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Guides



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The 30-acre Optimist Park includes a nature trail, athletic fields, swimming pool, playground, tennis courts and a community center.



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**States:** North Carolina

**Counties:** Wake

Length: 0.85miles

**Trail end points:** Mine Creek Trail N. of  
Shelley Lake to Northclift Dr.at Optimist Park

**Trail surfaces:** Asphalt

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike, Walking, Wheelchair  
Accessible

## Parking & Trail Access

Parking is available around the 700 block of Northclift Drive and on the street around 6190 Dixon Drive and around 6025 North Hills Drive. For more information on other parking places and access points, contact:

Raleigh Parks & Recreation  
222 West Hargett Street  
Raleigh, NC 27601  
919-890-3285  
[parks.raleighnc.gov](http://parks.raleighnc.gov)



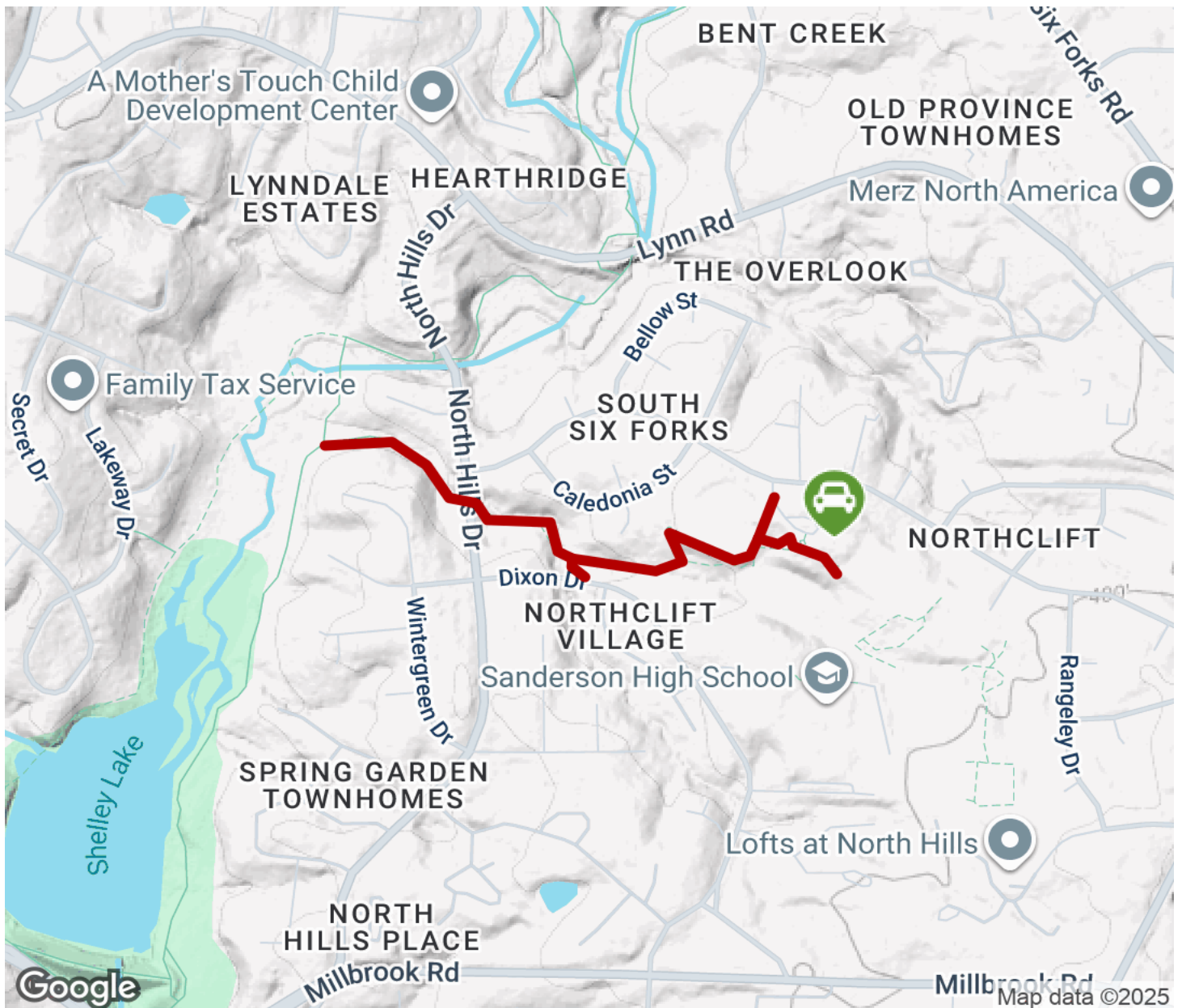
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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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