SALTCOATS HISTORIC CEMETERY REJUVENATION PROJECT





This campaign was approved in 2019 by Town Council & reaffirmed again in 2022.

THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE IS
UNDERTAKING EXTENSIVE UPGRADES
AND RENOVATIONS
AND WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR
SUPPORT!

Main Projects & Projected Costs

Construct new Map, Index & stands - \$7500
Restore Historic Round House into Visitor Center - \$1800
Enlarge Scattering Gardens - \$3500
Upgrade existing roadways & construct new roads- \$17,000

For more information, a list of more projects, and ways to help please see the Town of Saltcoats website or Facebook page!

Open Letter to All Persons Interested in Saltcoats Cemetery

July 2022

Friends:

This is an appeal for funds and for your interest and your support as the Saltcoats Cemetery Committee moves forward with an extensive Historic Cemetery Rejuvenation Project originally begun late in 2019.

Looking to future needs, in 2015 the Town of Saltcoats acquired land on the westerly side of Hill Street opposite the existing Cemetery Entrances. Some will remember it as the Barker farm/dairy/home. It was recognized that our Historic Cemetery was in need of a major rejuvenation if we were to be true to our heritage of care and of pride in our history and individual and family histories.

Maintained by the Town of Saltcoats since the community's beginning in 1880s, the Historic Cemetery has served an extensive rural area including school districts such as Perley, Crescent, Peachview, Barvas, Castleton, Pennock, CutArm, and more.

The Cemetery has been financed through the Town Annual Budget (taxes), occasional donations and memorials, modest plot purchases.

Over the years, a series of summer caretakers have offered exemplary service, often seeing their job as a calling to community service and as a way of honouring those buried within the cemetery and their families. Beginning in 2017, Saltcoats Rural Municipality has contributed an annual grant of \$1250. to the Town of Saltcoats Cemetery Fund

Every year the cemetery is visited by local residents and many visitors, some with family members buried here, many attracted to the appearance of the cemetery and its celebration of history.

Every gift given will be important for the success of our Rejuvenation Project. We ask you to contribute what you can, and also to pass the word to family members and former residents so that they too can become part of this endeavour. If you cannot give now, consider making a commitment now for a "later in the year" contribution.

Gifts should be made payable to The Town of Saltcoats. Receipts for income tax purposes will be issued. A gift to a Canadian Municipality is a valid charity receipt. Please designate your gift as being for the "Cemetery Project". A suitable recognition of donors or "gifts in memory" will be made.

The goal for this <u>Saltcoats Historic Cemetery Rejuvenation Project</u> is \$40,500

Thank you for your support. For further information please contact the Town of Saltcoats.

Project	Estimated Cost
Turn historic cemetery building (Round House) into visitor information building	\$1,500.00
Construct new main map stand & five area map stands	\$6,000.00
Update and print new main map C/W index and print five area maps.	\$6,000.00
Development for enlarged Scattering Gardens area	\$3,500.00
Re-construct garden on highway entrance to the cemetery	\$750.00
Revamping the existing headstones, level and straighten.	\$5,000.00
Electrical power to new equipment building	\$800.00
Upgrade existing roadways.	\$2,700.00
Construct new roads in the area of the scattering garden/south edge cemetery.	\$6,800.00
Construct road in new section North of Hill Street	\$7,500.00
Total	\$40,550.00