

UNL BOTANICAL GARDEN AND ARBORETUM

SPECIAL GIFTS PROGRAM

Individuals and groups with special interest in the University of Nebraska-Lincoln are invited to sponsor trees, benches, gardens, or other landscape features on campus. This generous gesture adds a personal touch to the UNL campus and helps to enhance the beauty and botanical diversity of our landscape for everyone's enjoyment.

This is an opportunity to honor or memorialize individuals or commemorate events. Those honored may be recognized on a garden plaque with space for a brief message to describe the honor.

New trees are generally planted on campus in spring or fall. We can help you locate new or existing trees that are available for sponsorship. There may also be opportunities to sponsor garden areas. Providing a label for an existing tree is another option that may fit the needs of particular donors. Feel free to ask about these options and describe your special interest and preferences.

Plants and features sponsored for special recognition receive excellent care from our professional staff. Benches will be maintained for 5 years. Trees chosen as memorials can be endowed for a period of 15 years or 40 years. If necessary, the tree will be replaced if it should fail in that length of time. All reasonable effort will be made to get the input of the donor if construction or other factors make it necessary to replace the tree. Please remember that trees are living entities, with limited life spans. Given the severity and fluctuation in our climate, as well as the changes that occur on the campus landscape, we cannot guarantee trees, benches, or other landscape features in perpetuity.

Memorials for trees and gardens include the cost of the plant(s), the cost to establish it, and the cost of the plaque. The remainder of the funds we receive for these memorials are deposited in an endowment account with the University Foundation where the money generated from these funds provides for continued maintenance or replacement if necessary. Memorials in the form of benches or labels do not include an endowment for replacement.

We appreciate your interest in our special gifts program and would be happy to discuss this with you in more detail. For additional information, please contact Eileen Bergt, UNL Botanical Garden and Arboretum, 1309 N. 17th Street, Lincoln, NE 68588-0663. You may also call Eileen at (402) 472-9134.

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| Tree 15 years | \$1,500 |
| Tree 40 years | \$6,500 |
| Bench | \$2,500 |
| Gardens and other features | Please inquire |

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