

## ALLIANCE HOUSING

The mission of Alliance Housing Inc. is to change lives and build stronger communities by providing housing stability for very low income individuals and families in Minneapolis and the wider Twin Cities metropolitan area. Alliance Housing was born out of the vision of St. Stephens' Catholic Church volunteers and emergency shelter staff and residents who wanted to create tangible, long term housing solutions for homeless families and individuals. The nonprofit (not religious affiliated) organization was incorporated in 1991 and took advantage of vacant and available properties at low cost in South Minneapolis. Alliance continues to honor its history by developing housing solutions for homeless, poor and other individuals shut out of market opportunities.

## HOMELESS

Homelessness and the need for affordable housing is merely the product of far greater social, health, economic, and personal problems. Our objective is to not provide a shelter, but to create a space that provides the following

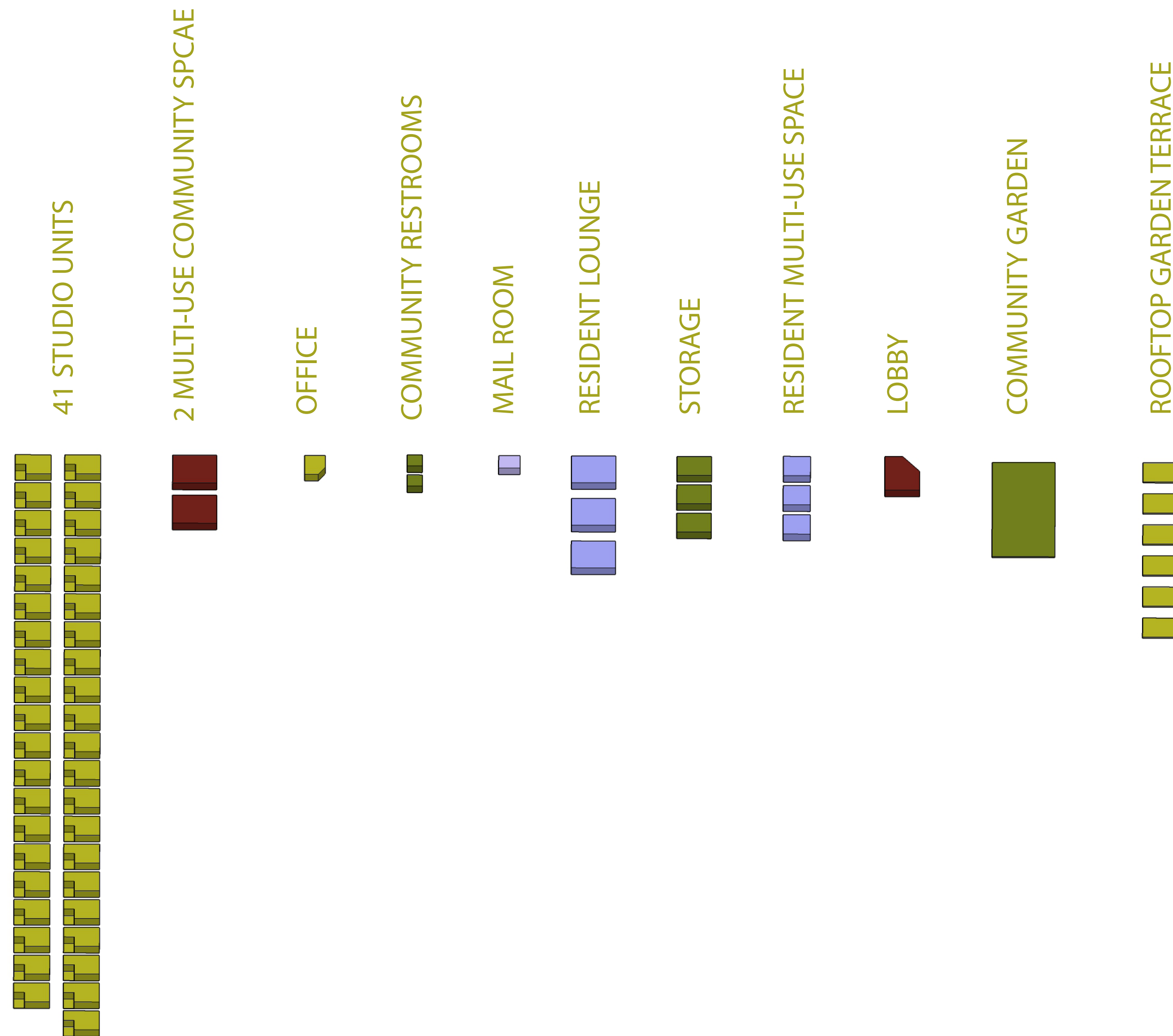
- An environment that cultivates healthy community and relationships.
- Comfort and security.
- Opportunity for personal growth and meaningful engagement with their environment
- Restorative space that provides and therapeutic environment
- Dignity, individuality.

## THE TASK

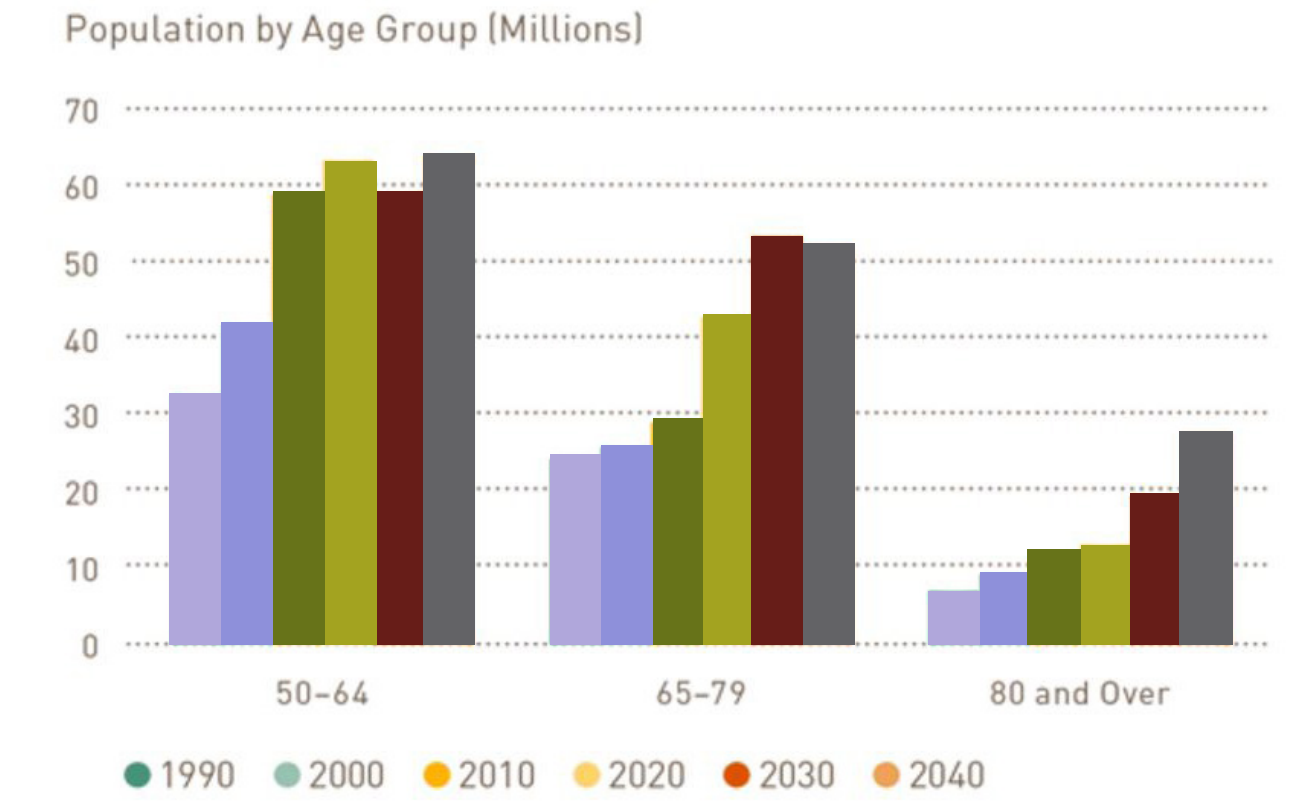
Alliance has a purchase agreement on a piece of land on E. Lake Street. It proposes to build a 30-60 unit apartment building for homeless adults, age 55 and older. Many of these residents will have poor health, histories of addiction and mental health challenges, petty or old criminal histories related to homelessness or addiction, and minimal income.

Alliance is looking for internal and external space design and amenities that can help build social connections among residents and replace the negative influences of the "community of the street" with the community of stable residents. Alliance has focus group data from a group of housed and homeless elders that can offer guidance. There are good examples of how stable housing and a supportive community environment are a foundation for a more positive lifestyle and opportunity to make other positive change. The lack of it leads to other chaos.

