

(Grant Wiggins circles with corners)

THESIS STATEMENT – Materialism is a preoccupation with or stress upon material rather than intellectual or spiritual things. Individuals need to focus on transcendent goals to move away from material existence. By devoting oneself to the community and people around us, this can be accomplished. Through minimalist design in the space planning of a community center, areas will be designed for human interaction. This will motivate the individual to live for enjoyment instead of pleasure, through unity.

CONCEPT

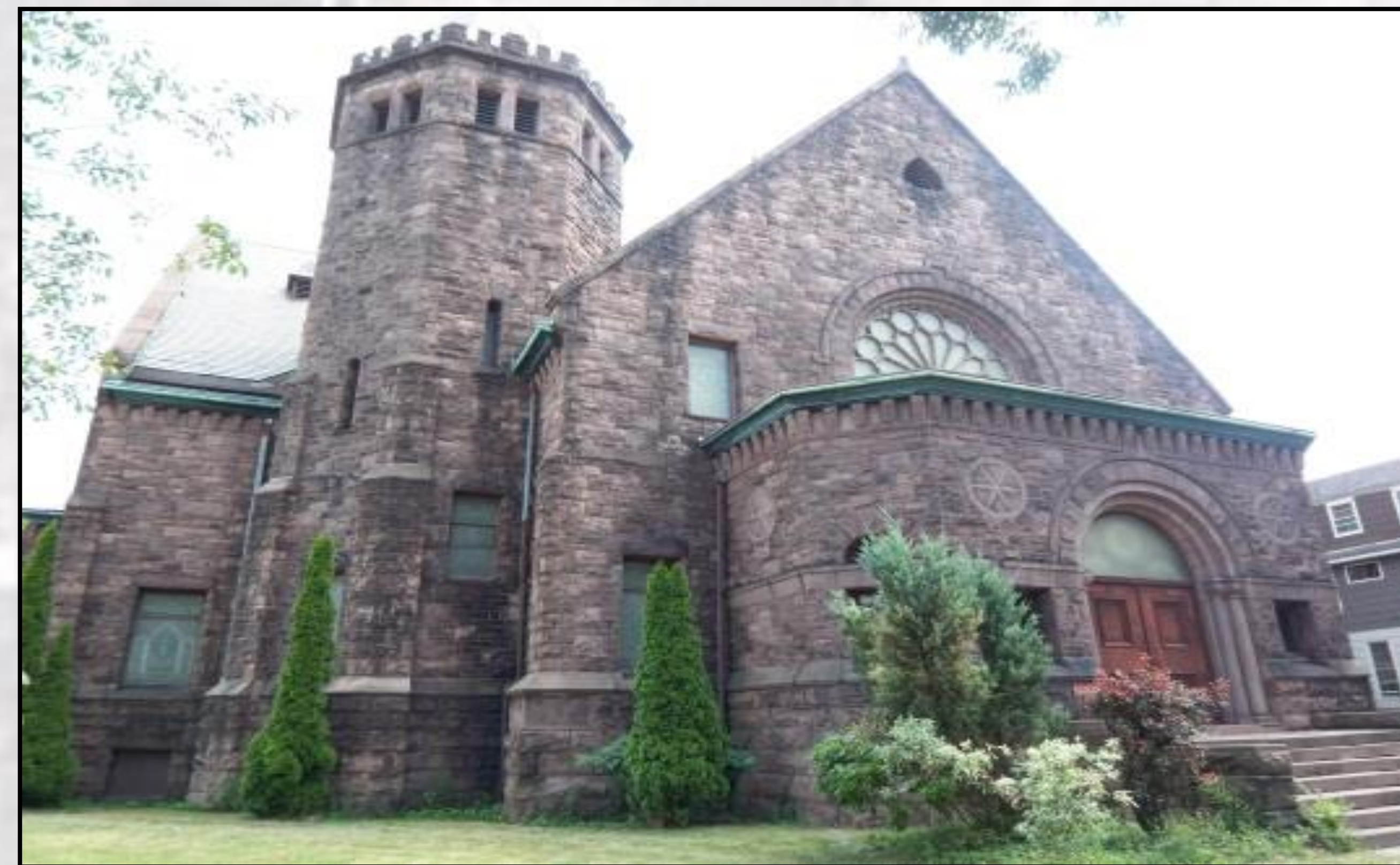
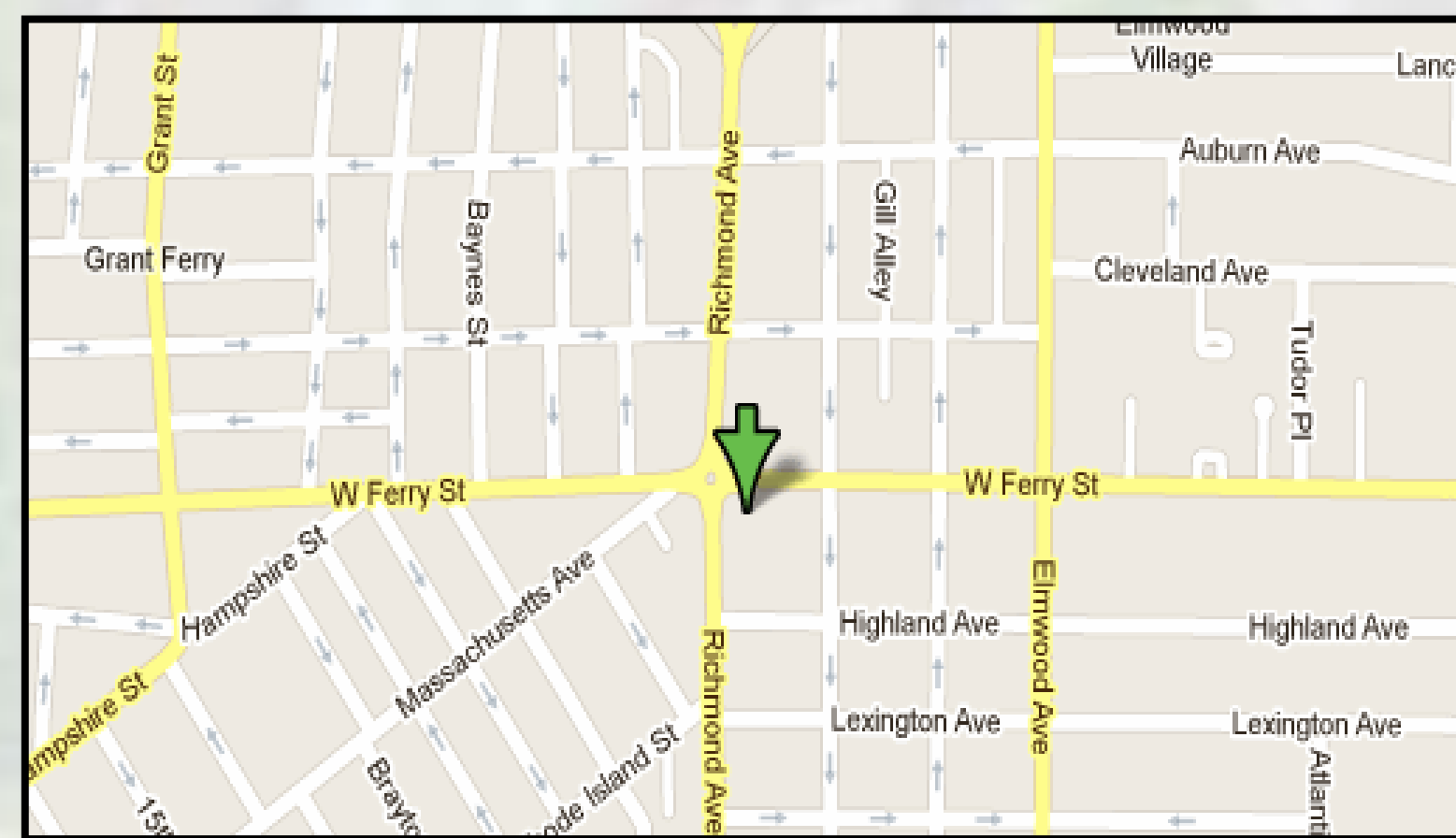
UNITY Is the harmony created between individuals which enlightens us to work together for a better tomorrow. With the combination or arrangement of parts into a whole, it is the state or quality of being one, Unity is an ordering of all elements in a work of art or literature so that each contributes to a unified aesthetic effect.

