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Fuller Craft Museum Awarded \$1,000,000 Grant

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Fuller Craft Museum is pleased to announce that the organization is the recipient of a generous \$1,000,000 grant from an Anonymous Foundation. The grant will support critical capital and building improvements, including addressing deferred maintenance. The grant is one of the largest in the institution's 55-year history.

"This grant is transformational in nature and will have effect on all aspects of our mission. From community programming, to dynamic exhibitions, to early arts education, having well-cared for and secured facilities is at the heart of our every-day work and is important for long term investment and planning. We are deeply grateful to our funders for making this possible," says Executive Director, Erin McGough.

The grant is expected to fully fund important improvements in HVAC and generator systems, as well as the replacement of a major portion of the roof and cedar shake siding on the 20,000 square foot building. These necessary capital investments in both the interior and exterior of the building will provide a dramatic, visible improvement to the Museum campus.

Fuller Craft has demonstrated ongoing investment in its building; in the past 3 years, projects have included replacing windows and upgrading the accessible lift, improved drainage and parking, as well as HVAC and plumbing changes. Fuller Craft Museum proudly partners with local and regional contractors for the majority of investment in building.

Fuller Craft Museum was built in 1969 by Boston architectural firm J. Timothy Anderson & Associates of Boston (now Finegold Alexander + Associates Inc.) with project supervisor Doris Cole. The two-level museum encompasses 20,000 square feet of space built in the "organic modernist" aesthetic. Fuller Craft Museum is set on 19 acres of woods, an intimate and peaceful retreat next to Upper Porter Pond and D.W. Field Park.

"It is so nice to celebrate the gem we have in Brockton, the Fuller Craft Museum, and the generous gift allowing us to polish and display this extraordinary attraction for all to enjoy. Kudos to Museum Director, Erin McGough and the leadership team for acquiring such a generous gift beneficial to so many in the city and throughout the region."

- Christopher Cooney, President & CEO of the Metro South Chamber of Commerce

Fuller Craft Museum is New England's only museum dedicated to contemporary craft. Through exhibitions, collections, education, and public programs, Fuller Craft Museum challenges perceptions and builds appreciation of the material world while inspiring, stimulating, and enriching an ever-expanding community.

Fuller Craft is free admission (suggested donations welcome) and open to the public 6 days a week, Tuesday – Sunday (10am - 5pm). To learn more, please visit fullercraft.org or call 508-588-6000.

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