



The Crosby Arboretum

A regional arboretum representing the native flora of the Pearl River drainage basin in Mississippi and Louisiana

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Dear Members and Friends of The Crosby Arboretum:

We have wonderful news about our 2023 annual appeal campaign for next year's special projects! A generous supporter has offered to provide a match if we are able to raise \$5,000 by December 20, 2023.

This year, we are seeking \$10,000 for making repairs and renovations to our public garden's numerous wooden structures, such as decks, fences, boardwalks, and bridges. Many of these are site amenities that were designed by architect Fay Jones.

The Arboretum is grateful to all who contributed to last year's annual appeal, which generated a total of \$17,005. Your donations allowed us to: 1) Make numerous improvements and renovations to our greenhouse, plant nursery areas, pollinator garden, which have increased our ability to grow native species for our plant sales, a major source of operational revenues, and 2) Purchase a 75" flatscreen monitor for Arboretum programs and events.

Please consider financially partnering with us again by making a special year-end contribution. Your gift of any amount is greatly appreciated.

Our staff extends best wishes to you and your family during this holiday season!

Sincerely,

Patricia R. Drackett, Director
The Crosby Arboretum/Mississippi State University Extension Service