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Dear Friends, 4; Joe - We just need a Little more help! I spoke with

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Thank you for your support throughout these many years. Together we have accomplished so much. The La Canada Flintridge "12 Mile Loop Trail" is complete after forty years of effort and community involvement. The adjoining Cherry Canyon Open Space Park has miles of riding and hiking trails for all to enjoy.

**Now I am asking you to help bring drinking water to a rest area in Cherry Canyon**. The Ultimate Destination Park in Cherry Canyon is a small, flat area that provides hikers, riders, and cyclists a resting place with beautiful views of the San Gabriel Valley and mountains. Ten years ago, during the construction of the Ultimate Destination Trail and Park, I proposed this idea to the City of La Canada Flintridge.

This year, the City Council approved the project. The City Staff has prepared the report (enclosed), all we need now is the funding. I am dedicated to the idea that trail users, in an area as large as Cherry Canyon and the 12 Mile Loop Trail, deserve to have water available. I have donated money to advance this project. The City has committed to one third of the cost. The La Canada Trails Council supports the project. However, we need to raise an additional \$30,000 dollars from donors.

I am asking for your help. The project includes an outdoor drinking water fountain, a horse trough and irrigation for fifteen new trees. Because the area was originally cleared for a housing project, the addition of native trees will provide much needed shade, habitat, and beauty to the Ultimate Destination.

Thank you for considering this project. We appreciate any amount of support.

The LCF trails connect with the surrounding communities' trails and are an important part of the larger regional L A County Trails System. Trail users from all over Southern California will benefit from your generosity each time they take a much-needed drink of water.

For more information, please contact me. I will be delighted to take your call at (818) 790 -2679 or call Randy Strapazon at (818) 383-7744.

Sincerely, Liz Blackwolder

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