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Dear Potential Contributor,

Why are we writing to you?

To tell you about The Martin Street Lookout Project!

What is that?

The beautiful spot on the Mississippi River where Martin Street South and St. Paul Street meet – just across the river from the North Lanark Agricultural Society Fairgrounds, and a short walk from Almonte General Hospital and Fairview Manor. It's a favourite spot to visit because it offers one of the best views in Almonte of the Mississippi River. Visitors young and old, walkers, fishermen, canoeists, and many others use it.

What's Happening?

The Hub and a committee of citizens have initiated a project to build a small, durable, four season, low level and accessible viewing platform with seating and sunshade. The Town of Mississippi Mills Planning Committee and Council have given approval in principle for a structure to be built on the town owned site.

Why?

Currently the use and enjoyment of the site is very limited and unsafe especially for people with mobility limitations and accessibility challenges such as those with walkers and wheelchairs, seniors and people pushing baby strollers. The existing benches at the site are accessible only by climbing down a rocky slope; there is no shade for visitors and no way for wheelchairs to get off the road, which creates a hazard for visitors and vehicles alike.

When is this happening?

The committee with the support of the Town of Mississippi Mills hopes to have the platform in place this fall.

What do we need?

The funds for the structure will be raised through donations. We need your financial support to complete the platform! The Hub has donated \$1000 seed money for the project. The total expected cost of the platform will be up to \$35,000. With your

