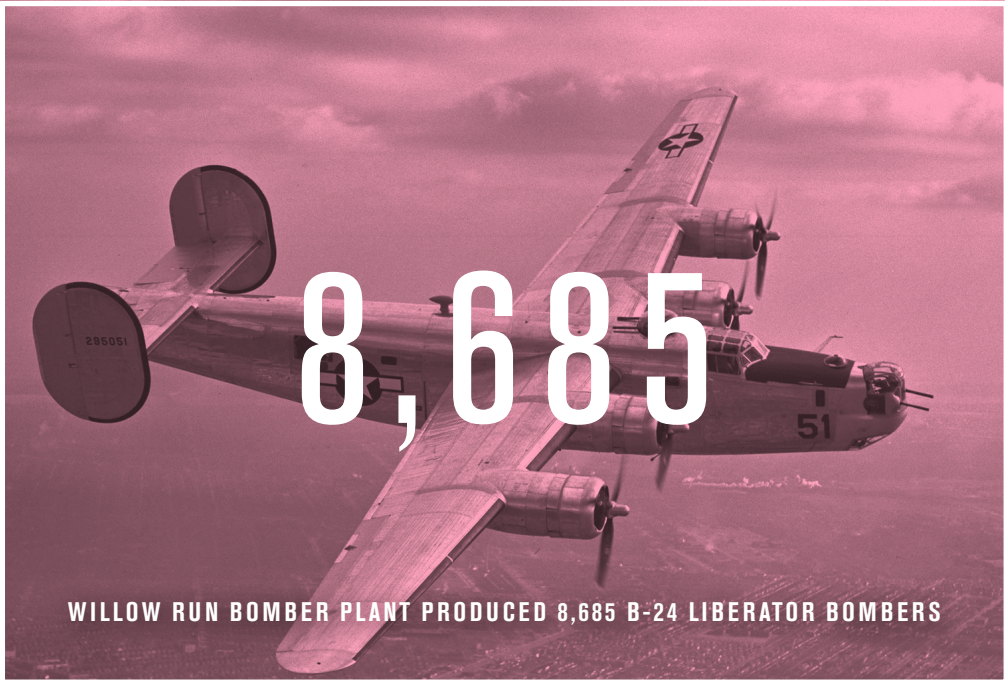
# — HONOR FLIGHT — FOR REAL-LIFE ROSIES

Ford Motor Company Fund this month is honoring the women who left their homes to build the Arsenal of Democracy during World War II. More than 15,000 women worked at Ford's Willow Run Bomber Plant during the war, part of the Rosie the Riveter cultural icon that embodied not only service to country, but expanding opportunities for women in the workforce.



15,000

42,000 PEOPLE WORKED AT WILLOW RUN BOMBER PLANT, INCLUDING 15,000 WOMEN



8,685

WILLOW RUN BOMBER PLANT PRODUCED 8,685 B-24 LIBERATOR BOMBERS



3.5 MILLION

WILLOW RUN BOMBER PLANT HAD 3.5 MILLION SQUARE FEET OF FACTORY SPACE, AND AN AIRCRAFT ASSEMBLY LINE MORE THAN ONE MILE LONG