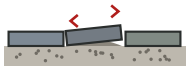
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Bluestone sidewalk repair

Read what the walk shows you, then do the smallest fix that lasts.

What do you see? Find the symptom, then the usual fix.



A slab rocks

The base under it has settled or washed out.

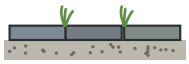
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An edge sticks up

A root or frost lifts it. Fix that first; ask an arborist before cutting a big root.

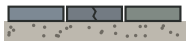
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Empty or weedy joints

The joint fill has washed out.

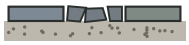
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A tight crack

Both halves still sit level and firm.

LEAVE IT



Broken into pieces

The pieces are loose and move underfoot.

REPLACE

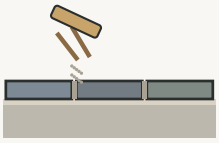


The whole walk sinks

It holds water: the base has failed.

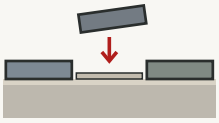
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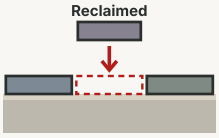
1. Scrape out old fill and weeds.
2. Sweep in stone dust or polymeric sand.
3. Wet it, let it settle, top up.

Reset



1. Lift the slab with a bar; set it aside.
2. Rebuild and compact the base, add a stone dust bed.
3. Set it back flush with its neighbors.

Replace



1. Measure the hole and the old slab's thickness.
2. Match a reclaimed slab: thickness first, then color.
3. Bed it so the top lines up; fill the joints.

Before you start

- ✓ **Check the rules**
  Town and historic district rules, permits.
- ✓ **Keep the pitch**
  About ¼" per foot, away from the house.
- ✗ **Not for car crossings**
  Slabs are too thin; use curbstone.

Matching old stone

- ✓ **Bring the numbers**
  Length, width and thickness.
- ✓ **Bring photos**
  Wet and dry, in daylight.
- ✓ **See it in person**
  Visit the yard and see the pallets.

Ordering

Walk area + 10% (12–15% with curves). A pallet covers about 100 ft².

New 4 × 25 ft walk = **100 ft²**
≈ **1 pallet**
For a repair, count only the slabs you replace.

Ways to buy

Reclaimed Northeast bluestone · every piece different · LEED material reuse

See it first

Come to the yard in Nanuet, NY. No appointment; call ahead and we'll be ready.

Steps, by the piece

Curbstone, 2–8 ft long, 14–20" deep, 4–6" thick. About 100 lb per foot.

Slabs, by the pallet

	3 ft slabs	4 ft slabs	5 ft slabs
Width	2–3 ft	2–4 ft	2–5 ft
Covers	~100 ft²	~100 ft²	~100 ft²

Full pallets only · 2–4" thick · ~3,950 lb · joints not counted

Count your slabs
Scan for the bluestone slab calculator: pallets for your area

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