## PROGRAM

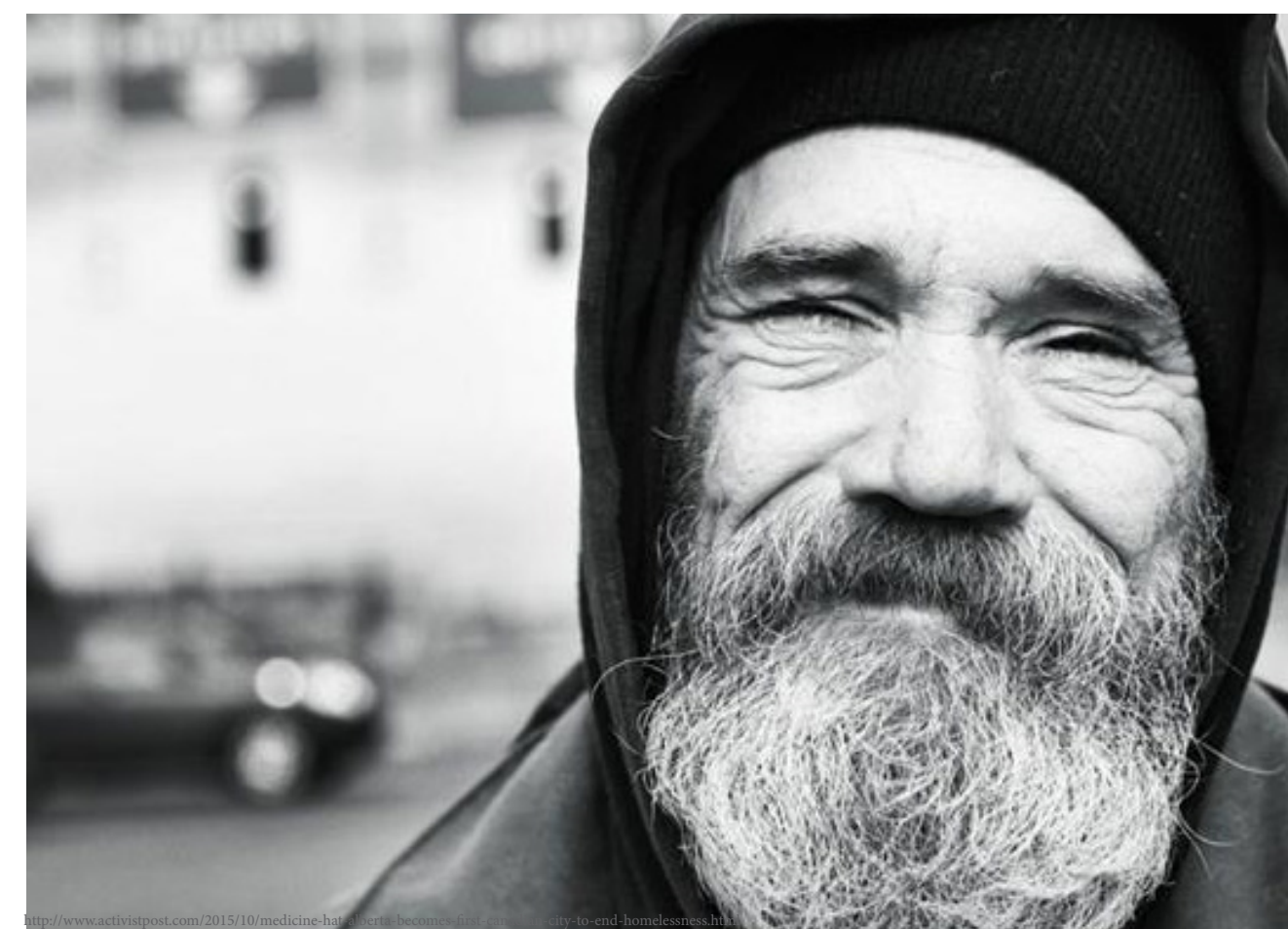


## The Older Population Is on Track to Increase Dramatically

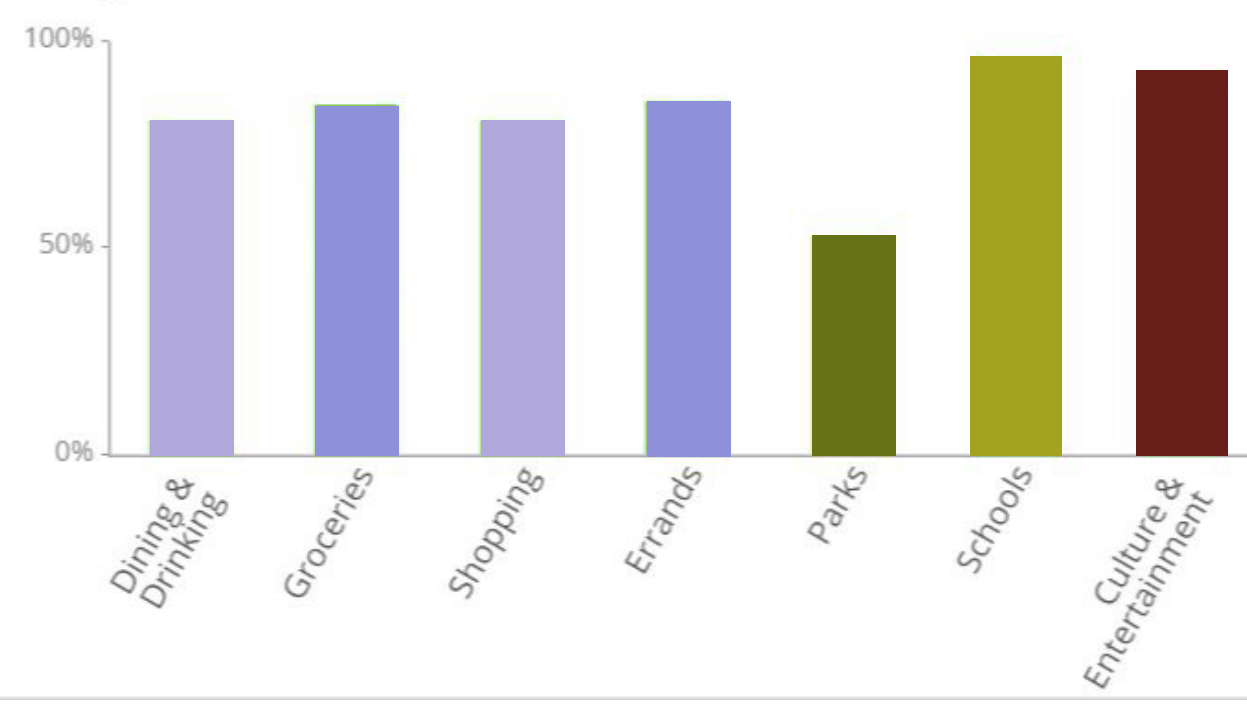


## OUR KEY TAKE AWAYS:

- HOME
- RELAXATION
- CULTIVATE
- PURPOSE
- VIBRANT
- OWNERSHIP
- IDENTITY
- SAFETY
- COMMUNITY
- "SNAZZY"



The Walk Score for 3001 East Lake Street is based on the following categories.



