

Overview and Master Plan

Recognized nationally for landscape design, the plan for The Hobart Urban Nature Preserve was to recreate the various native habitats that existed in Miami County. The site began as 80 acres of cropland. This field was transformed to create a tapestry of streams, forests, prairie, wetland, and lake waters for citizens and visitors of Miami County to enjoy. Interspersed within the site are four welded sculptures representing man's relationship to nature. People today and in the future will discover a scenic park that combines nature, art, educational opportunities, and the peaceful enjoyment of our natural environment.

Budget and Grants

The site was provided through the generous land donation of the Hobart family. Additional private funding has been provided by the Hobart Foundation as well as two grants, one from the Clean Ohio Fund and one from the Federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. These grants and local Park District matching funds, add up to nearly \$1 million. These have been used to pay for Phase I and Phase II.



How You Can Help

To fully realize the potential for the Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, additional support from the local community is needed. There are many opportunities for private donors and local groups to help support the development of this park.

Ultimately, over 11,000 trees and shrubs are scheduled to be planted within the Preserve. The first 2,000 trees have been planted to initiate the re-forestation of the various habitats in the Master Plan design. All of the tree species are native to this area and reflect the appropriate habitat zones. Some native tree species that will be planted throughout the park include: Oak, Sycamore, Maple, Beech, Basswood, Buckeye, Willow, Hickory, Cottonwood, Dogwood, Persimmon, Walnut, Cherry, Sweetgum and Tulip Poplar.

Your tax-deductible contribution can help the Park District purchase and plant trees within the Preserve. Your gift will remain in the community for many future generations as the trees mature and flourish in a magnificent natural setting.

For questions about your donation, please contact the Miami County Park District (937) 335-6273.

Donor Recognition

All donors (or designee) will be included as part of a recognition display located near the parking area. Since the Park District's current need for new trees is for the Hobart Urban Nature Preserve, at this time all "tree fund" gifts will be used to plant trees at this facility, unless otherwise noted.



The Park District will ensure that these trees will be cared for as they become part of the various forest habitats. The donor recognition is prominently displayed on the site and has been integrated as part of the natural setting of the Preserve.

Your tax-deductible contribution will be used to purchase trees that will be planted within the Preserve. Your gift can commemorate a special occasion, remember a loved one, or simply reflect your love of nature and your commitment to the community. In appreciation for your gift, your chosen designee will be recognized within the Preserve at the following donation levels.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Oak level	\$5000 +
<input type="checkbox"/>	Walnut level	\$2500 - \$4999.99
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hickory level	\$1000 - \$2499.99
<input type="checkbox"/>	Cherry level	\$500 - \$999.99
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ash level	\$250 - \$499.99
<input type="checkbox"/>	Elm level	\$100 - \$249.99

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