



# PRICE HILL BRANCH

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
of Cincinnati and Hamilton County





## **Agenda**

- **Review and Feedback - Community Engagement Process**
- **Site Analysis**
- **Site and Addition Opportunities**
- **New Engagement – Outdoor Amenities and Key Elements**

**Welcome**



## Community Engagement Process

### Phase 1: Listening and Sharing Information

*September 27, 2018 / November 28, 2018*

- Public Library Master Planning Update
- Price Hill Branch – Today and Tomorrow
- Vision and Goals

### Phase 2: What We Heard & Exploration (tonight!)

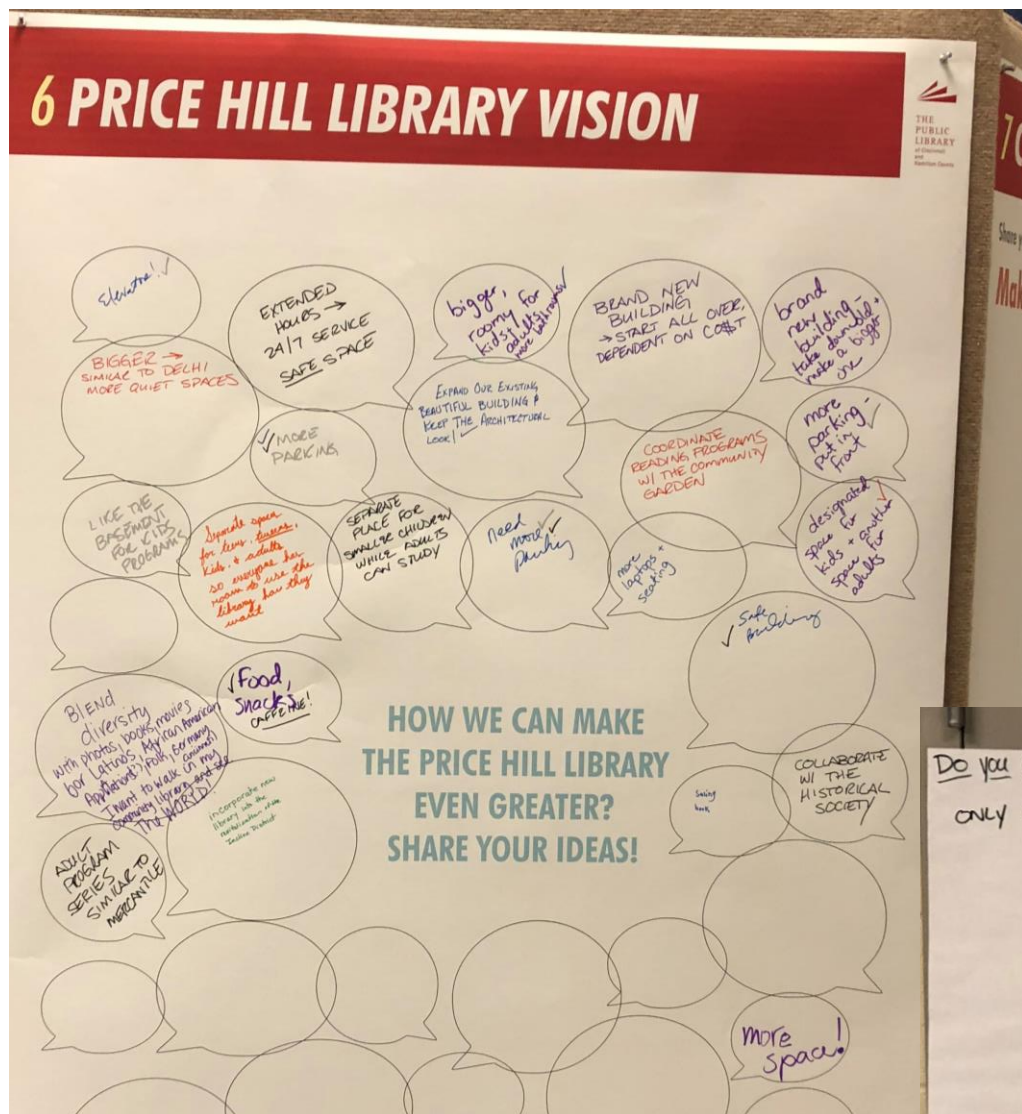
- Vision / Goals / Community Ideas
- Site Analysis
- Initial Strategies
- Engagement Opportunity

