# Forming a Landscaping Committee

Guidelines and Creative Ideas

### Why Landscaping Matters

Landscaping improves the beauty and value of our community spaces. It creates inviting areas that everyone can enjoy. A Landscaping Committee can plan and maintain these spaces thoughtfully and creatively.

## Landscaping Guidelines

#### **Choose Native Plants**

Use plants that are native to Tennessee and non-invasive to protect the environment and support local wildlife.

#### **Approval for Purchases**

All landscaping expenses must be approved by the Property Owners Association (POA) to ensure they fit the budget and community standards.

### **Deciding Locations**

Committee members will discuss and decide where landscaping projects will be placed to meet community needs.

#### **Maintenance Duties**

Committee members will care for landscaped areas, including watering, pruning, and removing dead flowers and branches.

#### **Planting Areas**

Projects can be done in common spaces or along walking trails for easy access and visibility. These areas can be incorporated into the guided walking tours already in discussions.

## Creative Landscaping Ideas

Landscaping isn't just about plants—it can be imaginative! Here are some fun ideas:

- Butterfly Sanctuary Clearing: Plant flowers that attract butterflies.
- Bees Knees Please: A garden for bees with colorful and fragrant flowers.
- Hummingbird Hanging Garden: Bright flowers for hummingbirds in a vertical garden.
- Fairy Garden: A small, magical garden with tiny ornaments and moss.
- Gnome Hideaway: A playful area with gnome statues and greenery.
- Deer Dining Den: Plants attractive to deer to replenish their shrinking habitat and promote peaceful coexistence.

You can add rocks, stones, statues, fallen tree pieces, and benches. Browse a site like Pinterest or Etsy to get creative inspiration, some décor can be repurposed items even. It doesn't have to cost a fortune to be amazing. The possibilities are endless!

### Conclusion

The Landscaping Committee can enhance shared spaces and bring people together. By following simple guidelines and using creative ideas, we can create beautiful, functional landscapes for everyone to enjoy.