# Hardy County Barn Quilt Trail Guidelines



**A Program of the Lost River Education Foundation**

***Please read Guidelines before submitting the HCBQT application***

The **Hardy County Barn Quilt Trail**, a program of the Lost River Education Foundation, was created to engage the community in showcasing and increasing interest in the rich culture and history of Hardy County, exploring Appalachian heritage, and recognizing the contributions of women to our rural traditions.

Anyone can paint a Barn Quilt, make an artistic gesture and add to the beauty of their property. If you would like to be part of the Hardy County Barn Quilt Trail, there are specific guidelines for the design, construction and installation of a Barn Quilt.

* To be included on the HC Barn Quilt Trail, the Barn Quilt pattern and/or design and its location must be approved by the HC Barn Quilt Trail Committee at LREF.
* Barn Quilts made by HCBQT will be the sizes designated on the application and listed below. To be included on the Trail, Barn Quilts made by the applicant and/or property owner may be any size but not smaller than 2’ x 2’.
* If you are undecided about your quilt pattern, a selection of patterns is available for your consideration. HCBQT will make every effort to assure that no duplication of patterns (in the same color) are on the trail. Traditional quilt patterns and unique or contemporary designs are welcome.
* Barn Quilts with text, inappropriate images, political messages, or flags will not be produced by nor included on the HC Barn Quilt Trail or in any Trail literature.
* Any sturdy structure in good repair is eligible for installation of a Barn Quilt (i.e. barns, outbuildings, garages, churches, businesses, homes, etc.) and inclusion on the HCBQT.
* If the Applicant is not the Property Owner, written approval by the Property Owner is required.
* The Applicant and/or Property Owner is responsible to apply for and receive any necessary zoning, town, or historic district approval prior to painting of the Barn Quilt by HCBQT.
* HCBQT/LREF may schedule installation only for the Barn Quilts produced by the LREF HCBQT.
* Upon completion, the Barn Quilt will be owned by the Applicant as indicated on the signature page of the HCBQT Agreement.
* To remain on the HCBQT, the Applicant and/or Property Owner agrees to maintain the Barn Quilt in good condition and without alteration. If not so maintained, the HCBQT reserves the right to remove the Barn Quilt from the Trail literature and maps.
* Applicants and/or Property Owners may not charge visitors for viewing or photographing the Barn Quilts.
* If the Applicant and/or Property Owner chooses to no longer have the Barn Quilt on the Trail, or if it is removed, HCBQT must be notified so that the Barn Quilt can be deleted from the Trail map and literature.
* For any questions about these guidelines or for assistance with the HCBQT application, please email the HCBQT Committee at kathrynkavanagh401@gmail.com.
* The basic cost of the creation and installation of Barn Quilts and their inclusion on the HCBQT brochure, map and marketing is:
  + 2’ x 2’ $ 95.00 and up + tax
  + 4’ x 4’ $250.00 and up + tax
  + 4’ x 8’ $450.00 and up + tax
  + 8’ x 8’ $795.00 and up + tax
* *An extra fee may apply based on the Barn Quilt’s complexity.*
* The creation of your barn quilt will be scheduled upon receipt of payment in full.
* Installation of Barn Quilts will be coordinated with the property owner. *The property owner or their representative must be present during the installation.* HCBQT does not install 2’x2’ Barn Quilts.
* Hardy County Convention and Visitors Bureau currently offers a limited number of matching grants (25% of cost up to $250 each) for the creation and installation of Barn Quilts produced by HCBQT. These grants will be awarded on a first come first served basis. Your HCBQT application must be approved before your Grant Application will be reviewed. Grant guidelines and applications are available on the HCCVB website ([http://visithardywv.com/industry-info/](about:blank)).

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