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Elizabeth Gallaway
Director
Grafton Public Library
35 Grafton Common
Grafton, MA 01519

Beth,

During the month of June, Blackburn Building Conservation LLC performed restoration treatments on the sandstone and concrete columns at the Grafton Public Library. Due to weather conditions and poor repairs, the column bases were cracked and in poor condition.



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Using a Cleaning agent, all surfaces were cleaned prior to restoration. A custom color matched mortar was used to cast missing elements and patch cracks. Flexible epoxy was used to repair elements that had become detached or dislodged.



Lastly the columns were coated with a breathable clear coating to offer protection from environmental conditions. Columns after Restoration



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******Based on our observations, it would be advisable to install bird netting at the top of each of the capitals to protect the bases from staining due to bird guano.**

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