



PROJECT GRACE

New Hanover County Public Library
216 North 2nd Street
Wilmington, North Carolina

Owner: New Hanover County

General Contractor: Monteith Construction

Roofing Contractor: Highland Roofing Company

Project Type: New Construction

Roof System: GAF PVC

Roof Size: 35,000 Square Feet

Project Duration: June 3, 2025 – October 15, 2025

Warranty: 20-Year GAF Manufacturer Warranty

Project Overview & Scope of Work

Highland Roofing Company completed the roofing installation for the new New Hanover County Public Library, known as Project Grace, located in the heart of downtown Wilmington.

This 35,000 square foot roofing system was installed as part of a new construction project led by Monteith Construction. The design included multiple roof elevations and transitions, requiring detailed coordination and careful execution to ensure long-term performance and watertight integrity.

Highland was selected based on its trusted working relationship with Monteith Construction and a strong track record on projects throughout New Hanover County.



The Challenge

Unlike many commercial projects, Project Grace offered virtually no excess staging space. The building sits directly along North 2nd Street in downtown Wilmington, leaving minimal room for equipment, material storage, and crew movement.

- The tight urban footprint required:
- Careful coordination of deliveries
- Efficient material handling
- Clear communication between trades
- Strict attention to safe pedestrian and street access

Additionally, as with most large-scale construction projects, the roofing installation followed a coordinated sequencing approach. Highland completed the initial water-tight phase before returning to finalize the system after adjacent trades completed their work.

Highland's Approach

Highland Roofing focused on proactive coordination and efficient execution to keep the project moving forward.

The team:

- Maintained clear communication with Monteith Construction and other trades
- Adapted scheduling to accommodate site constraints and material delays
- Executed installation across multiple roof levels with detailed attention to transitions and tie-ins
- Upheld strict safety standards throughout the duration of the project

Despite the challenges, Highland completed the roofing scope on schedule without compromising safety or quality.

Results

- 35,000 SF GAF PVC roofing system installed
- Multi-level roof design successfully completed
- Completed on schedule
- Passed inspection on the first review
- Zero safety incidents
- 20-Year GAF Manufacturer Warranty secured



Why Highland

Highland Roofing Company continues to be a trusted partner for Monteith Construction and public projects across New Hanover County. Repeat partnerships are built on reliability, responsiveness, and consistent performance — especially in demanding environments like downtown urban construction sites. Project Grace reflects Highland's ability to deliver efficient, high-quality roofing solutions, even when space is limited and conditions are complex.



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Vicki Walter is the Marketing & Operations Specialist at Highland Roofing Company, where she supports marketing initiatives, client relations, and community involvement. With a background in integrated marketing, she helps connect Highland's work with the clients and communities it serves. Vicki is involved with Cape Fear CREW and the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) as she continues to grow within the commercial construction industry.