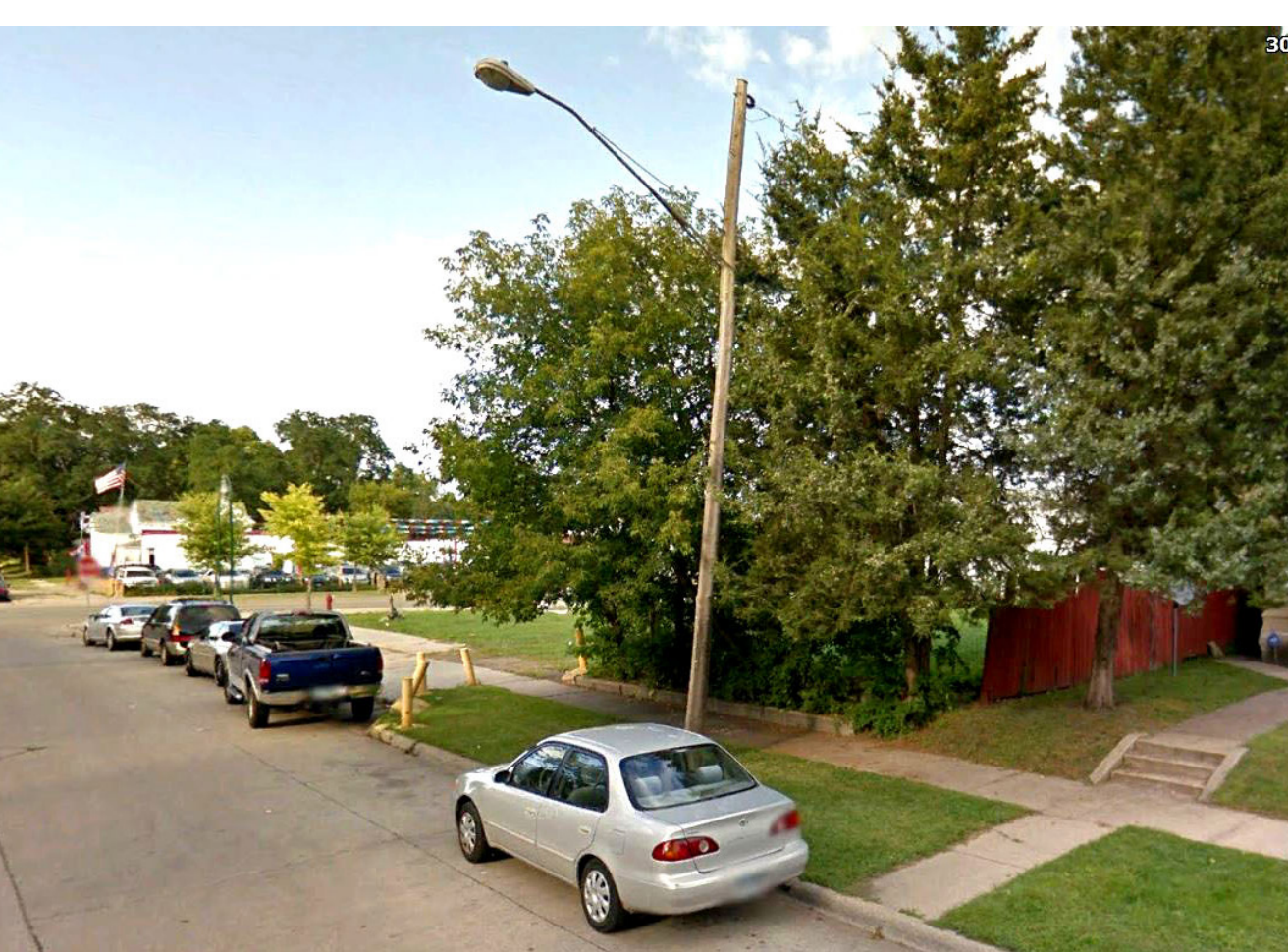
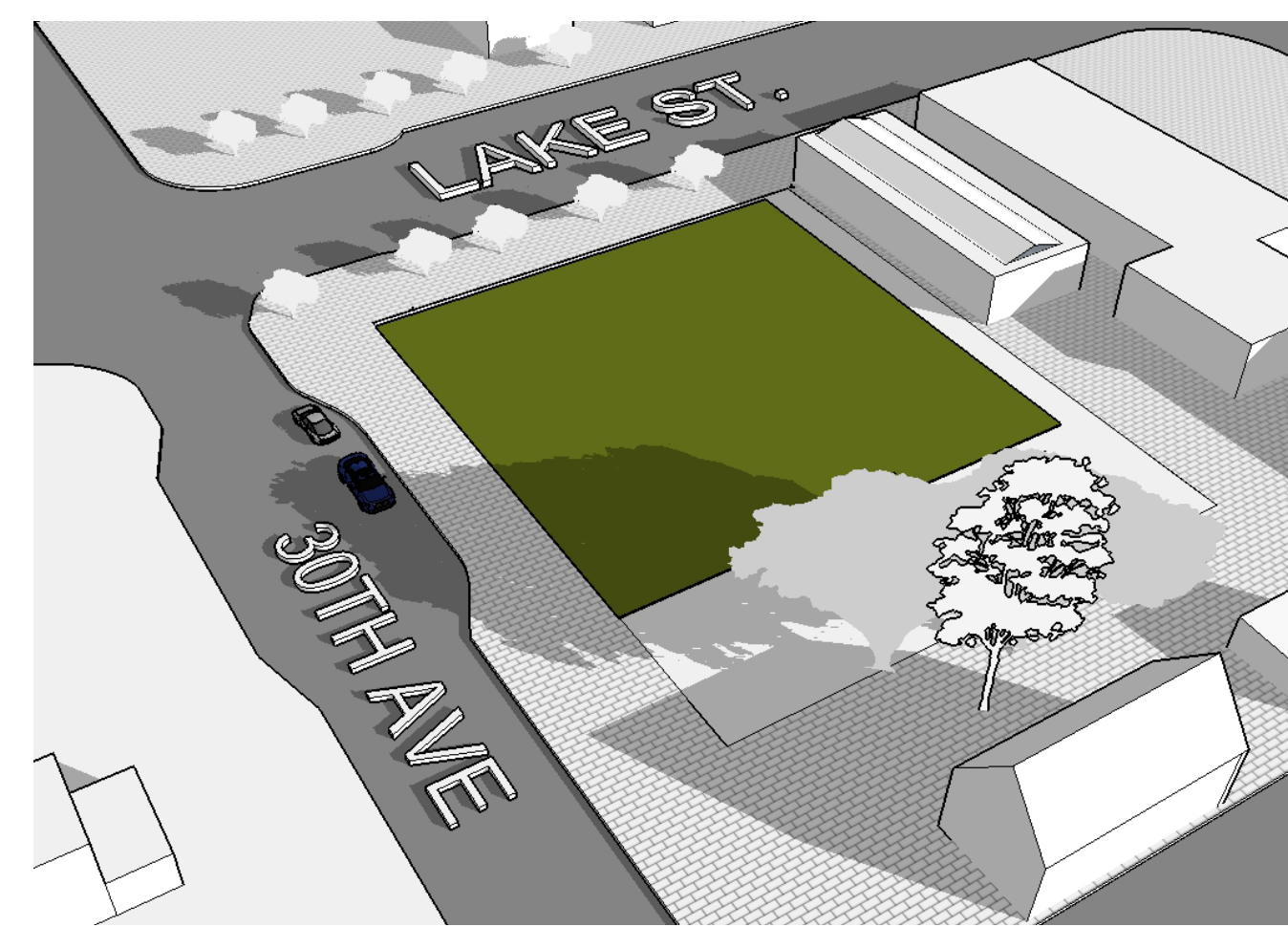
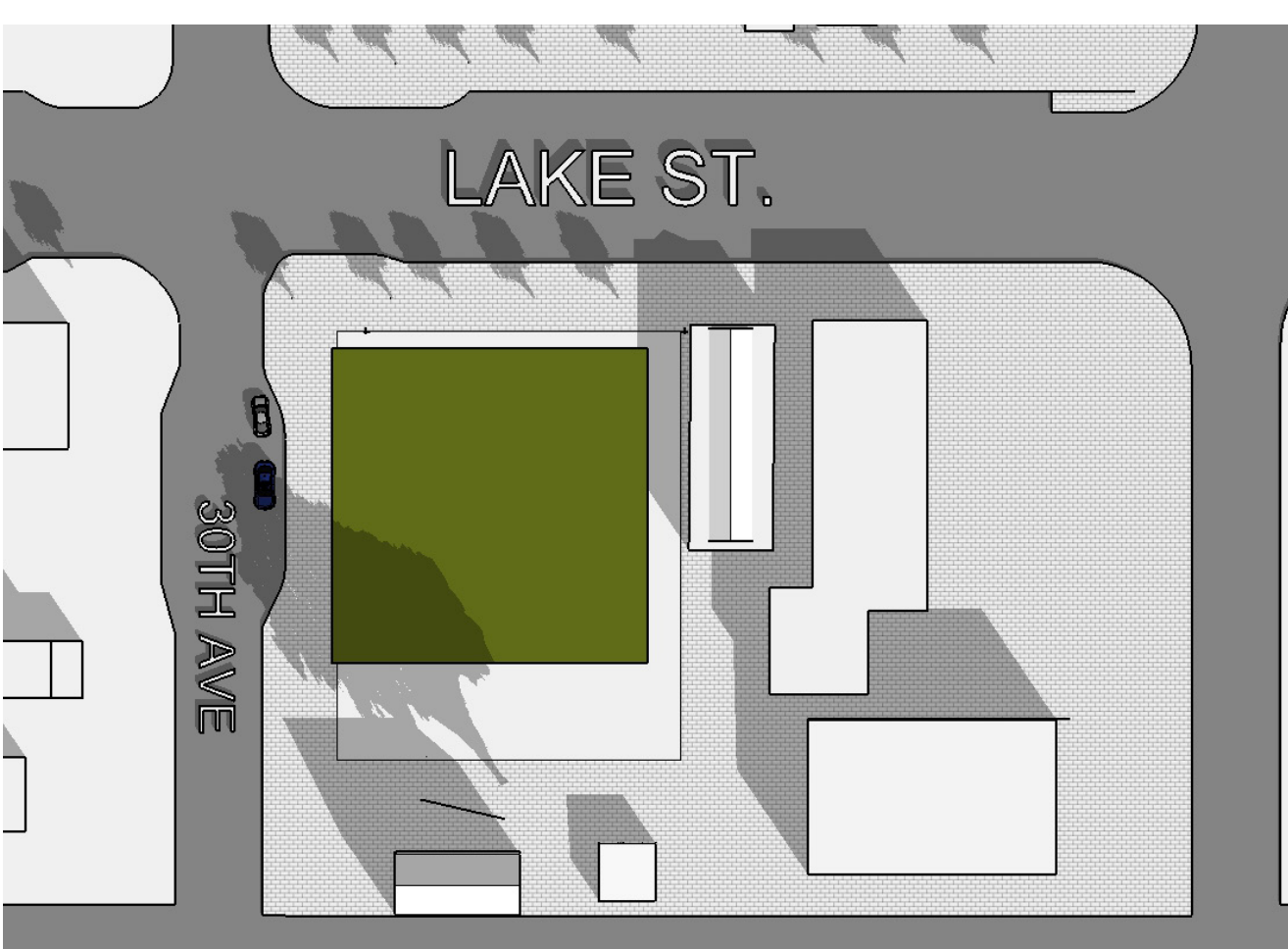
