



“WISH LIST”

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The following are items on our “wish list” each under the Goods category that we would love to receive help in purchasing:

1. Rear View and side mirrors for our Gator. \$240 (official John Deere)

Allows driver to see approaching bike and walking traffic while on trail for the safety of all users

2. Flasher for Gator: \$275 (Official John Deere)

Allows on-coming trail users to see Gator in advance for safety of trail users

Further demonstration that the Gator is a trail maintenance vehicle and has permission to be on the trail (we currently use magnetic signs that fall off and are not highly visible)

3. Cordless hedge trimmers: \$500 (double reciprocating pole trimmer); \$200 hedge trimmer

With only one currently, trail clean up can be time consuming (manual trimmers) and inefficient. This would allow more than one trained volunteer to cut and allow for continual use while the other is being serviced.

4. Utility cart to pull behind Gator. Approximately \$600 - \$1,000

Current donated trailer is too large for most jobs. Difficult to pull through the trail's 5 bridges. Takes up most of the trail and leaves limited space for passing trail users, creating not only the obstacle, but also a safety issue.

5. Blow torch for weeds. \$50

Used to spot manage plant growth coming up through pavement. Helps avoid pesticides. This is what the TART and Sleeping Bear Heritage trail uses. We currently do not have this and could use it ASAP.

The following link provides a sense of the assistance that is on our “wish list” each under the Volunteer category: <https://betsievalleytrail.org/trail-support/> Aside from our contracted Director of Marketing, Development and Special Projects, we are an entirely volunteer organization with plenty of opportunities for individuals with a variety of skill sets to get involved.

Respectfully submitted,

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