PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Lake Katherine Nature Center and Botanic Gardens is an 85-acre park that includes woodlands, prairie, wetlands, gardens and a 10-acre lake. Lake Katherine welcomes the support of the corporate community to use Lake Katherine as an escape from urban life and an opportunity to experience the natural world.

Whether a small family-owned business or a large international corporation, companies can play an integral part in supporting Lake Katherine and contributing to conservation. Businesses can show support by utilizing one or more of the following services:

- Retreat Days and Team Building Activities
- Environmental Consulting and Conservation Project Guidance
- Volunteer Restoration Workdays and Sponsorships

Corporate Retreats and Team Building Activities

Improve productivity and morale by investing in a day retreat. Get your team out of the office and immersed into nature. Research has shown time spent in nature and green spaces can be beneficial for improving mood, cognition and health. Staff at Lake Katherine can tailor a day of activities based on interests, goals and the size of the team.

FACT: Over 100,000 people visit Lake Katherine's grounds each year

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Examples of Corporate Retreats include, and are not limited to:

**Adventure Play**
- Camping
- Canoeing and Kayaking
- Barefoot Path
- Team Building Activities

**Survival Skills**
- Building Shelter
- Fire Starting
- Water
- Food

### Consulting and Conservation Project Guidance

Companies can improve the aesthetics of office buildings or facility entrances, save money on mowing and provide essential native habitat for wildlife with help from Lake Katherine. Our staff can assess the property and provide step-by-step guidance on how to install suitable enhancements such as native landscaping, pollinator gardens and native meadows. If the surrounding area has quality habitat, staff can offer guidance on installing bird boxes, bat houses, bee blocks and even basking logs for turtles if a water source is present.

### Volunteer Workdays and Sponsorship

Not all corporate facilities or campuses have green spaces that can be improved for wildlife use. However, if your team includes green thumbs, bird watchers, photography enthusiasts, or people with a desire to donate time in a meaningful way, consider restoration work days at Lake Katherine. The park wouldn’t be what it is today without the generous time and help of its volunteers. Consider sponsoring a specific restoration area. Lake Katherine can install educational signage with your company logo for all the visitors to see. Come make a difference!

For more information and cost estimates for any of the above services, please contact Lake Katherine naturalist Sara Barnas: Sara.barnas@lakekatherine.org

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