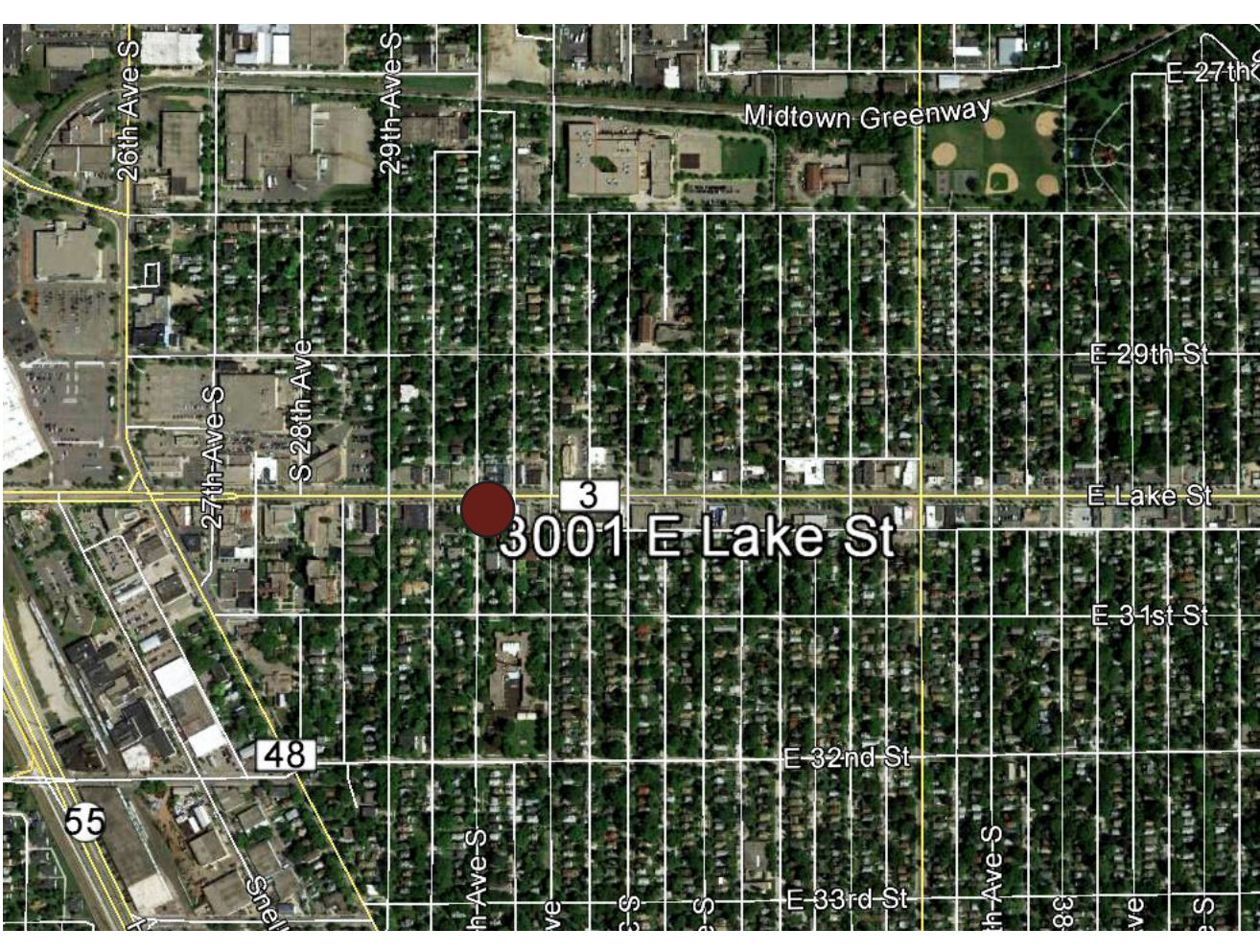
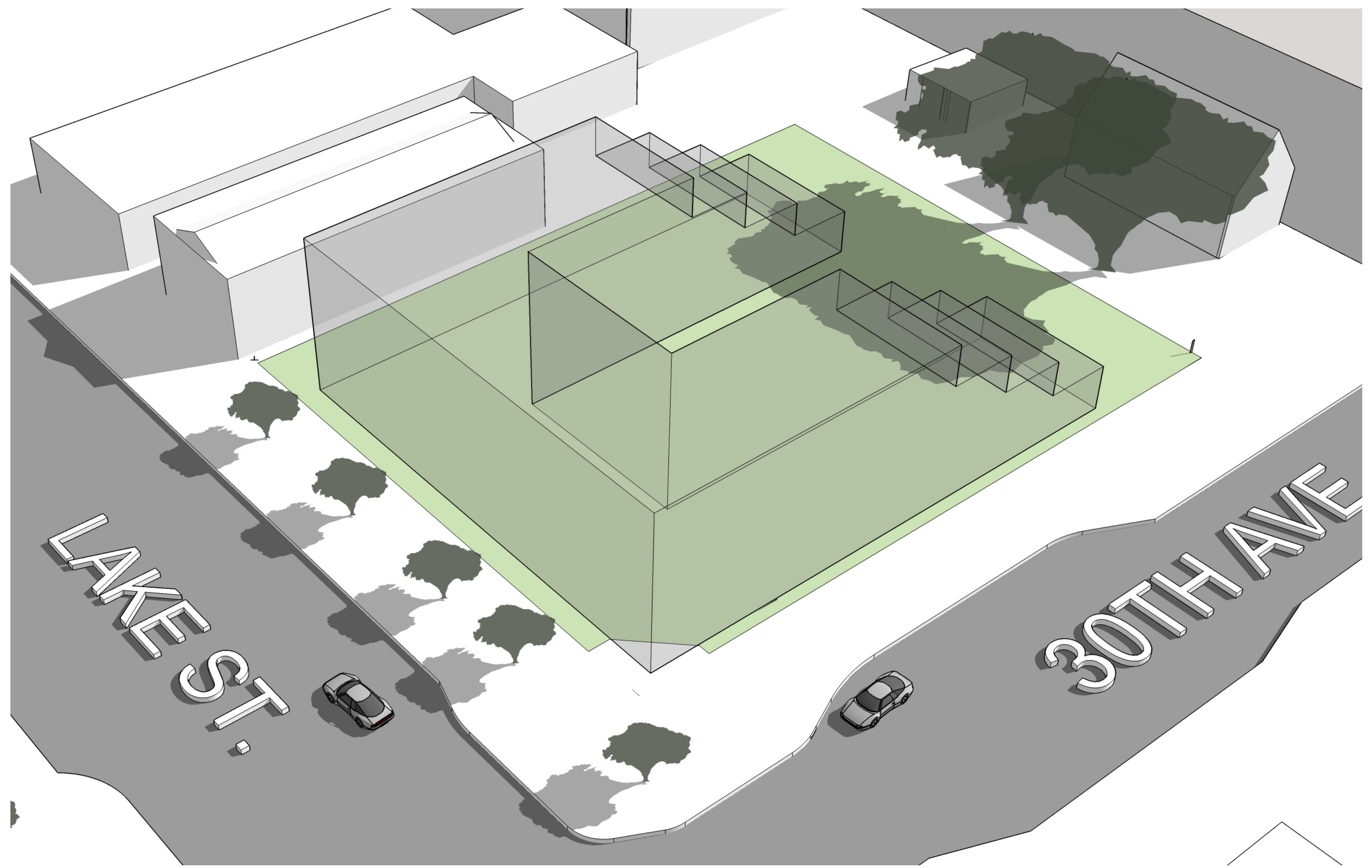
Walk Score **81**    Transit Score **57**    Bike Score **85**

