

# A Night for Nature

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## Conserving Habitat & Species in DuPage

The Forest Preserve District is committed to maintaining nearly 26,000 acres of land entrusted to its care for the benefit of DuPage County's flora, fauna, and scenic beauty. As the largest landowner in the county, the Forest Preserve District has a responsibility to not only steward the land but also the revenue it receives from property-tax dollars, which support its operations and master plan.\*

In addition to its routine land-management work this year, the Forest Preserve District initiated large-scale restoration projects covering over 1,000 acres at Egermann Woods, Herrick Lake, and Hickory Grove forest preserves. Work to remove nonnative and aggressive, shrubby plants was followed by select herbicide applications; this work replenished natural functions and allowed sunlight and water to nourish the new growth of native grasses, wildflowers, trees, and shrubs. The greater diversity of plants resulting from the work improved the habitat where native animals (including some state-endangered or -threatened species), live, breed and flourish in the preserves.

A Night for Nature benefit raises funds to accomplish even more restoration work in the preserves where 6.2 million people visit each year to exercise, relax, rejuvenate, and enjoy their favorite outdoor activities.



\* The Forest Preserve District receives only about 2 cents for every \$1 paid in real-estate taxes in DuPage County.

\*\* Our Willowbrook Wildlife Center treated nearly 11,500 native animals in 2021; nearly 74% of admits were released to the wild.

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## Your Sponsorship

We invite you to participate in A Night for Nature benefit, which returns in person — and under the stars — to celebrate the beautiful wild areas and beloved wildlife of DuPage.

Guests will experience an enchanting cocktail hour followed by delicious small plates and spirits at St. James Farm's pavilion; enjoy wagon-drawn tours of restored McCormick Woods and Spring Brook, a tributary of the West Branch of the DuPage River; warm up by a campfire; and enjoy an entertaining program. They'll also reap the rewards of connecting to nature at a scenic preserve that abounds with wildlife, sculptures and other artwork, and cultural history.

The benefit provides an excellent opportunity to demonstrate your company's support for the DuPage community and its forest preserves.

### Sponsorship Levels

Social media post *before and after* event

**\$5,000**



**\$2,500**



**\$1,000**



**\$500**



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Access to event

8 tickets

4 tickets

2 tickets

Recognition on event sign

Large logo

Medium logo

Name

Recognition on Friends' website

Large logo

Medium logo

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#### Your Commitment

To discuss your sponsorship, contact Jeannine Kannegger at 630-933-7220 or [jkannegiesser@dupageforest.org](mailto:jkannegiesser@dupageforest.org). If applicable, email your logo (EPS) to the same address.