INSPIRATIONAL IMAGES

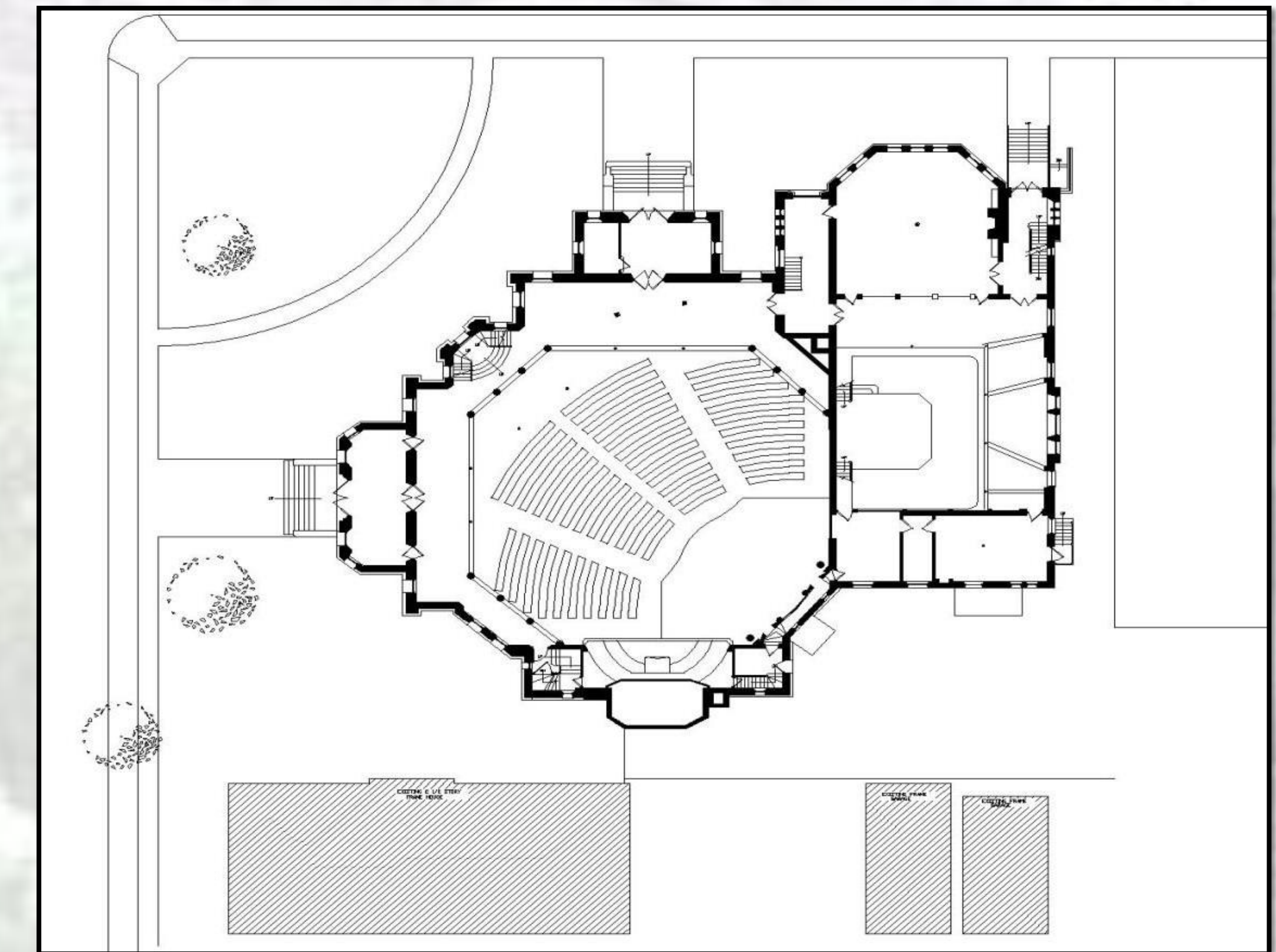


SITE

467 RICHMOND AVENUE
BUFFALO, NY
LOT SIZE: 66x179
BUILDING SIZE: 36,000sq.ft.

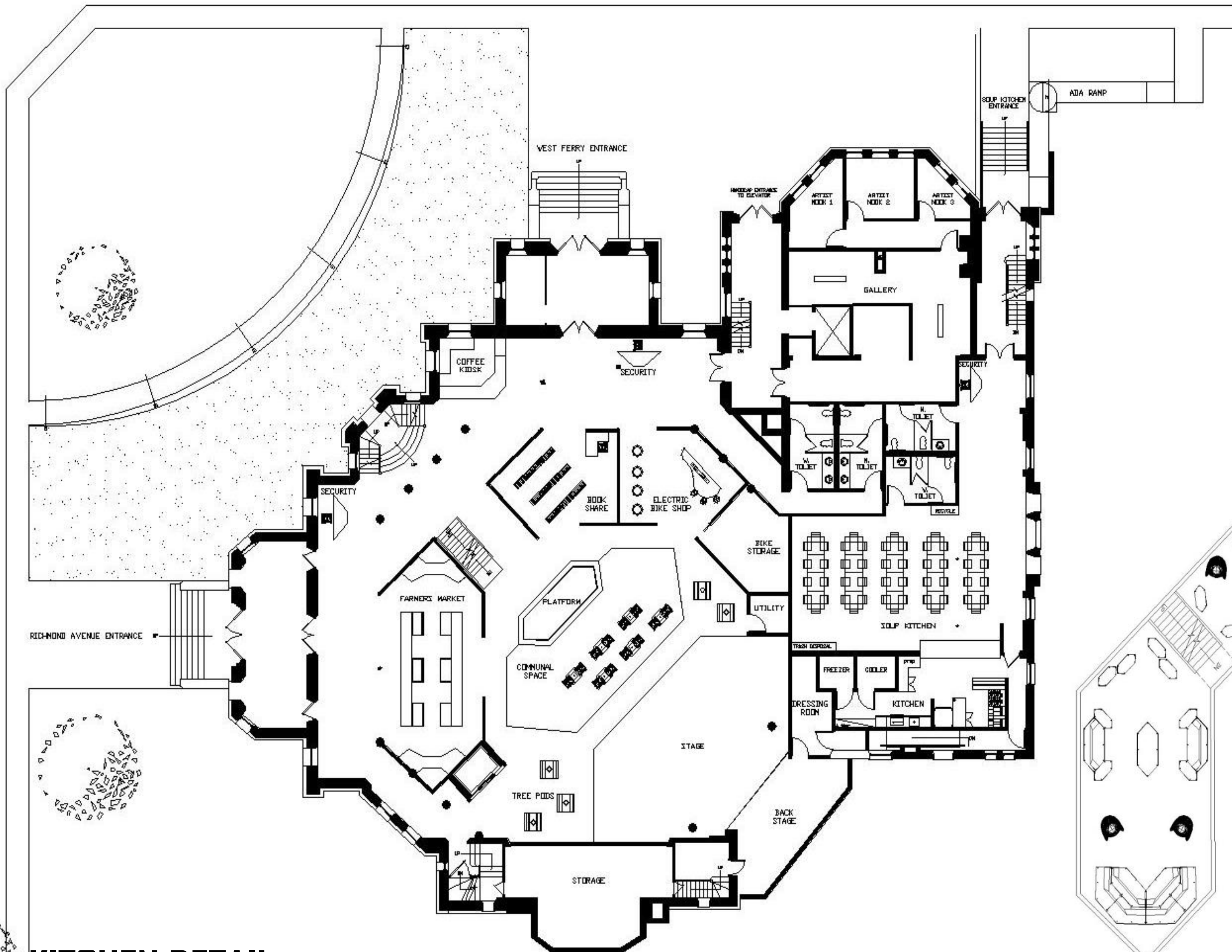


VIEW WEST ENTRANCE



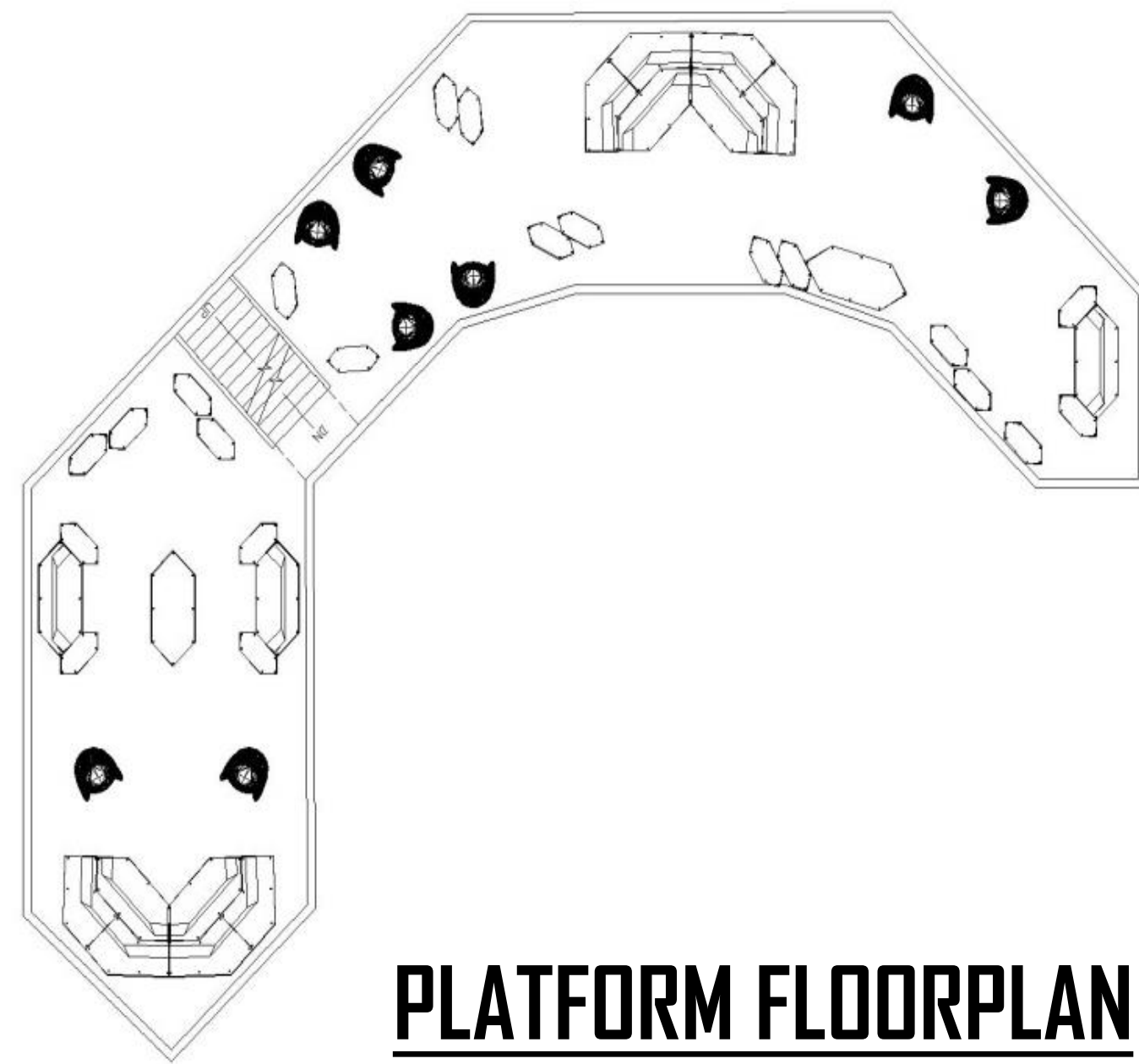
ORIGINAL FLOOR PLAN

FLOOR PLAN



PROGRAM

- FARMERS MARKET
- BOOK SHARE
- ELECTRIC BIKE SHOP
- COMMUNAL SPACES
- COMMUNAL PLATFORM
- COFFEE KIOSK
- TREE PODS
- STAGE
- ART GALLERY
- ARTISTS NOOKS
- SOUP KITCHEN



PLATFORM FLOORPLAN

KITCHEN DETAIL



Rain or shine, local farmers and artisans sell their goods back to their community with an idyllic synergy. The concept underlying farmers markets, is to get eaters in touch with those who produce their food/goods



