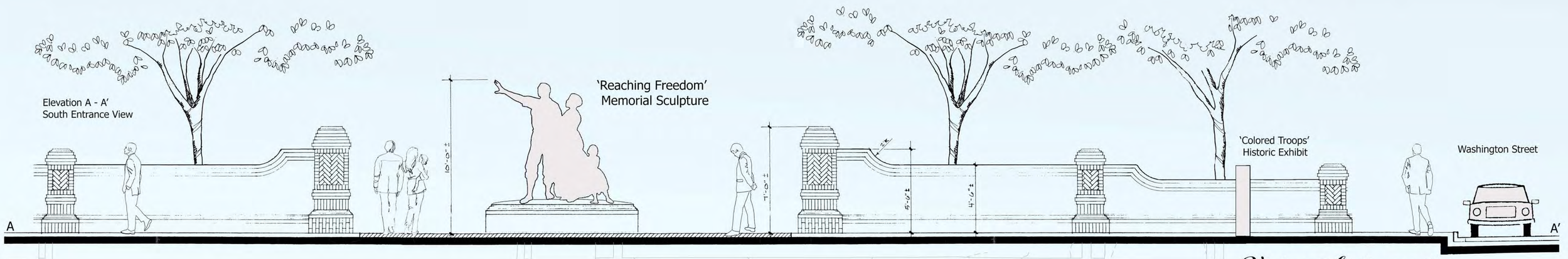
Reaching Freedom

Contrabands and Freedmen's Cemetery Memorial



10 SCALE PLAN

Vision Statement

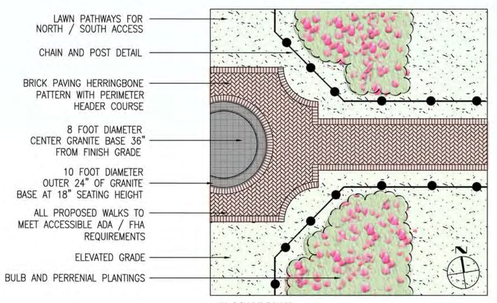
The **Reaching Freedom** memorial sculpture and cemetery reflects the courageous efforts of Alexandria's freed men, women, and children and provides a solemn and reverent place to commemorate, educate and honor more than 1,800 people buried at the site.

The primary memorial provides a focal point dedicated to educate visitors about the struggles of thousands of Contrabands and Freedmen who sought refuge in Alexandria. The sculpture not only represents freedom from slavery, but also the perseverance of the City of Alexandria to "free" this cemetery from years of neglect and to reclaim the largest historic African American burial site in Alexandria.

The design concept has been developed to fully protect and respect the cemetery's graves. By elevating the grade above the archeological findings and by properly locating paving and walls, the design is able to preserve the graves while utilizing the existing concrete slabs to support the memorial sculpture and a Wall of Names.

The cemetery's boundary is demarcated with wrought iron fencing, freestanding brick walls and columns reminiscent of the historic 'Old' Alexandria and of an appropriate scale and style to match the adjacent neighborhood.

Site grading was carefully developed to meet accessibility requirements and to provide equal access to all. An ADA accessible walkway wraps behind the main cemetery, past a Native American exhibit area, to a contemplative area naturally shaped into a peaceful amphitheatre. The walk continues to the main gathering area at Washington Street which includes design elements honoring the United Colored Troops and the Underground Railroad.



Reaching Freedom Memorial Sculpture

10' HIGH BRONZE SCULPTURE PLACED ON 10' DIAMETER CIRCULAR GRANITE PEDESTAL BASE

Tulip and Wrought Iron Fence Detail

Amphitheatre Area

Wall of Names

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