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Wheatfield Commons on Forest Parkway will include 114 beds for assisted-living and memory-care residents.

Wheatfield getting another senior living facility

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Building Buffalo is a regular feature highlighting progress on development projects throughout the region.

Project name: Wheatfield Commons

Address: 3920 Forest Parkway, Wheatfield

Developer: DePaul Developmental Services

Cost: \$9.4 million

Government assistance: Property tax break

Description: Construction of new senior living community in Niagara County, with 114 beds and 55,000 square feet

Completion date: Fall 2017

Lowdown: Construction has begun on a new senior living community in Wheatfield to be completed and ready for tenants in fall of 2017.

DePaul Developmental Services is putting up its new Wheatfield Commons in suburban Niagara County, with 114 beds for assisted-living and memory-care residents. The project is being constructed within Wheatfield-based Calamar Enterprises' Woodlands Corporate Center, a 120-acre mixed-use complex on Forest Parkway, off Shawnee Road.

The 55,000-square-foot community is designed as a "country-style" community with dormer windows, French doors and covered porches. All units will have kitchenettes, and suites will have a large bedroom with a living and dining area.

The 80 assisted-living and 34 memory-care residents will have a choice of fully furnished private or semi-private units, and the complex also offers lounges, activity space, a bathing spa and access to a doctor and staff support. Rates include three meals, medication assistance, and help with daily activities.

“We look forward to playing a vital role in the lives of seniors and their families in Niagara County and providing the very highest-quality services to those who will be in our care,” said DePaul President Mark Fuller.

This is the fifth senior living community developed in New York State by Rochester-based DePaul, which provides independent living, assisted living, memory care and respite care. It also operates the Glenwell campus at 2248 Old Union Road in Cheektowaga, as well as facilities in the Rochester suburbs of Canandaigua, North Chili and Henrietta.

The company also has 14 communities in North Carolina and one in South Carolina, with a total of 1,700 residents.

Founded in 1958, DePaul is a private nonprofit that serves nearly 5,000 people annually in over 60 program sites in 10 counties of Western New York, 11 counties in North Carolina and one in South Carolina.

The project is being developed by Calamar Land Development Corp. The new complex also joins a separate 92-unit senior community, Forestview Senior Village, that Calamar built at Woodlands in 2010.

“We are very pleased to have been given the opportunity to build for DePaul’s Wheatfield Commons assisted-living community, and that they have selected the Woodlands Residential Village for this important development,” said Calamar Chairman and CEO Kenneth M. Franasiak. “We’ve been working on this project for a very long time and it’s wonderful to see it come to fruition.”

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