FARMERS MARKET

WEST VIEW COMMUNAL SPACE



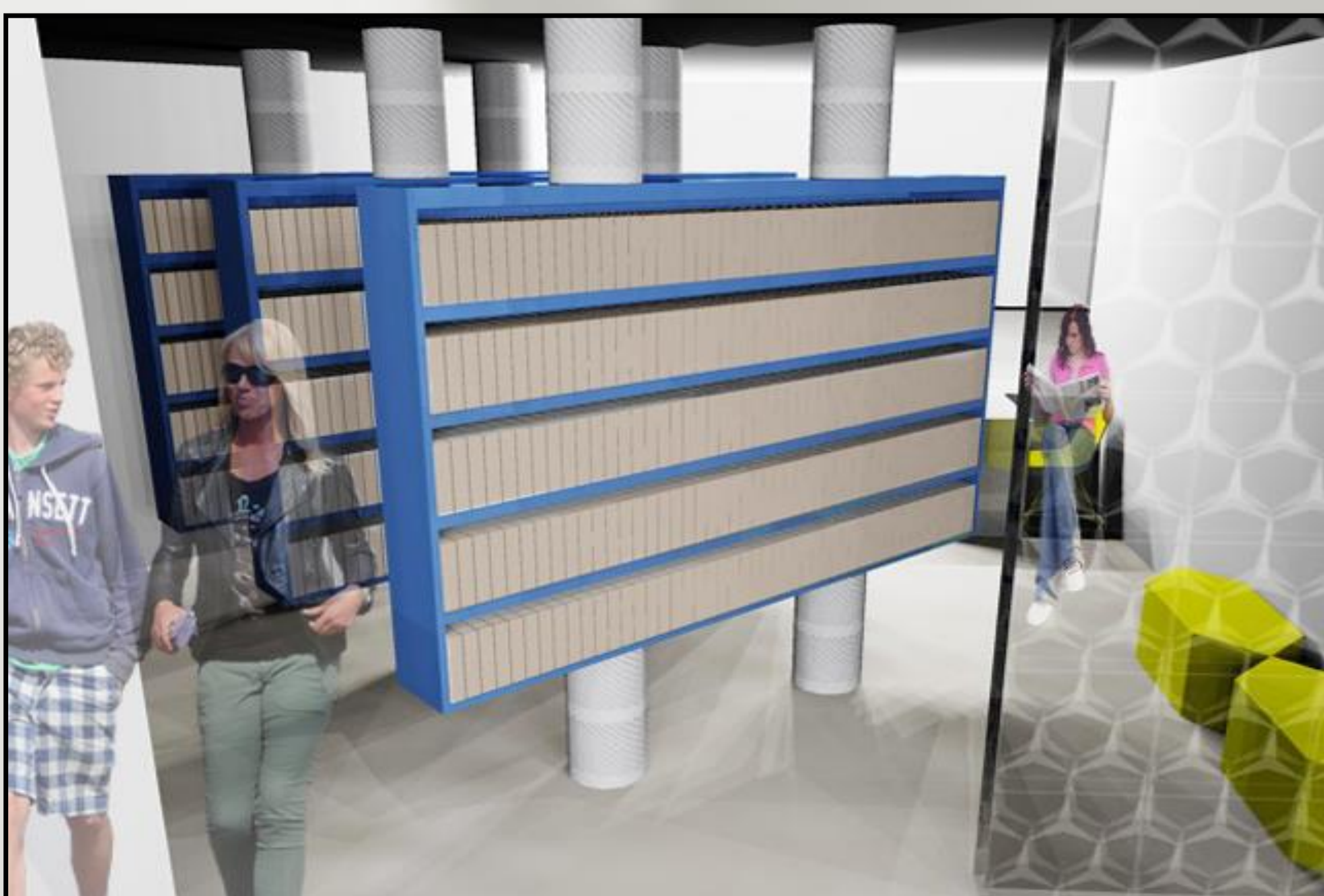
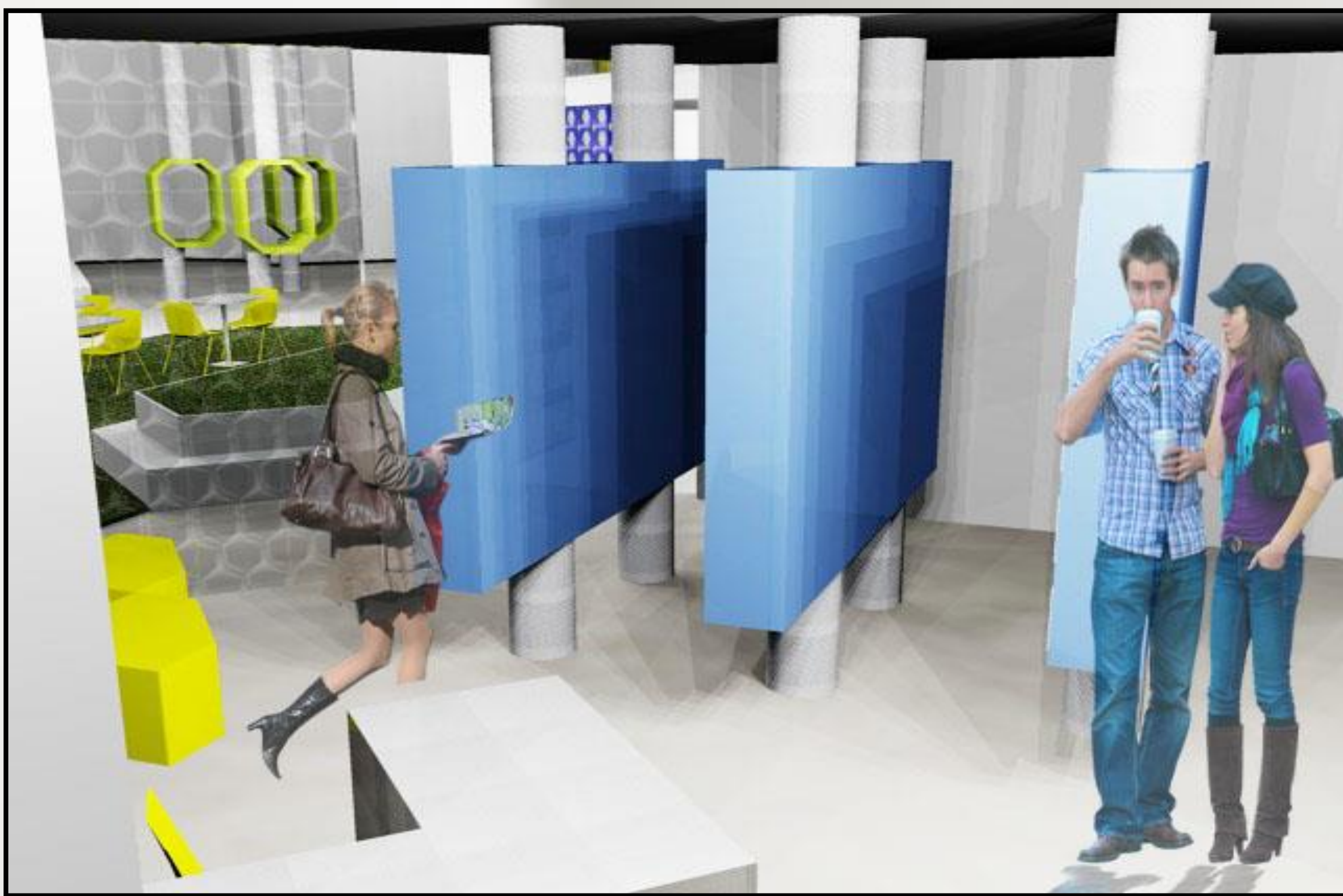
Community centers are at the heart of many neighborhoods, towns and cities. They offer a way for local townspeople to spend time together while learning or participating in a hobby.

