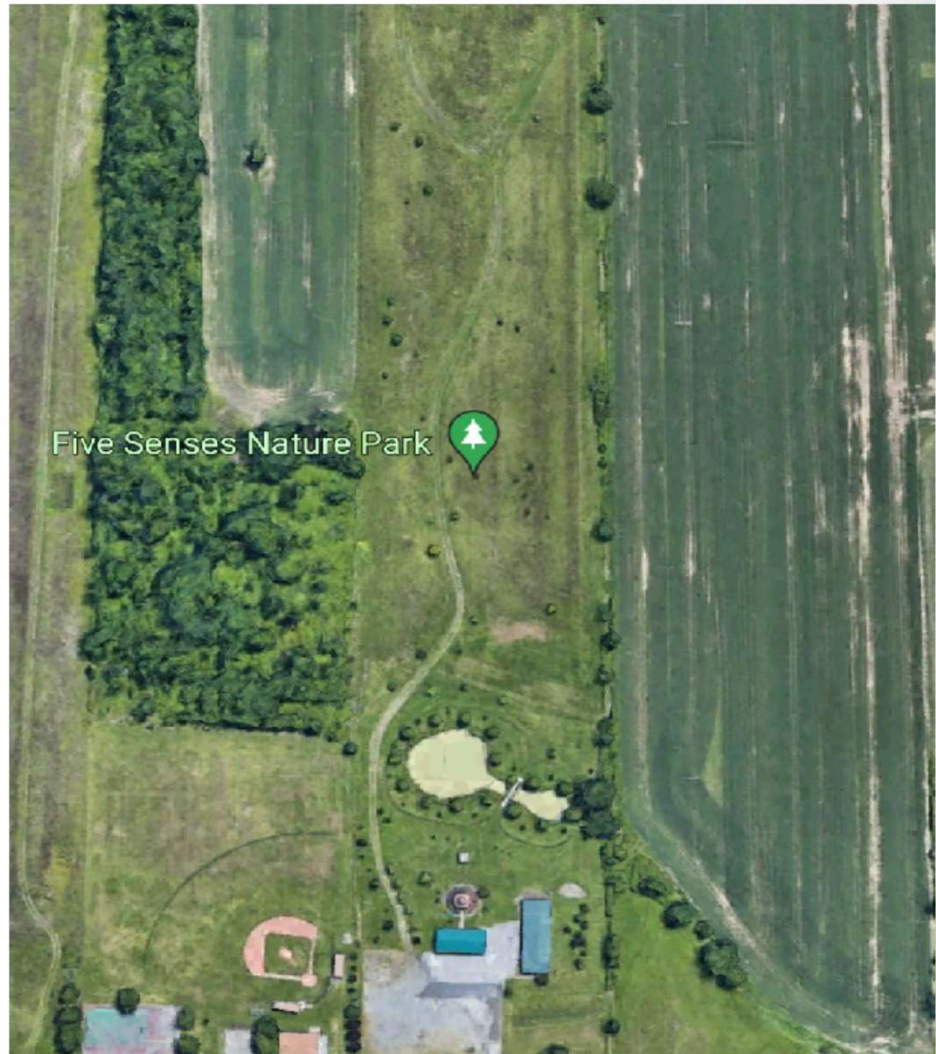


# Wheatfield Lions Nature Trail & Fishing Pond

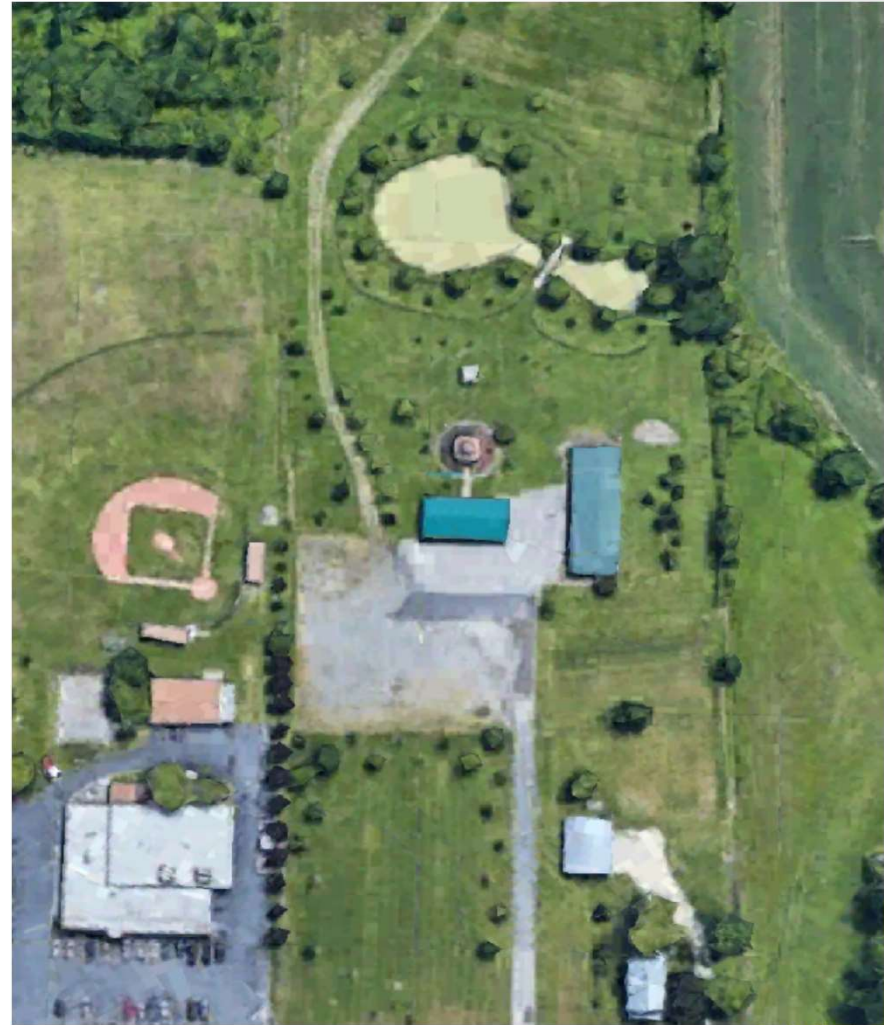
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2021



**Areal View  
Showing the full  
14 Acres Lions  
Five Senses Park  
with existing  
facilities and  
trails. 6535 Ward  
Road, Wheatfield,  
NY**



# Application Area – Between Pavilion and Pond









**SENSES TRAIL**

Lions Clubs of Western New York

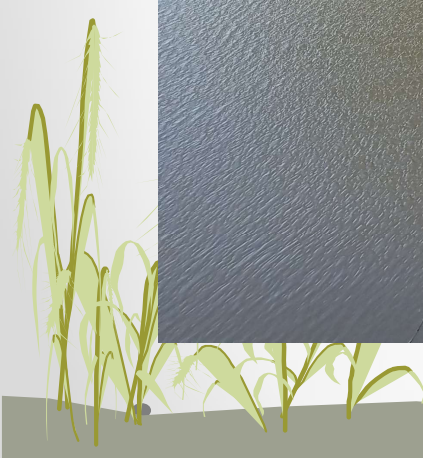
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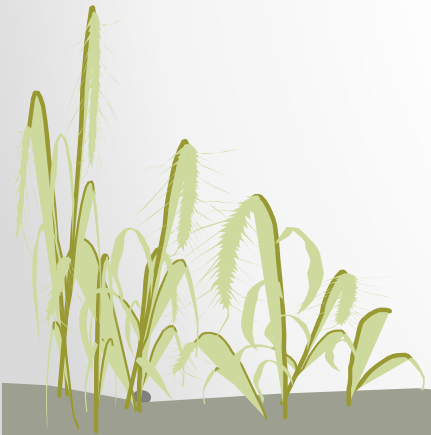


# Deck for Disabled and Fishing





Birch



**These are typical examples of our service for the blind with our annual Picnic for them.**



# Integrated Play Area Along Trail





**We are a 501(c)4  
Non-Profit  
Charitable  
Organization**

**Also, we directly  
own the Five  
Senses Park**

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
P. O. BOX 2508  
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: MAR 02 2017

LIONS CLUB OF THE TOWN OF  
WHEATFIELD INC  
C/O TOWN HALL  
2800 CHURCH ROAD  
TOWN OF TONWANDA, NY 14120

Employer Identification Number:  
16-1559977  
DLN:  
17053298338026  
Contact Person:  
BRAD S FLETCHER ID# 31669  
Contact Telephone Number:  
(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:  
June 30  
Form 990/990-EZ/990-N Required:  
Yes  
Effective Date of Exemption:  
November 15, 2010  
Contribution Deductibility:  
No  
Addendum Applies:  
No

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(4). This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Donors cannot deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170(c)(2).

