

An Invitation, an Opportunity

# Legacy



ORNAMENTAL GARDEN

The Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society invites families or donors to be part of a beautiful place in our city, and to share in the development of an ornamental flower garden as part of Legacy Park in north Lethbridge.

Lethbridge has a rich diversity of garden areas, most notably the Nika Yuko Japanese Garden. The Horticultural Society is now working with the City of Lethbridge to develop an ornamental flower garden to showcase plants that can be successfully grown in southern Alberta. Compatible plants from around the world will also be grown to represent the cultural diversity of Canada. The Legacy Park ornamental garden will be a tranquil place where the citizens of our community and visitors to our city can spend some time in a beautiful setting, enjoy memorable events such as wedding photographs, or just relax.

Individuals or families can donate directly to the garden to be part of its development, or can contribute in honour of members of the family. Families will receive satisfaction in knowing they are part of the garden, but also can receive recognition for their contributions.

Sincerely,

Penny Dodd  
President  
Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society





The City of Lethbridge is developing Legacy Park in north Lethbridge. In the fall of 2015, the Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society, which has been part of the City since 1909, asked City representatives to partner in the development of an ornamental garden as part of Legacy Park.

The Horticultural Society has worked with the City and designers to develop a concept for the garden. The concept development has been done following a set of principles and is envisioned to be:

*An outstanding, dynamic and natural attraction that will offer visitors an opportunity to appreciate plants that thrive in the environment of southern Alberta. Compatible plants from around the world will also help illustrate the rich cultural diversity of Canada. The garden will be tranquil and meditative, aesthetically pleasing and yet educational in an informal setting that can be enjoyed year round.*

Over the past year and a half, the City has contracted to put the ground infrastructure in place for the garden. Now that the concept has been developed and the ground has been prepared, we are moving to the next phase: bringing the garden to life.

## VISION FOR DEVELOPMENT

### PHASE 1

During the summer of 2018, the aim is to have:

- a water feature installed and operating in the "mountain terrace";
- plantings of perennial shrubs and flowers in the "alpine garden" (Note: if possible some planting may occur in the fall of 2017); and
- a vegetable garden in "the edibles" area.

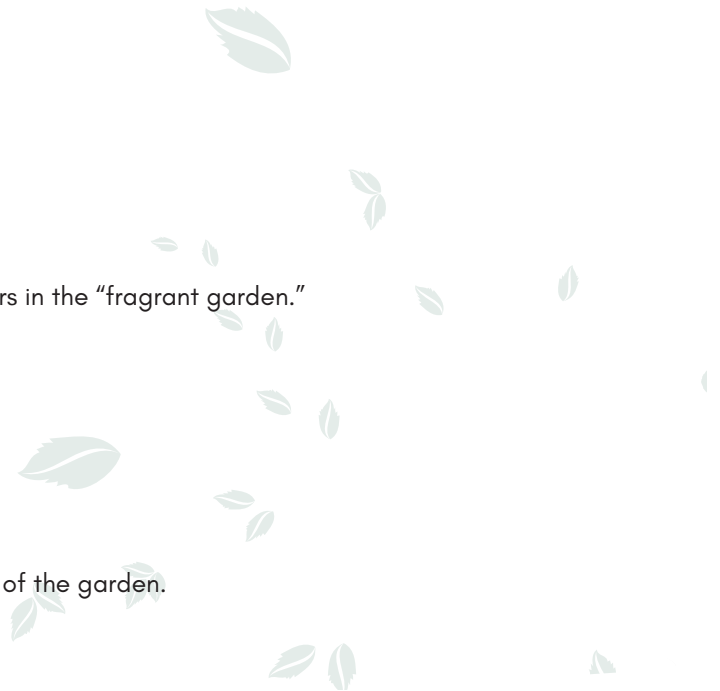
### PHASE 2

During the summer of 2019, the aim is to have:

- the "prairie grassland" planted and growing;
- the "herb garden" in place; and
- a limited number of annual and perennial flowers in the "fragrant garden."

### PHASE 3 AND BEYOND

- Each garden area will be completed.
- The "pergola" area will be developed.
- A solarium and tea house will be added.
- Annual plantings will be done in selected areas of the garden.





## Regular

\$5-\$19

- Letter of appreciation from the Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society

## Bronze

\$20-\$99

- Letter of appreciation from the Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society
- Organization name on a small plant identification sign in the garden

\$100-\$499

- Letter of appreciation from the Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society
- Organization name on a permanent display plaque in the garden

## Silver

\$500-\$1999

- Framed Certificate of Appreciation from the Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society
- Organization name on a permanent display stone in the garden

## Gold

\$2000 PLUS

- Framed Certificate of Appreciation from the Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society
- Organization name on a permanent display stone in the garden
- Consideration for the purchase of permanent statuary or art work in honour of the donating organization  
*Decisions as to recognition will be made with the donor and the Horticultural Society depending on the size of the donation*

## Platinum

- Should an extraordinary donation be received, consideration will be given to naming part of the garden in honour of the donating organization (e.g., paying for one feature completely)

*Note: All levels, with the exception of Regular, will qualify for a charitable donation for tax purposes.*



The Lethbridge and District Horticultural Society has committed in a **Letter of Intent** to the City of Lethbridge to:

- provide a portion of its funds to the Legacy Ornamental Garden;
- solicit private and corporate donations “in kind” for material and products needed in the garden; and
- coordinate volunteers to install some of the features and to perform some of the on-going maintenance.

## PHASE ONE PARTNERSHIP

With the goal of an operating **water feature** for the summer of 2018 the Horticultural Society will approach local landscaping businesses regarding their interest in forming a partnership for design and installation.

The immediate needs for the spring and early summer of 2017 are:

- development of a package which can be used in an approach to potential donors who might donate funding for the various phases of the development of the feature;
- a site visit and analysis to develop a water feature concept;
- preliminary cost estimates for the feature;
- a coordinated effort to seek donors to the Legacy Ornamental Garden water feature; and
- a timeline for the feature’s development.

The Horticultural Society will make every effort to achieve funding and “in-kind” donations so that the business partners for this phase of the garden will receive adequate compensation for the work and materials.