

WMH Foundation continues to solicit funds for a public walking trail and memorial garden
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Efforts to construct a walking trail by the right Memorial Hospital Foundation continue to progress. The Foundation kicked off the campaign with the employees of Wright Memorial proposing a goal of 100% participation hospital wide. To date, 92 percent of Wright Memorial Hospital employees have contributed to the walking trail/memorial garden campaign. Foundation Development Officer Matt Osterthun feels confident the Foundation will attain its goal. He noted the employees have shown their support and the Foundation appreciates their efforts. But in order to bring this trail and memorial garden to Wright Memorial, Ostertuhn called for community support to do so. A proposed design of the half-mile, concrete-based trail has been completed.

Construction of the trail will be phase one of the project and is estimated to cost approximately \$100,000. The ground breaking is expected next Spring. The next phase will be the memorial garden, then a landscaped retaining wall and aesthetics to complete the project.

Ostertuhn said the trail will serve as a health care awareness initiative for patients, visitors, and employees of the hospital and the community.

Many departments in the hospital will be able to utilize the walking trail by administering treatments to patients. The memorial garden will give persons the opportunity to remember a loved

one. Persons willing to contribute a 100% tax-deductible donation to the walking trail campaign may send checks payable to the Wright Memorial Hospital Foundation; 191 Iowa Boulevard, Trenton. Pledges may also be made at a maximum of five years. For more information, contact Hospital Foundation Director Matt Osterthun 358-5706.