Based on the information you submitted in your application, we approved your request for reinstatement under Revenue Procedure 2014-11. Your effective date of exemption, as listed at the top of this letter, is retroactive to your date of revocation.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to [www.irs.gov/charities](http://www.irs.gov/charities). Enter "4221-NC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-NC, Compliance Guide for Tax-Exempt Organizations (Other than 501(c)(3) Public Charities and Private Foundations), which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Letter 948

## **Brief Project Description:**

Our Lions Club is dedicated to serve those in need in our area. Our theme is "To Serve". Our 5 major focus areas include: the blind, diabetes, hunger, environment, and pediatric illness (such as cancer). All our funds collected are dedicated toward these services.

We are blessed to own our Five Senses Park at 6535 Ward Road. It includes our club house, pavilion, gazebo, pergola, and our lake, within our 14 acres.

1. Improve our existing pond from over growth and add design features to **increase safe access for use, which includes the blind** we bring to the site for events. This is both for safety for the blind and protection of an environmental resource. That includes safety fencing and rails.

2. **Add a dock/platform to help the blind have access, fish, and experience being by the water safely.** To add an audio feature for the blind, a fountain will be added into the pond.

3. **Add a functional safety path to allow/assist the blind to experience a nature walk.** The path would leave from the Pavilion, through the pergola, to the lakes dock platform, then over the bridge, and into the fields of our 14 acres Five Senses Park. The path would be made of wood chips or playground rubber for safety and reduced maintenance. The path would have railings to guide the blind safely. Along the way would be recording units to describe experiences along the way and braille messages. **Experiences would include the feels, smells and sounds of nature. Stations include the pond and a new installed fountain to both keep the pond fresh and provide water sounds. Other stations would include flowers and herbs for taste smell and feel. Children would have further senses experiences in the playground.**

# Anticipated Costs

• Trails and Signs	\$30,000
• Deck and Dock	\$18,000
• Pond Fountain	\$ 4,000
• Playground	\$63,000
• Total	\$115,000

- Note: Wheatfield Lions Contribution includes All Costs (**Matching Funds**) for Property ownership, Planning, Acquisition, Administration, Operations and Maintenance.



# This Project is Supported by the Town of Wheatfield



TOWN OF WHEATFIELD  
COUNTY OF NIAGARA  
2800 Church Road, North Tonawanda, NY 14120  
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www.wheatfield.ny.us

Town of Wheatfield Lions Club  
Attn: Walt Garrow  
6535 Ward Rd  
Sanborn, NY 14132

Dear Walt,

We received your letter requesting the support of the Town of Wheatfield in your proposal for funds to install numerous changes which would benefit the blind, handicapped and disabled at your Five Senses Nature Park.

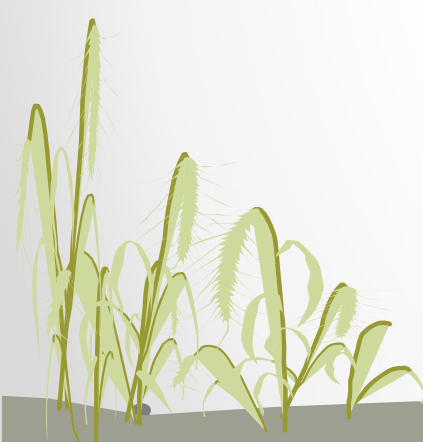
The Town Board in its entirety has agreed that the changes to the park would benefit all, especially those that are blind, handicapped and disabled.

We therefore support your proposal and wish you success in your project and application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Don MacSwan".

Don MacSwan  
Wheatfield Supervisor



**This Project is Connectable to the Town of Wheatfield's Comprehensive Plan and Greenspace Plan. Most Directly, this includes proposed plans connecting to Oppenheim Park.**



**TOWN OF WHEATFIELD**  
Greenspace  
Priority Levels I & II



**LEGEND**

- Town Owned Property
- Streams
- Preserved Greenspace, Trees, Wetlands (Priority Level I)
- Trails (Priority Level II)

0 500 1,000 2,000 Feet



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