Transit Score measures how well a location is served by public transit based on the distance and type of nearby transit lines.

- 90-100 Rider's Paradise**  
World-class public transportation
- 70-89 Excellent Transit**  
Transit is convenient for most trips
- 50-69 Good Transit**  
Many nearby public transportation options
- 25-49 Some Transit**  
A few nearby public transportation options
- 0-24 Minimal Transit**  
It is possible to get on a bus

Bike Score measures whether an area is good for biking based on bike lanes and trails, hills, road connectivity, and destinations.

- 90-100 Biker's Paradise**  
Daily errands can be accomplished on a bike
- 70-89 Very Bikeable**  
Biking is convenient for most trips
- 50-69 Bikeable**  
Some bike infrastructure
- 0-49 Somewhat Bikeable**  
Minimal bike infrastructure



The proposed site for the new residence is a vacant lot in the Longfellow neighborhood at 3001 E Lake street. It is located at the intersection of East Lake Street and 30th Avenue South approximately 1/2 mile east of Hiawatha Avenue. The site has a prominent street presence on a heavily traveled four lane road that crosses the river to the east. The site is zoned as C2 and borders a residential zone to the south, commercial zone to the east and west, Lake Street to the north, and residential zoning further to the north across Lake Street.





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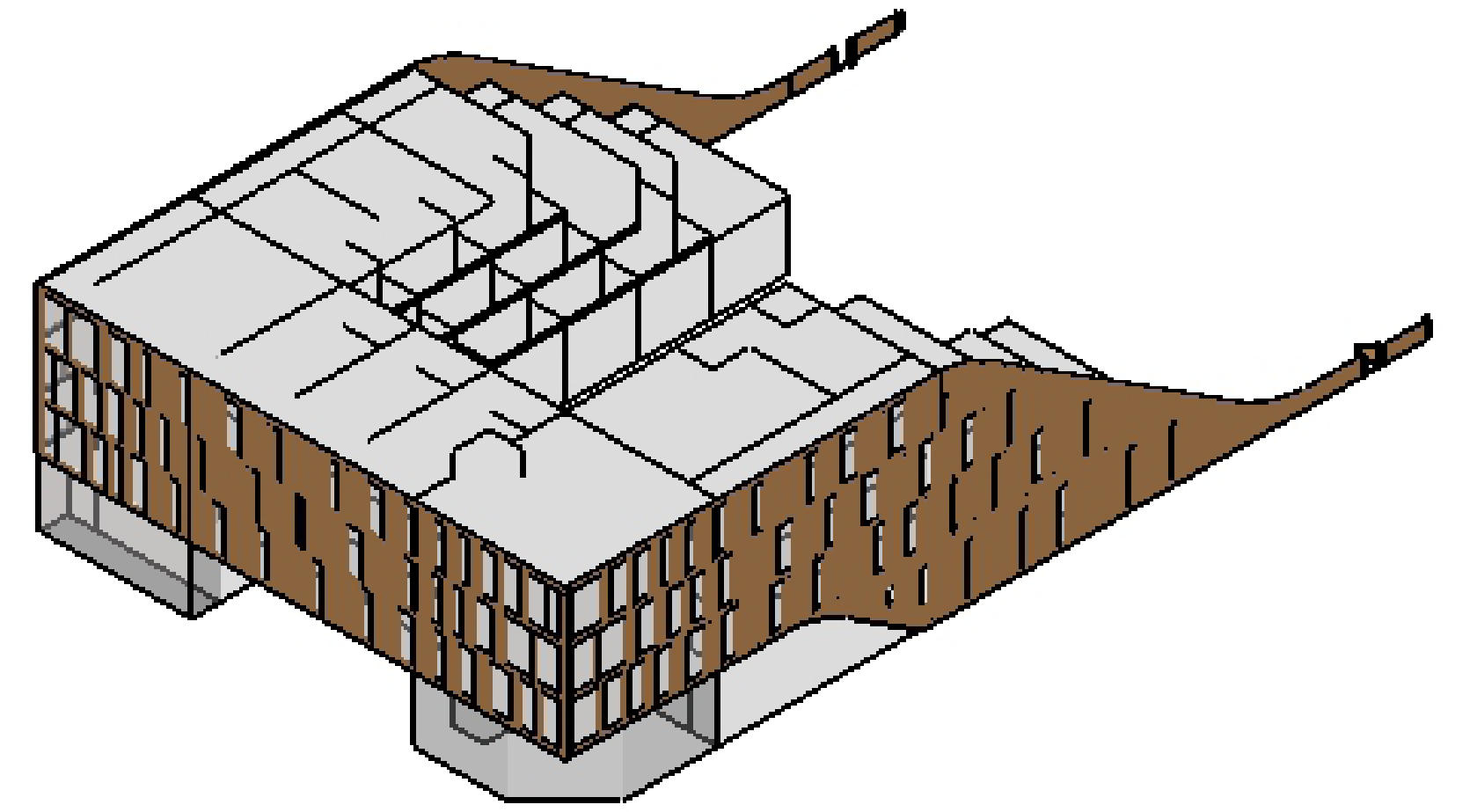
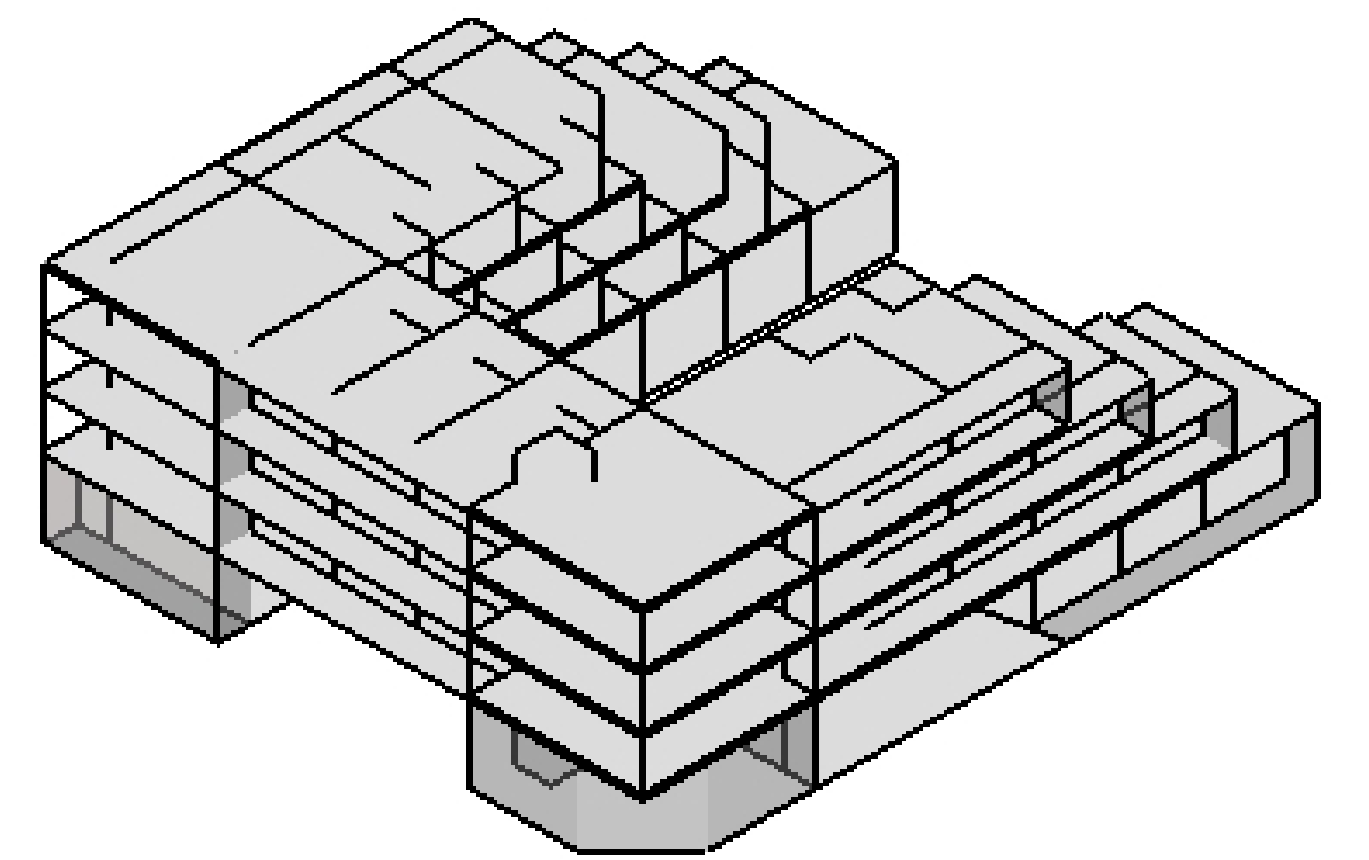
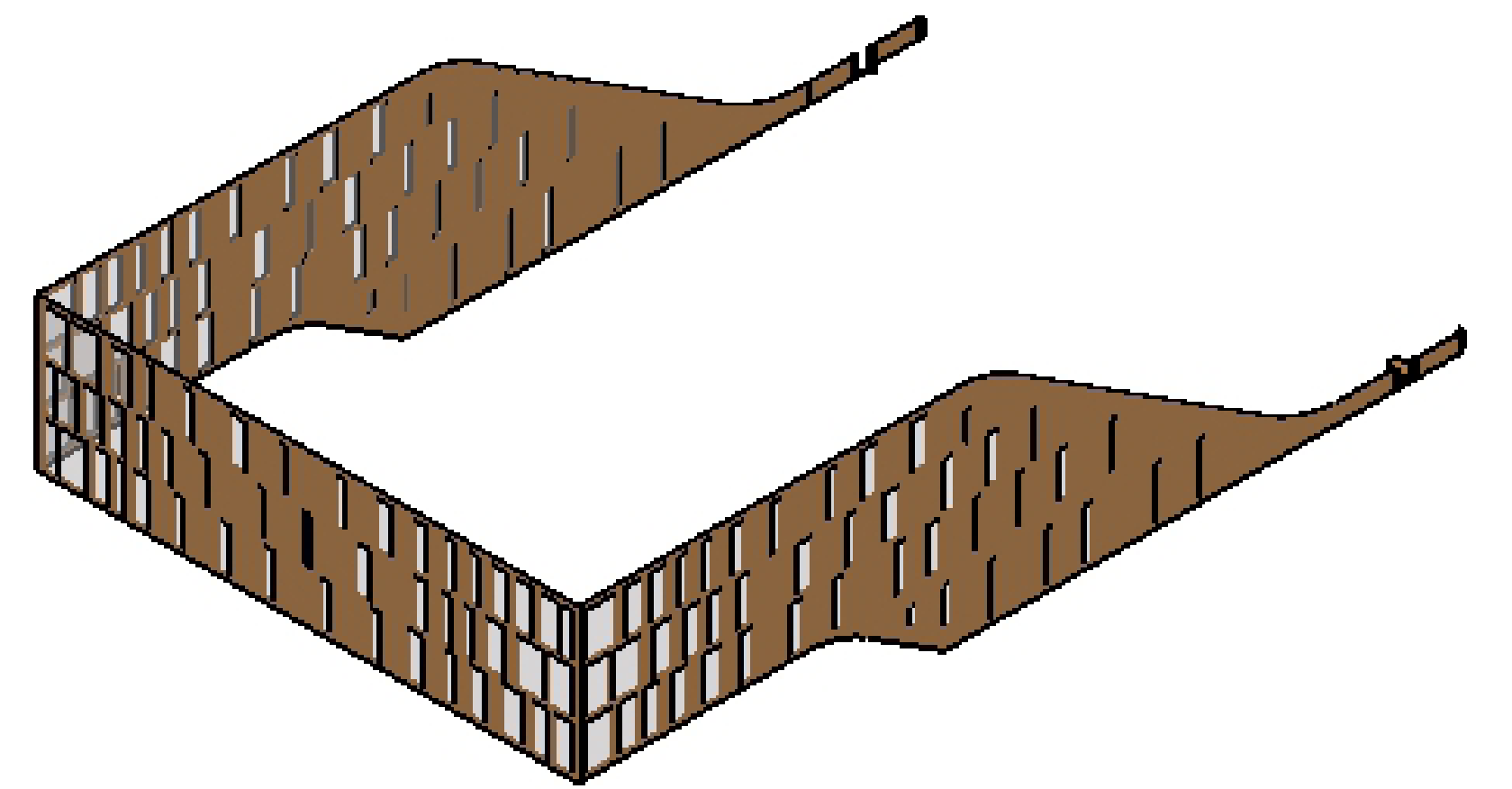