EAST VIEW COMMUNAL SPACE



Community centers are important because they provide residents with a better quality of life, increase property values, attract tourists, and bring the community together.

BOOK SHARE



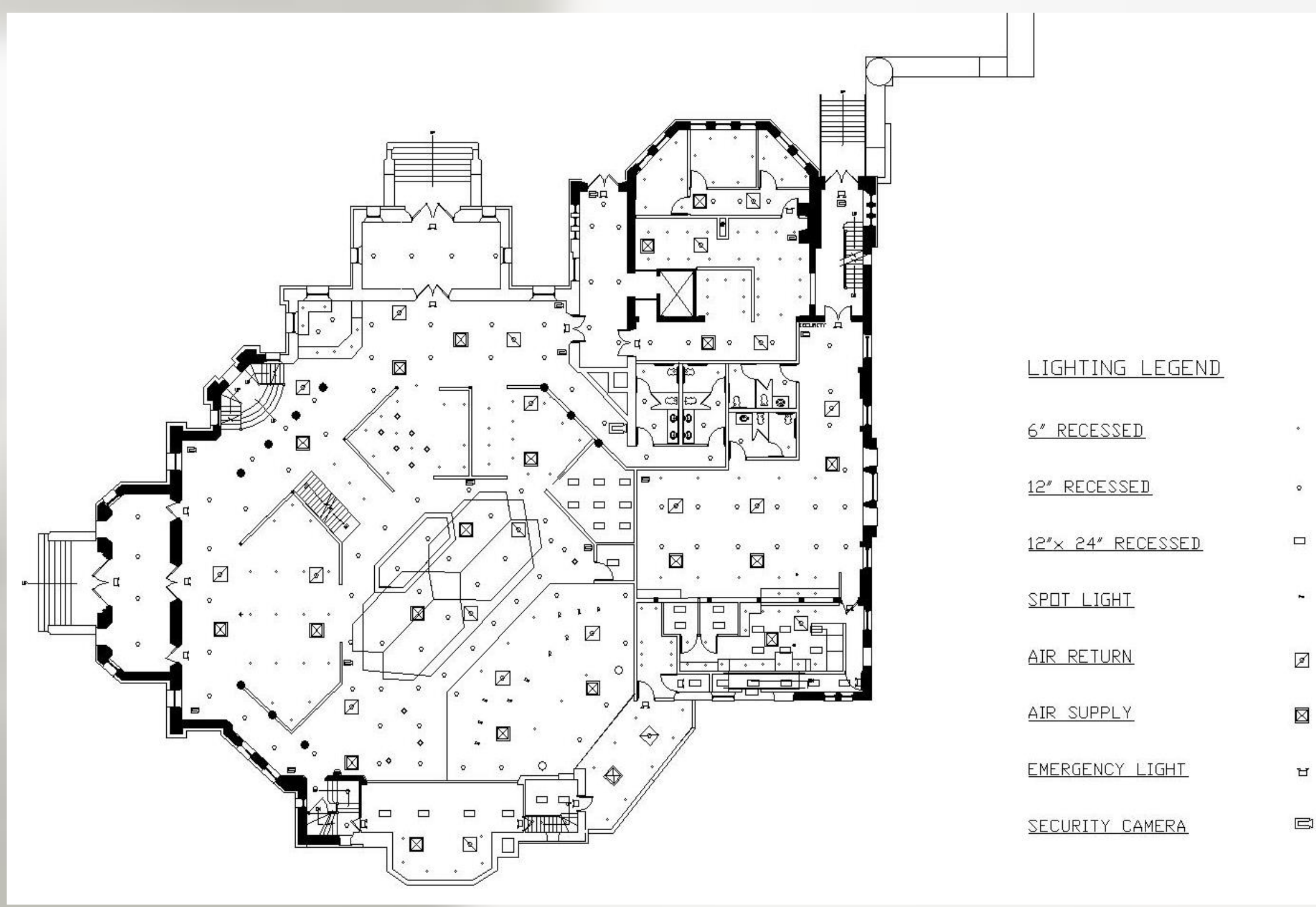
The Book Share Program will allow the community to share their beloved books and exchange for a new one they haven't read. Books release stress, provide greater tranquility, improves your analytical thinking, increases your vocabulary, improves your memory and helps prioritize goals.

