

### Our VISION

Our vision is to create a Barn Quilt Trail that:

- Tells the story of our community and reflects the people, history, and culture of the Township.
- Connects the Hamlets of Bailieboro, South Monaghan, Fraserville, Cavan, Ida, Mount Pleasant, Springville, Five Mile Turn and the Village of Millbrook.
- Engages residents, businesses, schools and local organizations in the creation, installation and promotion of the Trail.
- Recognizes the importance of agriculture in our community, and values the contributions of farm families.
- Recognizes and values the skills and creativity of our local quilters, artists and craftspeople.
- Promotes volunteerism and community support.

### Be a PARTNER in the Trail

The Cavan Monaghan Barn Quilt Trail project is a volunteer led initiative made up of representatives from across our Township. Our aim is to engage the whole community.

Barn and property owners have a unique opportunity to partner with us as HOSTS. As a partner in the trail, HOSTS will:

- Join a community project that celebrates the rural culture and heritage of our Township and tells the stories of our residents, both past and present.
- Have the opportunity to work with a quilter/designer to select or create your block, and with a writer to tell your story.
- Have the option of participating in the painting of your block or have the Committee paint it for you.
- Have your block and story posted on our website and in the trail's brochure.
- Own and display a unique piece of rural art.

In exchange, HOSTS will:

- Arrange and pay for the installation of your block using recommended installation techniques. If desired, the Committee will provide a list of resource people/companies that have agreed to install blocks using approved techniques.
- Make a financial contribution to the project. The requested contribution amount will depend on the size of the block (\$100 for a 4x4 block, \$300 for an 8x8 block, custom sizes tbd). Financial contributions from hosts help to offset the cost of materials for the blocks and support the costs associated with the Trail's promotion (e.g., signage, brochures, maps).

- Agree to have your block and barn/property photographed for use in promotional materials. Photos of the blocks, the property address, and the accompanying stories will be posted on our website, Facebook page, and in brochures and other promotional materials.
- Understand that the blocks will be viewed by persons travelling on the road. Some may stop to take photographs. Trespassing onto property to take pictures will be discouraged in promotional materials.
- Agree to display and maintain the block for a minimum of 5 (five) years. The HOST will inform the Barn Quilt Committee if the block is damaged, or there is a change in property ownership.

**In order to be included on the Cavan Monaghan Barn Quilt Trail, blocks must adhere to certain guidelines. These guidelines have been developed to ensure consistency and quality in the trail.**

#### **Design Guidelines:**

1. Quilt block designs must be submitted for approval to the Design Sub-Committee before fabrication to ensure quality in the outcome.
2. Some individual quilt block projects will require a person to provide guidance in the creative process. These guides will be provided by the Barn Quilt Trail Design Sub-Committee and will be chosen based upon a strong background in quilt making, visual art, design or a related discipline. Creative guides will report back to the Design Sub-Committee.
3. Each barn, building or location will be assessed for the appropriate size and placement of each quilt block.
4. The intention is to represent one quilt block rather than a complete quilt, for each barn, building or location.
5. The quilt block design should contribute to telling the story of our community. It should have significance to the family, farm, barn, business or property.
6. No duplicate designs will be included in the trail.
7. Contemporary or traditional quilt block designs are acceptable. Block designs must be in the public domain or have written permission for use from the copyright owner. Original designs should have written permission for use from the designer/creator.

#### **Material, Site and Installation Guidelines:**

Quilt blocks:

- Must be painted on approved sign board with approved paints.
- Will be placed on Committee approved barns or buildings, or other locations that are deemed appropriate.
- Must be visible from the road for public viewing and in a location that will not contribute to traffic congestion or cause safety concerns.
- Will not be obstructed by trees, crops or other buildings (during all seasons).
- Cannot include a company logo, nor can it be used as a company logo.
- Will be installed using recommended installation techniques. These can be viewed on the website of the Ontario Barn Quilt Trails: [www.barnquilttrails.ca/how/install](http://www.barnquilttrails.ca/how/install)

**Join Us!** Barn Quilt Trails have been described as one of the largest grassroots public art movements in history. **We're looking forward to partnering with you!**