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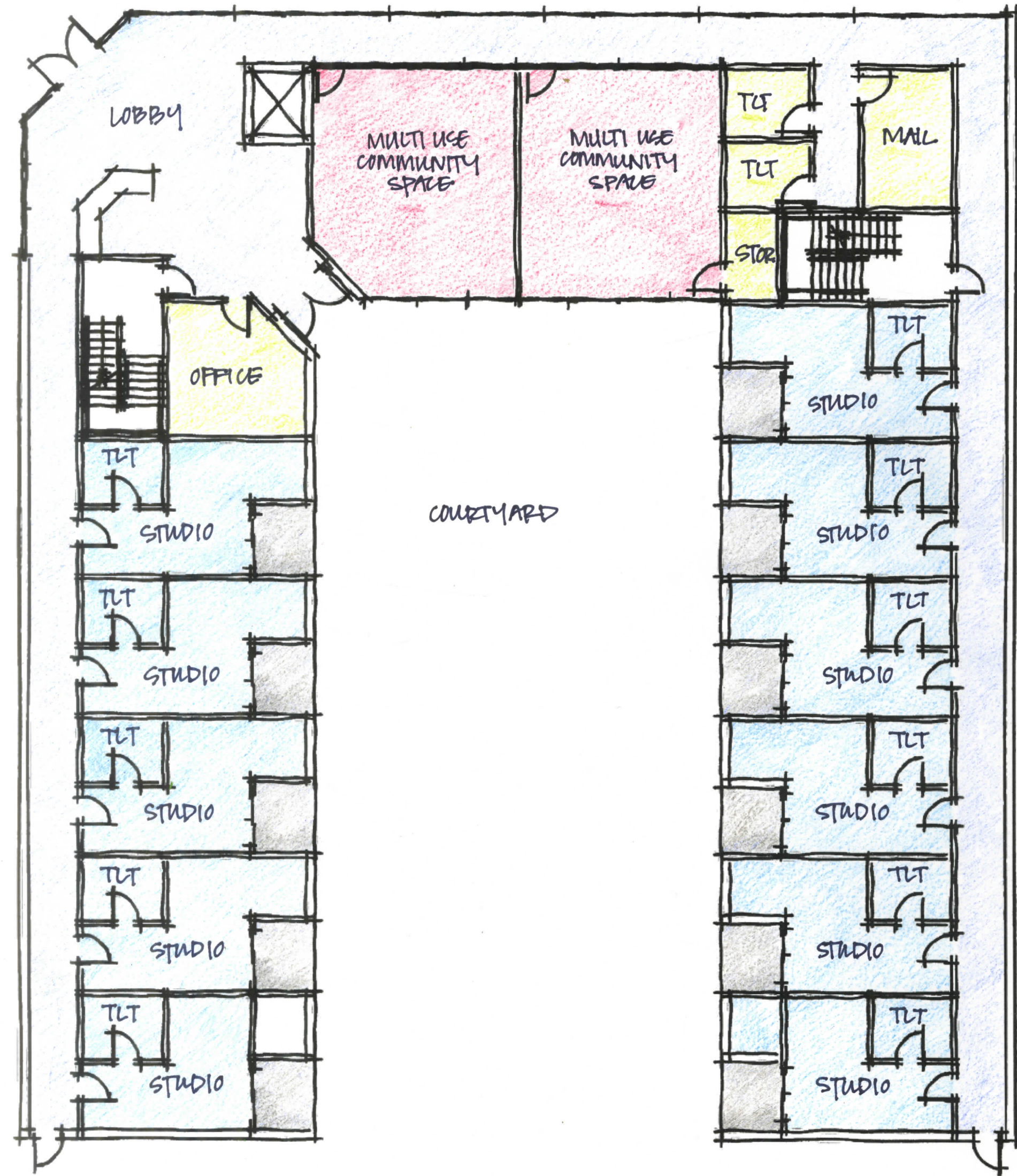