It costs just \$0.05 in electricity to charge the battery for a 20-30 mile ride. Law regulates a top speed of 20mph for a 170lb. individual and it is not considered a motor vehicle, so no license is needed. With an electric bike, the body is still able to exercise, but much of the strain is removed by the assistance from the electric motor.



ELECTRIC BIKE SHOP

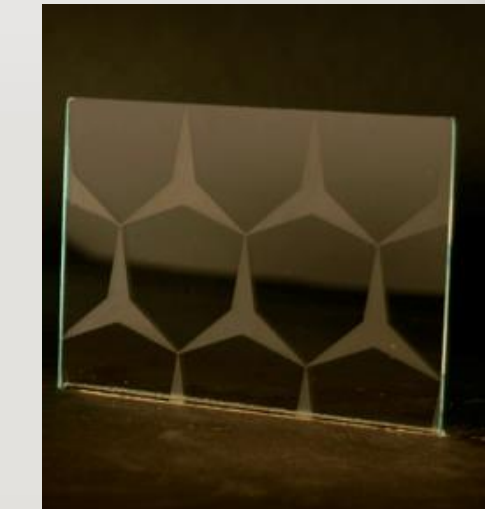
REFLECTED CEILING PLAN



MDC WALL COVERING AND COLUMN WRAPPING



HONEYCOMB LIVING GLASS WALL



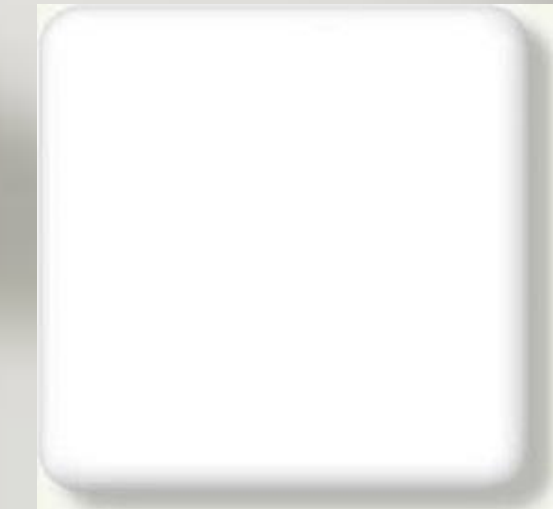
GREEN HIGH PRESSURE LAMINATE FOR "TREE PODS"



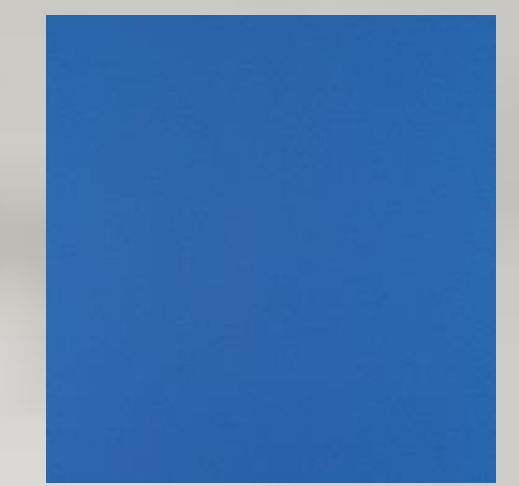
MAHARAM ALLOY COMMERCIAL GRADE UPHOLSTERY IN IN CHAMOMILE FOR MODULAR SEATING



CORIAN SOLID SURFACE



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SYNLAWN FLOOR FOR COMMUNAL AREAS

