

## Fayerweather Island Lighthouse, Bridgeport



*Credit: Frank Kronenberger*

The SHPO awarded Hurricane Sandy disaster relief funds to the City of Bridgeport for the rehabilitation of the Fayerweather Island Lighthouse (a.k.a. Black Rock Harbor Lighthouse) at Bridgeport's Seaside Park in two phases. Phase I reset and expanded the stone revetment protecting the lighthouse and repaired the structure's foundation. Phase II included paint removal, masonry pointing; repairs to brick corbels, the lantern slab, and iron railings; and coatings, including a graffiti-resistant layer.

The 60-foot-high stone and brick lighthouse at Fayerweather Island was constructed c. 1823, making it one of the oldest lighthouses in New England. The lighthouse was deactivated in 1932. (The lightkeeper's house was destroyed by fire in the 1970s.) It is a contributing structure in the Seaside Park National Register Historic District.