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-Paul Wellstone

There are many barriers to the pursuit of a career in architecture and the endurance to succeed in the profession, and these are particularly challenging to populations in the minority in terms of socio-economic status, race, gender, veteran status, and physical ability. Capturing the wisdom and experience of this depth of demographics, however, is critical if we hope to meet the most pressing issues of our day, from affordable housing to carbon neutrality.

The AIA Minnesota Board of Directors has adopted a resolution putting annual membership increases of 2.5% for females and 2.75% for racially and economically minorities stating: "We believe that when the culture, demographic and ethnographic makeup of our members mirrors the communities our members serve, the profession will be better suited for long-term growth."

The provided program lends itself well to improving the diversity of architects in Minnesota, but there is an opportunity to better support the success of architecture students until young professionals through two additional programs: providing community-based housing for current architecture students wanting the Community Design Collaborative and increasing the support services provided in the Wellness Hub. With an affordable FAR of 1.7, the program aims to expand to better support these future architects and encourage youth in the Harrison Neighborhood to consider the profession.

Rather than creating new organizations in a neighborhood with many non-profits, this design brings partners together at a critical, highly-visible intersection who will continue their work to strengthen the community utilizing strategies designed to reduce the potential of gentrification.

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economically equitable and neighborhood-serving self-horizon-designed-and-made products
space accessible to all community members
a career training and mentorship for aspiring designers in the neighborhood
classrooms on-site reduce burden of coursework, and bring the classroom to where the community is as well
amenities of intersection allow students and young professionals time to focus on work and study rather than meeting basic needs

Sustainable materials
structure primarily wood (hevy timber and cross-illustrated timber), sequoia-cored column (through Wisconsin company Whole Trees)
roof leaf preserved from site and utilized as primary column (through Wisconsin company Whole Trees)
green roof (reduces heat island effect, provides relaxation for students and staff)

Energy independence
passive design (flat, high-insulated walls, southern glazing, operable windows)
maximized daylight (north light through monolithic, high-sided southern light in wall, fritted southern light in wall window)
high-efficiency lighting and appliances
real-time monitoring of energy use, particularly for equipment
solar panels provide energy to near net-zero and one islandable, making facilities community safety hub during power outages

Food security
affordable, healthy, local produce visibly available
cooking education
shared meals

Wellness Hub
Greenhouse: Food produced for residents all year long, this feature is utilized for fresh healthy food
Fitness studio: Spacious yoga and wellness programs and clinics
Community Kitchen and Classroom: Available for cooking classes, community meals, health clinics, and housing center for the post-occupancy site
Corner Grocery: Local produce from the greenhouse and other local business

Community Design Collaborative
Housing: Provide support for students pursuing architecture as well as young professionals by providing a supportive residential community for students and fellows working with the Center for Public Interest Design, as well as the community at large

Wellness Hub
Ground floor: Concourse, a drop-in health and wellness center
Community Cafe: Community cafe anchors first floor
Commons, a drop-in health and wellness center
Venture North Coffee
SunnySide Coffee Cafe
Community Garden and Pizza Oven

Context: Glenwood Avenue
Community asset food new development

Glenwood Avenue North:

Display 1: Hy-Vee, formerly known as Hy-Vee Express, is a convenience store and also a parking for easy access to urban spaces, urban center, and materials.
Display 2: Case Study Home Sites: These site are owned by the Community and the design projects to the local food market and neighborhood.
Display 3: Rogers’ Market: Convenience store
Display 4: City of Lakes Community Land Trust: Seeking community ownership that preserves affordability and mobility.
Display 5: Former People’s Place: Former home of the Redeemer Center for Life youth programs as well as an auto shop.
Display 6: Redeemer Lutheran Church
Display 7: Redeemer Center for Life (RCL): Non-profit founded in 1999 by Redeemer Lutheran in response to the neighborhood’s identification of three primary desiderata: job growth, affordable housing, and youth development. Redeemer along Glenwood identified RCL.
Display 8: Midtown Cafe: Community cafe anchors the floor of housing developed by RCL in 2013.
Display 9: The Living Room (RCL): The Living Room is a community space that hosts festivals and events and is located within Redeemer Lutheran Church, a faith community that has been part of the neighborhood for over 100 years.