

Soapstone School Undergoes Renovation

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The once thriving Liberia Community was again bustling with activity in early June as more than a dozen volunteers from Greenville-based Harper General Contractors descended on the site to renovate the historic one-room school that for decades served community residents as the only school for African American children in the area.

Soapstone Preservation Endowment Chairman Carlton Owen noted, “Renovation of the school is the first of many projects that we plan to undertake. When the rehab is finished, we will furnish and open the school to visitors.” Owen continued, “We could not be more pleased and appreciative that the Harper company generously adopted the building as a community service project.”

Volunteers from Harper and some of their partner firms, including Goodwyn Mills Cawood (GMC), continue to put finishing touches on the work with a targeted opening in early spring 2025.



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