





ABOUT THE BLACK HILLS TRAIL FUND

Q 2013

Sturgis Backcountry Trail System proposed to City of Sturgis, Meade County, US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and other partners.

Q 2014

First trails of new system completed out of Lions Club Park and Fort Meade Trailhead.

Q 2015

City of Sturgis approves future construction of trails accessing Sturgis Reservoirs, Burea of Land Management completes environmental work for 7th Cavalry Trail System, 7th Cavalry construction begins.

2016

7th Cavalry Trail System largely completed, constructed entirely by volunteers without heavy equipment. Layouts finalized for Sturgis Trail System routes. City watershed boundaries professionally surveyed.

Q 2017

First trail into Sturgis Reservoirs opened to public, Deadman Trailhead completed, final signage placed on completed 7th Cavalry Trail System.

Q 2018

Three additional trails accessing Sturgis Reservoirs completed, environmental analysis for Forest Service portion of Sturgis Trail System completed.

2019

All additional trails making up Sturgis Trail System completed and signed.

2020

Work with City of Sturgis and Forest Service on signage, maintenance details, ensuring volunteer maintenance will be successful. Planning future interconnects.



Volunters and Donors created the Sturgis Trail System, officially designated Trail 78, over the last seven years. The trails represent \$650,000+ in combined donations and volunteer labor.

But now comes the hard part, maintaining trails to a high standard for the generations to come is a costly endeavor, even with volunteers.

Black Hills Trails, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, has proven volunteer design, construction, and maintenance works. Volunteers continue to be willing and able to keep area trail systems great.

The Black Hills Trail Fund is being established to ensure the Sturgis Trail System and future Black Hills Trails projects will be maintained forever. Every dollar contributed to the fund can maintain one foot of trail in perpetuity. \$250,000 will maintain the entire Sturgis Trail System for generations to come

Contributions will be placed in a professionally managed endowed fund. The earnings each year will be used to ensure volunteers have everything they need to get the maintenance job done. Funds will be dedicated primarily to maintaining the trail systems they were raised for.

Help us keep these trails great, and continue to connect communities with trail, connect volunteers with purpose, and connect everyone to an outdoor lifestyle. Your contribution is tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Make your mark on the Sturgis Trail
System. Be a part of the maintenance solution that will keep these trails amazing.

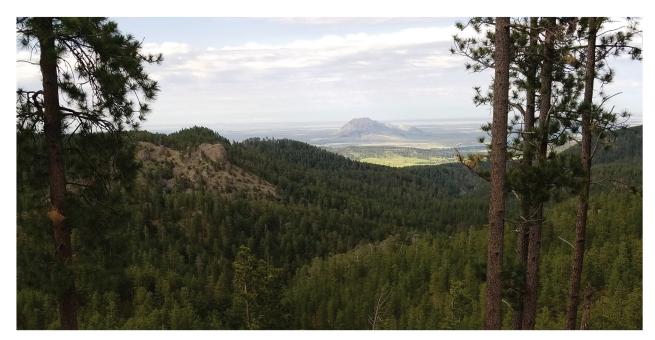
Using volunteer-based maintenance each **\$1** can maintain **1 foot** of trail indefinitely.





BENCH PLACEMENT OPPORTUNITY

Potential bench locations. **Just a few of the possibilities.**















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A very limited number of bench placement opportunities are available for significant contributors to maintenance of the Sturgis Trail System through the Black Hills Trail Fund.



Preserve the memory and story of a family member in one of the most picturesque and exclusive settings imaginable.

Show every trail user your business is committed to a healthy lifestyle and the health of the Sturgis community.







OFFICIAL TRAIL MARKING

Make your mark on the Sturgis Trail
System. Become a part of keeping these
trails amazing and well maintained year
after year. Your \$200 contribution to the Black Hills
Trail Fund will place a marker along the system in
your or another's name. These markers will be
the official signage placed on the trail system
allowing trail users to find their way!

Officially designated trail number 78, 1978 was the year the City of Sturgis acquired the gem at the center of the trail system, the city dams and surrounding property.

> Markers will be placed starting in 2021. A map of marker locations will be published.

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Name on Marker (First and Last, if different)

Street Address

City

State

Zip

STURGIS TRAIL SYSTEM

Phone

Email

Additional Donation:

Your additional donation will ensure volunteers are able to keep these trails great! This 200 feet of trail maintained thanks to FIRSTNAME LASTNAME

Retro-reflective Trail Marker

Shown Actual Size

Trail markers will
be limited to 400
total pieces. Limit 1
per individual. When
necessary, individual trail
markers will be maintained
and replaced by volunteers on
a best-effort basis. Replacement
markers may not be placed in the
original marker location.

Email Invoice

If you would like an invoice emailed to you, payable via credit or debit card.

Duplicate Marker (Add \$25)

If you would like a duplicate marker for display purposes mailed to you after printing.

Make checks payable to Black Hills Trails. Return this form to Black Hills Trails, PO Box 661, Sturgis, SD 57785

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