

Memorial Garden on Khandroling

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Dear Dzogchen Community.

A short update as to what is happening with the developing of a Memorial Garden on Khandroling.

As you can see from the pictures the first half of the walkway from below the pond cabin has been created. The next step is to install the metal dividers around the oak tree at the end of the walkway and create a patio. The metal dividers are provided, likewise the fabric that prevents the weeds from growing through. Then the patio will be filled with the gravel that is also provided and at last the remaining patio stones from the Vajra Hall and new stepping stones will together make a firm patio, whereupon two benches will be placed. Also a sun sail is provided which will be installed to give some shade.

Once the patio and the walkway is completed, a rail will be installed next to the walkway to provide support for anybody who may need it.

Then last the area around the patio will be converted to flower beds and the planting can begin.

As you can see below two signs have already been made in memory of two Dzogchen community members. These signs are made in stone and laser printed locally. They will be mounted on a metal device which can then be stuck in the earth around the flowerbeds.

If anybody in the community has any interest and energy to help accomplish this project you are most welcome.

Our Gekoe Dave Hayes is the contact person so please connect with him directly.

So far all of the material has been donated and what now is needed is, beside the physical work, funding for more stepping stones, railing and plants.

The cost of each memorial stone sign is \$30 + the metal device which is estimated to cost about \$20. So a total of approximately \$ 50 each.

The stepping stones are Goshen Stones and can be bought at the Greenfield Farmers Coop at \$ 20 each. We need quite a few.

The costs of deer resistant perennial plants and bushes are kind of endless.

The remaining cost of the railing has not been worked out yet.

In addition, what is needed is the research of the names and their dates of people in our community who have already passed and which we would like to honour with a sign in our Memorial Garden.