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The project's primary goal was the replacement of the original steam-heating system. The total project cost included the $350,000 grant awarded with $96,000 additional funds provided by the University. The project was ultimately successful in providing a replacement for the existing steam heating system and reducing energy consumption. The project was completed on schedule and within budget. The new system is more efficient and provides better heating throughout the building.
Throughout the initial two-month time period of the project, visitors on all floors were informed of the project. Throughout this phase, the remaining funds previously earmarked for the U-V lights were not completed.

Although the historic renovation funds were available for this portion of the project, interior electrical work required a change order that depleted the remaining funds. Therefore, this phase was not completed.

Although the historic renovation funds were previously approved by the University, the historic renovation funds were not completed due to increased costs associated with work order changes, which were required by the University. Consequently, the last component of the proposed project, installation of U-V lights, was not completed.

The project was completed in December because of the impending change in ownership, the University elected to close the building. Because of the project's completion, the University decided to close the building. Because of the dusty and loud work going on throughout the building, it drove the decision to close the building.

Collection, selecting sources for future print analysis, was required. This approach to protect the collections was required for a longer period than originally scheduled.

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and replacing an antiquated system that threatened the collection and building.

In summary, we accomplished the goal of creating a better environment in Henry Ford’s Power House for future generations. We are grateful for the support we received to implement this heating system replacement project.

In the upcoming year, our current website will include further information about the project. Our anticipates re-opening the site with new on-site and virtual programming in the upcoming year. Our site and consultants have visited the Power House over the past year and have learned of the project. We are excited to share our experiences on the property, allowing us to share more focused experiences on the property.

During 2017, we have had limited, but more focused experiences on the property, expanding our efforts in conserving and promoting our facility. Our educational programs were designed to connect with our current efforts in conserving.

The Power House hydro-electric generating room traditionally focused on sustainability and educational opportunities. The focus of the project was placed on our website and released through the University.

In conclusion, we were able to connect to our current efforts in conserving and utilizing technology to enhance the experience. Learning about the focus of the project and the work to date, interpretation in the Power House was enhanced.