

**CREATING A SPACE WHERE  
EVERYONE BELONGS**



**THE  
SPOT**  
@ **SNYDER PARK**  
GARDENS & ARBORETUM

**• FEEL • EXPLORE • DREAM •**

# WELCOME TO THE SPO

We're excited to bring something new and meaningful to Springfield—a public Sensory Area located at Snyder Park Gardens & Arboretum. Currently, Springfield does not have a dedicated sensory space open to the public. With the support of a grant from the National Association of REALTORS®, our team—comprising REALTORS® from the Ohio REALTORS® Leadership Academy and the Springfield Board of REALTORS®—is taking the first steps to change that. But we can't do it alone.

This brochure was designed with you in mind. Our hope is that as you read, you not only see our ask for support—you see our why, and the real need this community has for an inclusive, calming space where people of all ages and abilities can engage their senses, relax, regulate, and connect with their surroundings. We believe The Spot @ Snyder Park is the perfect place to make that vision a reality.

**TOUCH**

**SIGHT**

**HEARING**

**SMELL**

**TASTE**

# T @ SNYDER PARK



## OUR MISSION

To create a public sensory experience that promotes accessibility, inclusion, and well-being for all ages and abilities in the heart of Snyder Park.



A **SENSORY AREA** is a carefully designed space that gently engages the senses – **sight, sound, touch, smell, and movement** – through features like textured paths, musical elements, natural scents, and interactive objects.

Created to be **inclusive** and **calming**, it offers a peaceful place for people of all ages and abilities to **relax, regulate, and connect** with their surroundings.

## **WOODEN SENSORY WALLS**



## **WHAT YOU MAY**



**METAL MUSICAL  
ELEMENTS**

**MUSICAL  
FEATURES**



**COLORED TOP  
PERGOLA**

**SENSORY  
HUTS**



# **FIND AT THE SPOT**



**LOG CRAWL**

**SEATING  
AREAS**

# HELP US BUILD THE SPOT



## \$5,000 | DREAM MAKER

- Name a Sensory Spot
- Array of 8x8 Bricks with Corporate Logo (4)
- Media Recognition
- Event Announcement
- Recognition & Remarks at Dedication
- The Spot Sign Recognition
- Social Media Spotlight
- Website and Social Recognition



## \$2,500 | WISH GRANTER

- 8x8 Brick with Corporate Logo (1)
- Media Recognition
- Event Announcement
- The Spot Sign Recognition
- Website and Social Recognition



## \$1,000 | STAR CATCHER

- Personalized 8x8 Brick (1)
- Media Recognition
- The Spot Sign Recognition
- Website and Social Recognition



## \$500 | WONDER WEAVER

- 4x8 Personalized Brick (1)
- The Spot Sign Recognition
- Website and Social Recognition



## \$100 | JOYFUL HELPER

- 4x8 Personalized Brick (1)
- Website and Social Recognition



## \$50 | BRICK BUILDER

- 4x8 Personalized Brick (1)

# POT FOR EVERYONE

We are deeply grateful for your support in helping bring The Spot to life—a space centered on inclusion, connection, and joy for all. This project wouldn't be possible without the generosity of donors like you. No gift is too small, and together, we're dreaming big for the Springfield community.

As a thank you, every donation includes a personalized engraved brick that will be placed in the park, leaving a lasting tribute to your impact. To make your donation and submit your brick details—whether it's your name, a message of encouragement, or a dedication—please visit the link provided.

## SPONSOR NOW



**YOUR DONATION INCLUDES  
A PERSONALIZED ENGRAVED BRICK**



# OUR WHY

What's your passion? That's the question we asked ourselves when we were challenged, as part of the Ohio REALTORS® Leadership Academy Class of 2025, to bring an underused space to life with support from the NAR Placemaker Grant.

Stephanie thought of her children—both teachers—and her daughter and daughter-in-law who work with students with special needs. Laurie told us about the Build a Better Block initiative that transforms existing areas into healthy, vibrant neighborhoods. And Morgan talked about her son, and her hope for more inclusive places where kids like him can feel safe, seen, and celebrated.

That conversation sparked everything. When the Springfield Board of REALTORS® reached out about collaborating on a meaningful project—and we visited Snyder Park Gardens & Arboretum with its trails, gardens, dog park, and play area near the Kiwanis Children's Garden—we knew we'd found the perfect spot.

The Spot is more than a project. It's a love letter to the children and families who deserve a space where they can feel calm, curious, and completely themselves.

We can't wait to partner with you and the Springfield community to bring this vision to life.

Morgan Denius,  
Stephanie Hampton &  
Laurie Westheimer







## FAQs

### WHAT EQUIPMENT CAN THE COMMUNITY EXPECT TO ENJOY AT THE SPOT?

The Spot will feature sensory-focused equipment designed to support play, comfort, and engagement for all abilities. Specific items—like musical instruments, tactile panels, or motion-based features—will be chosen based on available sponsorship funding. Our goal is to create an inclusive space centered around sensory experiences for everyone to enjoy.

### WHEN WILL IT BE DONE?

The Spot is scheduled for completion by December, though we're hopeful the community will be able to enjoy it as early as this fall.

### WHAT IF I CAN'T GIVE MONEY—ARE THERE OTHER WAYS I CAN HELP?

Absolutely! If you're unable to give financially, there are still plenty of meaningful ways to support The Spot:

- Spread the word about our fundraiser to friends, family, and local businesses
- Volunteer to help with installation or community events
- Follow and share The Spot on social media to help build awareness
- Offer in-kind donations of materials or services
- Help us connect with potential sponsors or community partners

Every bit of support—big or small—helps bring this inclusive space to life!





**WE LOOK  
FORWARD  
TO SEE YOU AT  
THE SPOT!**

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