

Forest Preserve District of Will County Bench Donation and Dedication Program

Assist the Forest Preserve in further enhancing its beautification efforts by sponsoring an attractive bench for placement along a trail or in a forest preserve.

Eligible Preserves and Trails

- Centennial Trail
- Forked Creek Preserve
- Goodenow Grove Nature Preserve
- Hadley Valley
- Hammel Woods
- Hickory Creek Preserve
- Isle a la Cache
- Joliet Iron Works Historic Site
- Kankakee Sands Preserve
- Lake Chaminwood Preserve
- Lake Renwick Preserve
- McKinley Woods
- Messenger Marsh
- Monee Reservoir
- Old Plank Road Trail
- Plum Valley Preserve
- Prairie Bluff Preserve
- Riverview Farmstead Preserve
- Rock Run Preserve
- Rock Run Rookery Preserve
- Wauponsee Glacial Trail
- Whalon Lake
- Vermont Cemetery Preserve
- Veterans Memorial Trail

Existing Bench Style



New Bench Style



Individuals, clubs or community groups are invited to participate by dedicating a bench in memory of a friend or family member, or to acknowledge a group or individual.

Forest Preserve District of Will County Bench Donation Terms and Guarantee

If interested in dedicating a bench, please read carefully through the following and provide the information requested on the reverse side.

Applicable Fees

The cost for a new bench, complete with memorial plaque, is \$2,500. Plaques can also be purchased individually for \$1,000 to be placed on existing benches. In keeping with the District's environmental ethic, all benches are made from recycled plastic.

Bench Plaque

The cast bronze plaques measure approximately 3"x8". The message on the plaque shall be a maximum of three (3) rows of twenty (20) characters per row, including spacing. Font shall be a standard character font. Logos, signs and/or symbols are not permitted. The Forest Preserve will have final approval of any and all text.

The inscription may contain the name of the donor(s), the name(s) of family member(s) or pet(s) of the donor(s). Donors may choose to accompany the name on the plaque with date(s) of birth, death, donation, "In Memory of," "In Honor of," "Beloved" or similar language. Donors will be provided with a proof of the plaque before engraving. Changes may be made at that time, and donors will be notified when plaques and benches are installed.

Installations

Bench installations will be completed once per year in the fall. Plaque installations on existing benches may be completed as they are received with an estimated timeframe of two months from the date of an approved application and receipt of fee. Timeframes for completion may be impacted by donor responsiveness. The fee is due prior to the start of work.

Guarantee

All benches and plaques are intended to be long-term donations. In the event the plaque or bench is damaged by natural or other causes, the District will replace the plaque at the District's expense up to one time and the bench as needed. If the plaque needs to be replaced more than once, the donor shall be responsible for the replacement cost of the plaque only (at cost). Installation will be provided by the District.

Bench and plaque donations will be maintained as part of the District's general maintenance efforts. The District has the right to temporarily remove the bench and, if necessary, relocate it within the same preserve or trail system. The District will make an effort to notify the donor in such instances. Donors are encouraged to keep their contact information current with the District.

Bench Donation Application

Donor Information

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Preserve or Trail Requested (Please see list provided for eligible locations.) _____

Alternate Preserve or Trail Location (optional) _____

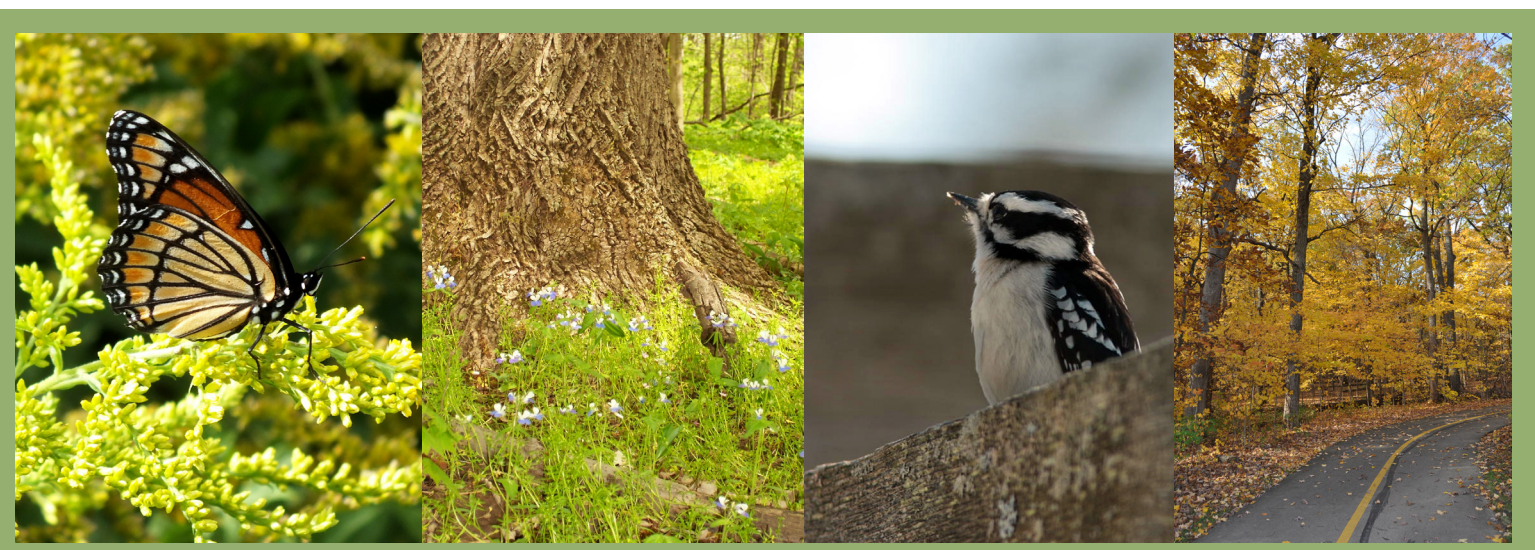
Plaque Text

Please print legibly. All text will be centered top to bottom and left to right.
There is a maximum of three rows of 20 characters per row, including spacing.

By signing this document, I affirm that I have read all of the information included and agree to the terms.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please detach and return completed application to Sugar Creek Administration Center, c/o Marketing & Communications, 17540 W. Laraway Road, Joliet, IL 60433. For questions, call 815.722.8190.



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