

Final Report: Marblehead Garden Club, Marblehead, MA Herb Garden Restoration Project

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Amount Received: \$750.00

The grant money has been used to facilitate the Herb Garden Restoration Project, which began ahead of schedule in March 2020. Specifically, this project has: restored the 1942 Paul Frost landscape plan at the 1768 Lee Mansion, a designated National Historic Landmark in the heart of Marblehead’s Historic District; reinvigorated the garden history of the Lee Mansion through collaboration with the Marblehead Museum & Historical Society (“MMHS”); revitalized the herb garden by refreshing the hardscape and plant material to align with Frost’s 1942 plan and the period of significance of the 1768 Lee Mansion; and revealed a landscape plan that is more than 75 years old and historically significant to the club as its first project, and to the MMHS and the community. It is worth highlighting that the project followed the 1942 Frost plan because this plan is the earliest existing primary source material of the Lee Mansion garden. Also, the impact and significance of the pandemic on the project cannot be overstated. On the positive side, we had lots of helping hands while people were distancing and quarantining at home, but on the negative side, plant stock inventory was low and inconsistent. To date, we have completed our transplanting and plantings as indicated in our original application and we look forward to welcoming the committee in the garden on Wednesday, August 18, 2021. The before and after pictures are taken from the granite steps, looking north along the east side of the Mansion, showing the north walkway, a portion of the north lawn, and the north section where the beach stone cobble hardscape has been restored according to the 1942 Frost Plan.

Herb Garden Project	Amounts	Totals
Contractor Invoices	\$ 16,944.79	\$ 16,944.79
Tape Flagging markers	\$ 18.03	\$ 16,962.82
Soil/compost for triangles	\$ 59.91	\$ 17,022.73
Member donated supplies	\$ -	\$ 17,022.73
Member donated plants	\$ -	\$ 17,022.73
Santolina	\$ 63.75	\$ 17,086.48
Tiarella	\$ 214.62	\$ 17,301.10
Phlox divaricata	\$ 47.88	\$ 17,348.98
Digitalis purpurea	\$ 47.88	\$ 17,396.86
Echinacea and Joe Pye	\$ 114.49	\$ 17,511.35
Rabbit repellent organic	\$ 24.95	\$ 17,536.30
Project Expenditures=>		\$ 17,536.30
GCFM Grant Amount	\$ 750.00	\$ 16,786.30
Marblehead Garden Club Contribution=>		\$ 16,786.30

