

HERITAGE TRAIL DONATION FORM

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Donors will be recognized
at the appropriate level
on signage at the trailhead.

Donor Information

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Address: _____

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Name, as you wish it to appear on the donor sign:

(please limit to 52 characters)

Please make your check payable to:

STRATFORD'S HERITAGE TRAIL



YOUR SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED!

Here's how you can help...

- **Write a check!** Financial contributions are needed to complete trail amenities such as the trailhead shelter, benches, picnic tables, etc., and for regular trail upkeep. Your tax-deductible donation, *regardless of the amount*, is appreciated.
- **Share your skills!** Community work days will be scheduled for such tasks as building picnic tables and trail benches, clearing brush and restoring the grasses along the trailside. If you don't consider yourself to have outdoor skills to offer, maybe you can help by providing lunch items for a group of volunteers.
- **Spread the word!** Please take another copy of this pamphlet for a friend; or share this one with another silent sports enthusiast.
- **Contact a committee member for more information!**

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A Silent Sports Trail System
winding its way around the
Village of Stratford
in western Marathon County,
linking the various
community parks, ball fields,
and school athletic venues.



VILLAGE OF STRATFORD

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What is HERITAGE TRAIL all about?

Stratford's Heritage Trail is a year-round outdoor trail system for non-motorized recreation located in the Village of Stratford in western Marathon County. Popular among local hikers, bikers, snow-shoers and cross-country skiers, Heritage Trail provides an excellent outdoor venue for residents and visitors to view and enjoy the nature of the Central Wisconsin region. Utilizing the 73-acre conservancy area south of the Village's Business & Industrial Park and the Stratford School's athletic facility to the northwest, trail users experience a variety of terrains and natural habitats. The trail is handicap accessible, surfaced in crushed rock with ADA-compliant boardwalks in the wetland areas.

How did Heritage Trail come to be? Recognizing the valuable resource in the conservancy area, Village of Stratford officials applied for grant funding from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. Matching funds were approved through the DNR's Stewardship Program for Phase One construction in 2009 - 2011. It was the goal of the planning committee to use this initial phase of the trail to link other local recreational facilities — the school forest and athletic fields, FFA Park, Klemme Reserve, and Knoll Fitness Center.

Though much of Phase One utilizes public property, several private property owners kindly provided recreational easements for trail access. Cash and in-kind donations from private and corporate donors complemented a generous gift from the Marathon County ATC Reparations Fund to take Phase One of Stratford's Heritage Trail from concept to reality.

Where can I park? The trail's parking lot is conveniently located on Parkview Drive in the Business & Industrial Park. Enter the B/I Park at South Wisconsin Avenue -- the lot is just two blocks south. Parking is also available at the Fire Station on South Weber Avenue or at the FFA Park or Tiger Stadium on North Weber Avenue.

Can I walk my dog? Dogs are allowed on the Trail. Your pet, however, is not allowed to run loose and must be on a leash not more than ten feet long. In no way should a pet pose any threat or harm to other trail users or wildlife. "Droppings" must be immediately cleaned up and properly disposed of.

What are the hours? Village park hours are 6:00 a.m. to midnight. The trail is not lighted, so using it during the daylight is advised.

Is there a fee to use the Trail? No, but donations are welcome and always appreciated. Donated funds are used to help maintain the Heritage Trail and to provide for future improvements. Consider joining the many individuals, families and businesses who value this terrific resource with financial support.

Where can I get a map? When the trailhead shelter is completed, you'll be able to pick up a map there. In the meantime, maps are available at the Village office or you can download a copy from the Village/Chamber website www.stratfordwi.com.

Is future expansion planned? Preliminary planning for subsequent phases of Heritage Trail in the east half of the Village has been considered. Through future expansion of the trail, more private property owners would have the opportunity to provide recreational easements toward this public benefit.

The Village of Stratford is pleased to provide this valuable outdoor venue to benefit the overall health and well-being of residents and visitors alike. Feel free to contact a committee member or the Village of Stratford office if you have any questions.



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Yes, I/We would like to help fund and maintain STRATFORD'S HERITAGE TRAIL.

Please accept my/our cash donation

in the amount of \$ _____

at the Donor Level indicated below.

✓	DONOR LEVEL	DONATION AMOUNT
	Friend	\$100 to \$499
	Enthusiast	\$500 to \$999
	Sponsor	\$1,000 to \$4,999
	Developer	\$5,000 to \$9,999
	Builder	\$10,000 to \$24,999
	Partner	\$25,000 to \$49,999
	Founder	\$50,000 to \$74,999
	Other: Please indicate amount.	\$ _____



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!