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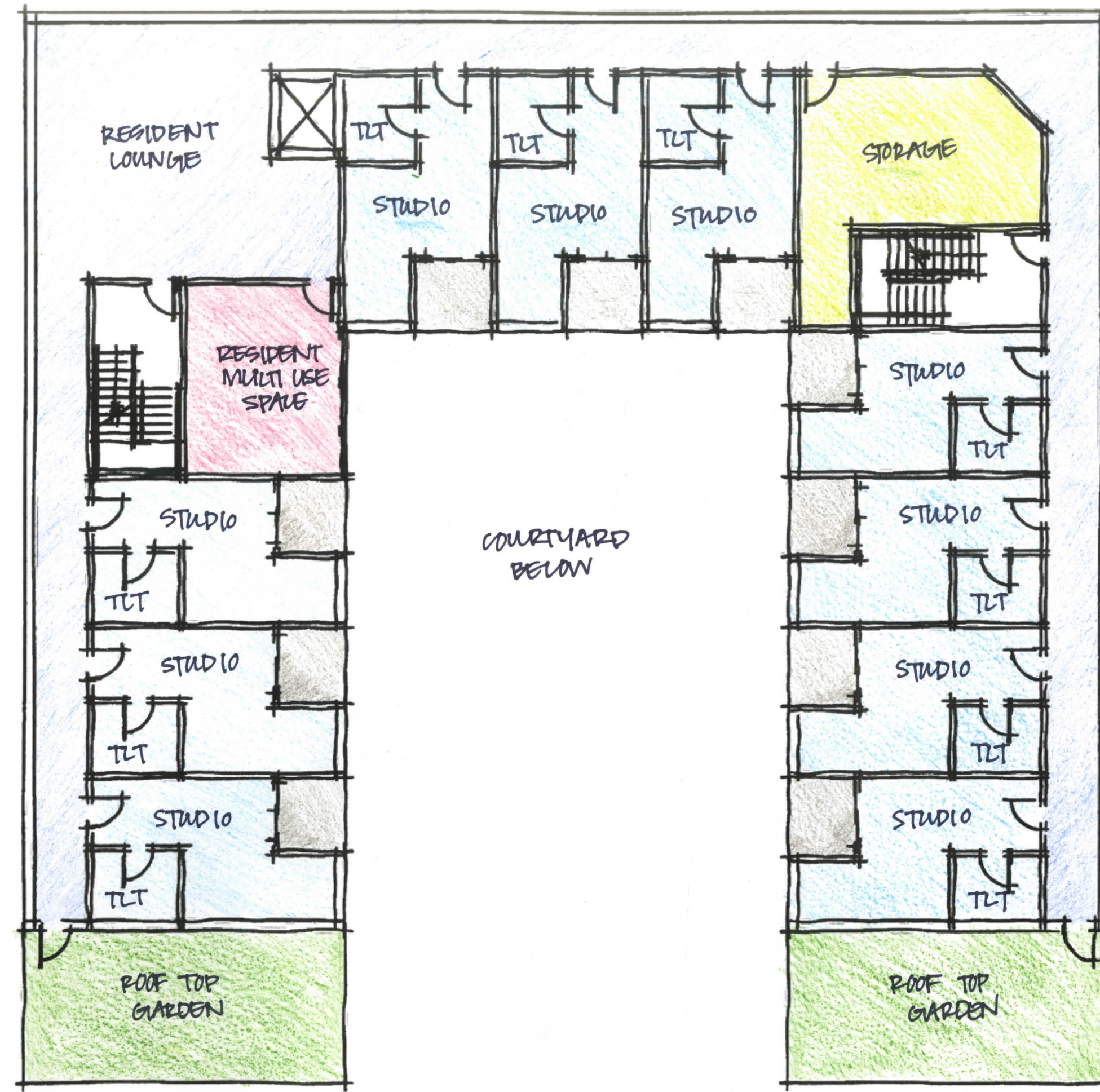
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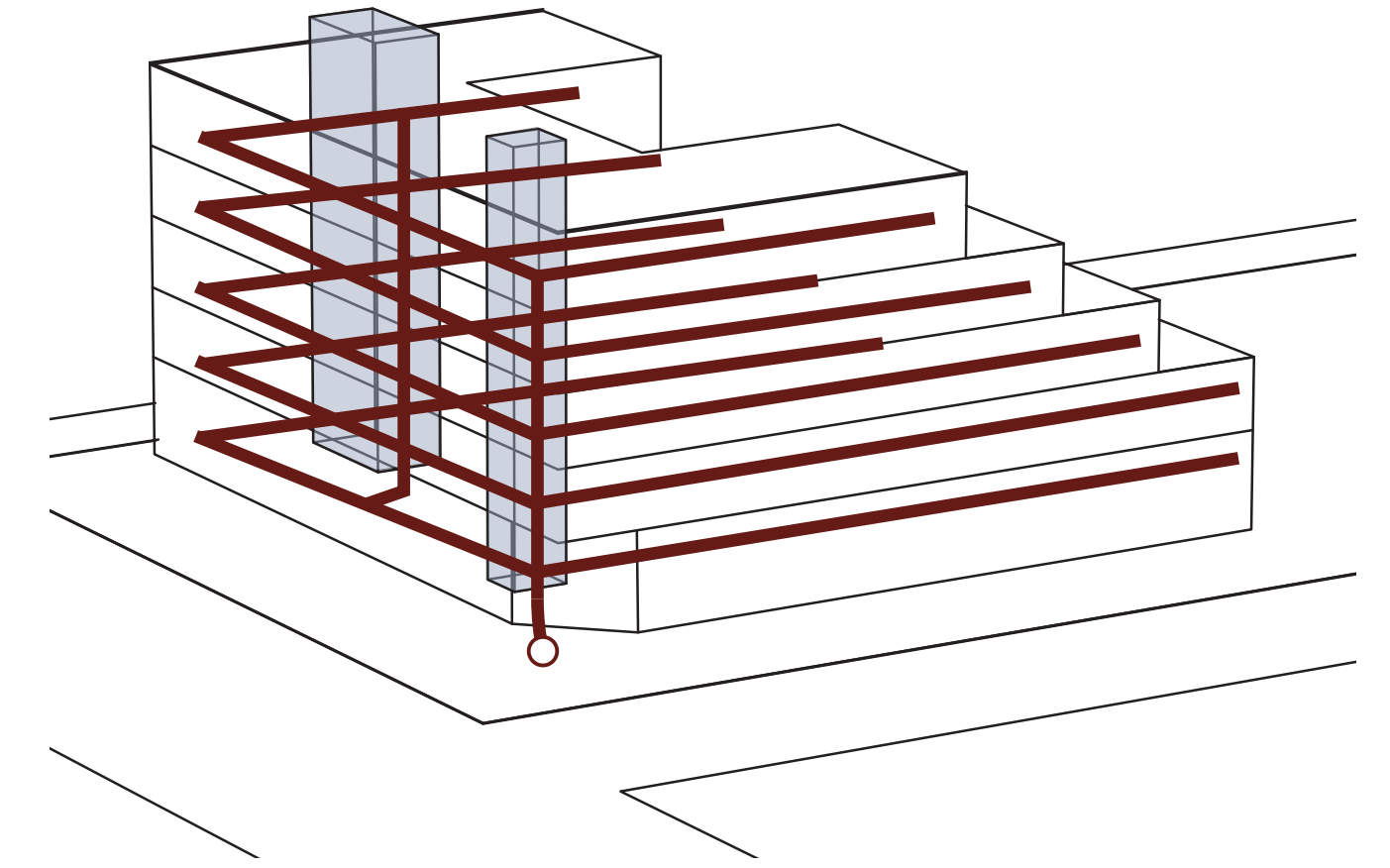
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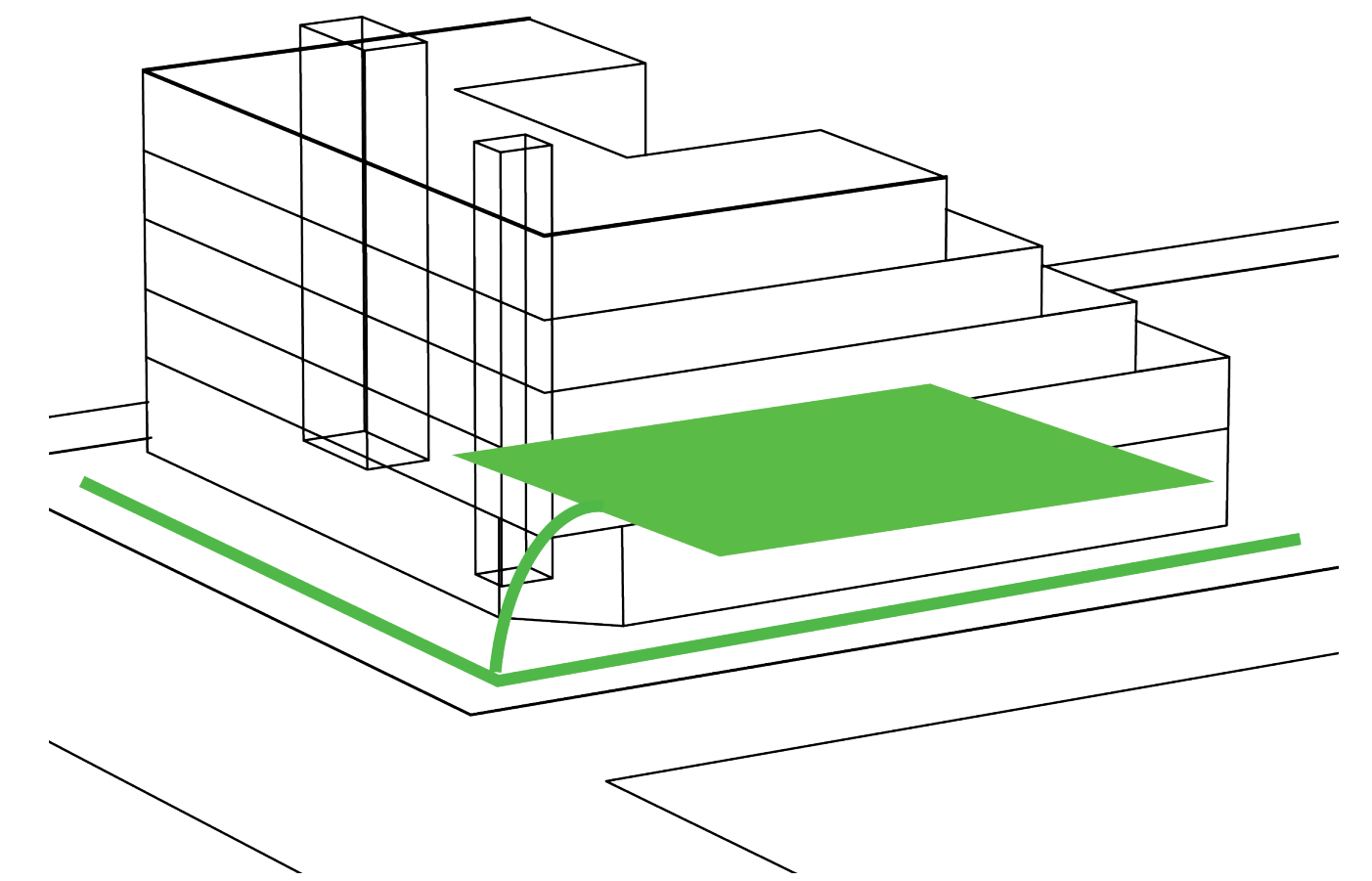
SECOND - FOURTH FLOOR



