

Program Area: Land Acquisition



The Halls



Trail Peak, Eagle Scout project

Key Benefits

- Ensures future of this preserve
- Keeps neighborhood nature trails
- Honors wishes of the donors
- Saves Oakland County high point
- Showcases climate resilience actions on hilly properties

Securing Hall Hill Preserve



Project Goals

The Halls started donating easements on this land north of I-75 in 1990 and have added easements six times since then. BHHC wishes to convert these easements to one preserve and honor their wishes to see permanent preservation. Legal issues must be overcome. Slopes with 100-foot elevation change require stewardship. Neighbor support must be solidified and engaged. The end goal will be a safe, enjoyable nature preserve where people can relax, recreate, and immerse themselves in nature only a short distance from downtown Clarkston.

Project Phases

Phase	Description	Cost
1	Resolve legal complexities	\$500
2	Steward the land – invasive removal, erosion, trespass	\$4050
3	Obtain purchase agreement and fundraise	\$600 + \$200
4	Purchase land at bargain sale price	\$150,000
5	Replant for diversity and resilience	\$1,000
6	Design interpretive signage	\$800
7	Fabricate and install visitor improvements (including gates)	\$3,050
	Total project cost	\$160,200