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## AN ALLEYWAY TRANSFORMED

Thanks to the generosity of the Alperin family of Needham, an amazing transformation has occurred! In the alleyway between Scorby's Camera and Quince restaurant, a once broken, sloping walkway and sidewalk has been recreated as a "used brick" walkway with "cobblestone" accents.

The new walkway, which is in fact a continuously solid surface, uses colored concrete that is stamped to create a realistic, architecturally integrated surface that requires little maintenance and is access compliant. Stroll or roll through and check it out!

I also want to thank the always-knowledgeable Tony DelGaizo of the Engineering Department of Needham DPW, Rhain Hoyland, Alan Viall, Erik Lannigan and his crew, for the careful and professional work they did. They contributed to the design, removed the old asphalt and broken sidewalk, made the sidewalk cuts, reset and repainted the curbing and prepared the site perfectly for the next phase.

**New England Hardscapes** was chosen to install the finished product based upon their solid reputation, attention to detail, proactive follow-up and flexibility. During the initial planning, salesperson Mike Vorse consulted on the design, coordinated the permitting and worked with the DPW to sequence the phases. When the site was prepared, the installation team was on time, professional, efficient and paid attention to the details as they worked against the clock (how long does it take for concrete to set?)

On behalf of the Revitalization Trust Fund Committee, I thank you all for being the professionals you are and having a genuine desire to make possibility a reality.

The Revitalization Trust Fund is a nonprofit town trust established in 1999. We have completed more than 30 projects since then, and all of our projects are privately funded by you, your friends and neighbors. Please call me if your family or organization would like to help transform Needham's public spaces into even better places to live and work.

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