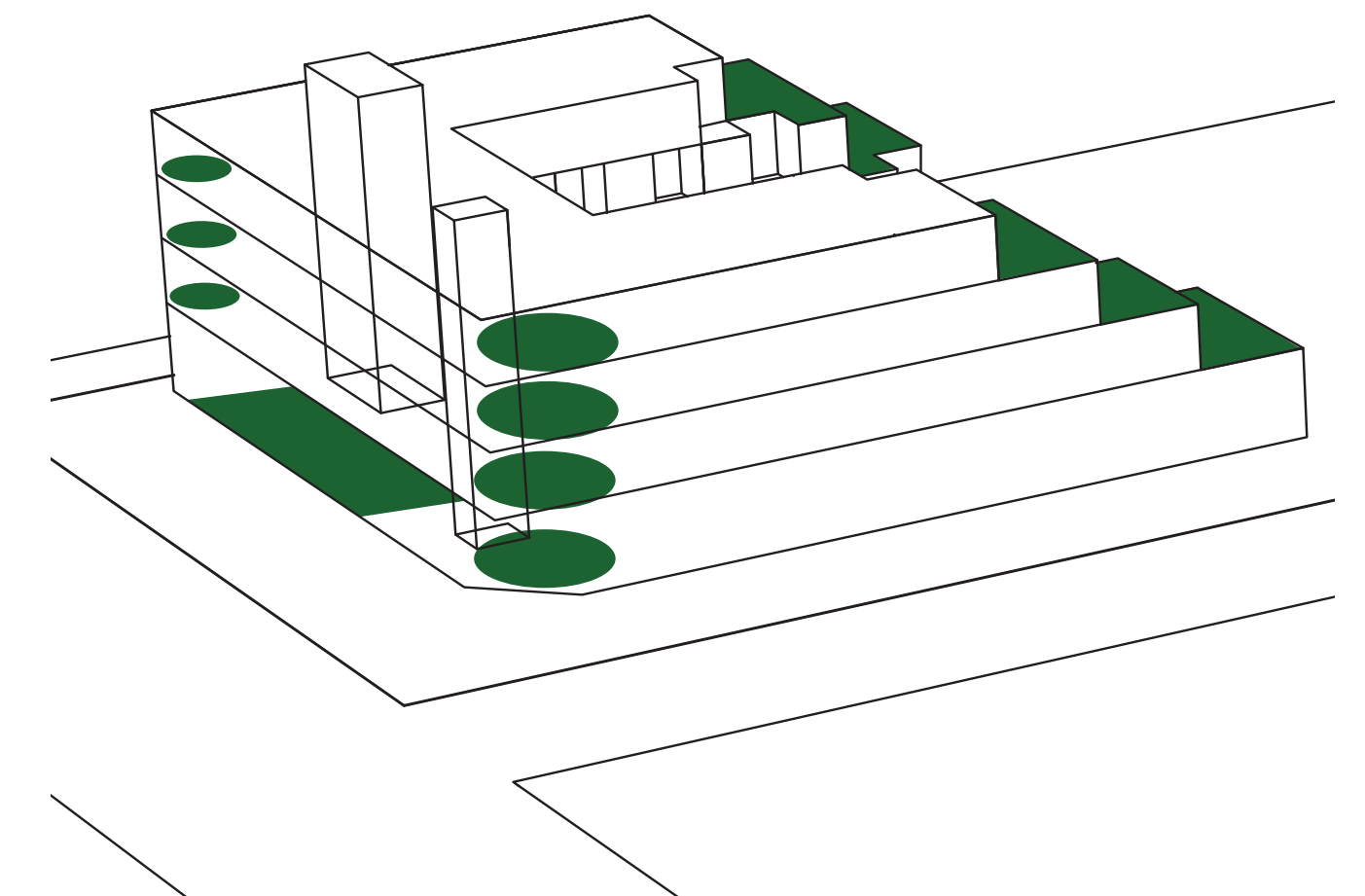
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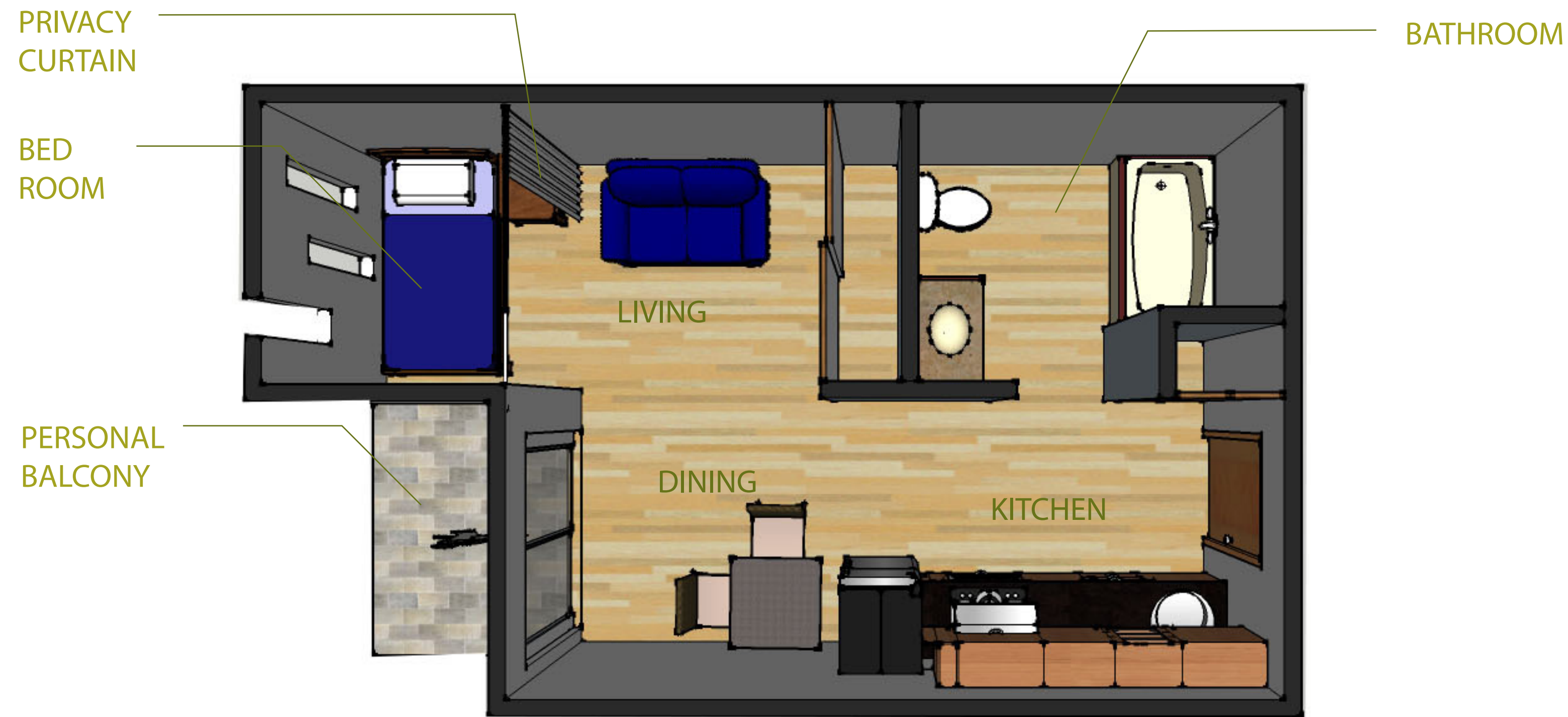


COMMON SPACE



SECTION

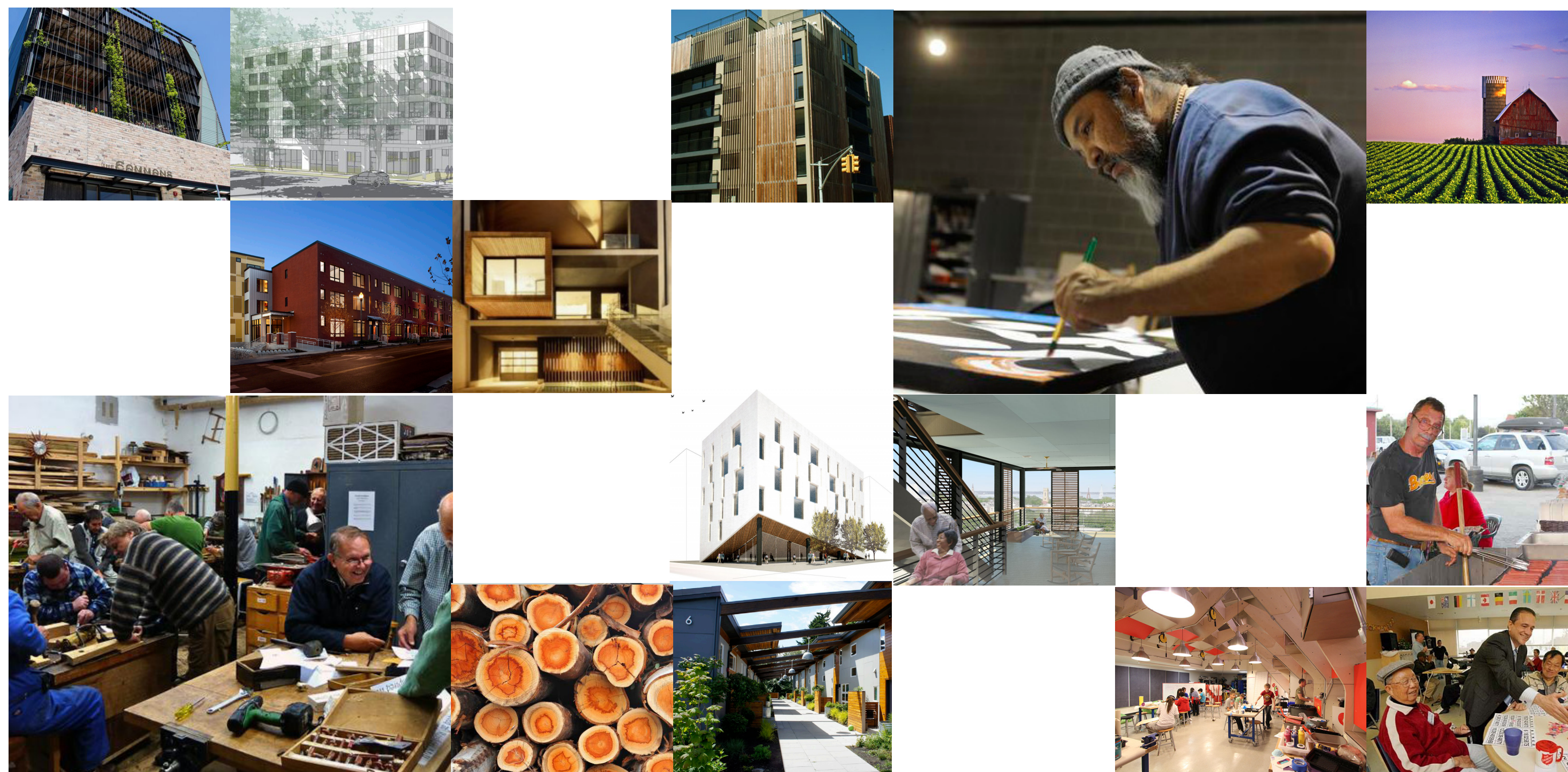
## TYPICAL BEDROOM



## COURTYARD



## INSPIRATION



## ROOF TOP GARDEN TERRACE