### Phase 3: Next Steps – More to Come!

- Focus Groups – Accessibility / Local Community Groups
- Sharing Project Design and Development
- Establish Community Liaison Team



## Community Engagement



HOW WILL WE KNOW WE GOT IT RIGHT?!?

- INCLUDE THE SCHOOLS - LSDMC
- TEEN SPACE / MAKER SPACE
- SIGNAGE IN SPANISH
- CHILDREN
- SAFETY : VULNERABILITY
  - PROVIDE SAFE SPACE
- BULLYING ISSUE
- PROVIDE A VOICE

## PRICE HILL COMMUNITY VALUES:

- QUIET SPACES
- "THIRD SPACE" <sup>COMMUNITY AFTER SCHOOL</sup>
- PROGRAMMING <sup>- KIDS  
- TEENS  
- ADULTS</sup>
- ✓✓ ARCHITECTURAL PRESERVATION <sup>- WINDOWS  
- WOODWORK  
- SHELVES</sup>
- RENOVATE, BUT KEEP BEAUTIFUL FEATURES
- ADA <sup>- ELEVATORS  
- BATHROOMS  
- CHANGING TABLES</sup>
- PEAK → MOST IMPORTANT BUILDING IN P-HILL  
→ SYMBOLIC QUALITY <sup>- VALUE EDUCATION</sup>
- INCREASE SQ. FOOTAGE
- IMPORTANCE OF CARNEGIE (SEE WARSAW, IN) BUILDING
- DURABILITY / ENDURING

Do you use more than 1 LIBRARY?

only 1: 1 = ①  
2: 1111 = ⑥  
3: 111111 = ⑧  
4: 111111 = ⑥

## WHY I ❤️ THE LIBRARY:

- ✓ ARCHITECTURE OF OLD BUILDINGS
- ✓ STAFF!!!!
- ✓ COMFORTABLE SPACE - FOND MEMORIES
  - KIDS PROGRAMS
  - WELCOMING & ENGAGING SPACE
  - WALKABLE
  - CLOSENESS OF ATMOSPHERE
- ✓ ORDERING HOODS : SEARCH OHIO
  - DOWNLOADABLE BOOKS
  - BOOKS
  - COMMUNITY SPACE
    - OPEN : COLLABORATION

## What We Heard





## What we heard - Vision

- Love the architecture of the existing building
- **Need more parking**
- Walkable location
- ADA Accessible
- **Safe space for all**
- Additional programing for kids and adults
- More computer access
- Preserve the architecture
- **Have both quiet & active spaces**
- Signage in Spanish
- Provide food/snacks
- Include the local schools
- Meeting Rooms
- Extended hours
- Needs more space
- Blend diversity – books, movies
- **Space for adults, teens, kids**
- Most important building in Price Hill
- Fond memories here
- **Renovate but keep the beautiful features**
- Incorporate quiet spaces
- Durability/enduring
- **Welcoming**

**What We Heard**



## 2 THE LIBRARY TODAY

### WHAT LIBRARIES DO YOU USE AND WHY?



### I USE PRICE HILL BECAUSE...

- CONVENIENT - I WALK TO IT
- MUSIC ON COMPUTERS
- GAMES
- READ TO ST. LORENZO - it's outside library
- READ NEWSPAPER
- Big & you can help other people
- MY NEIGHBORHOOD BRANCH - LOCATION
- PICK UP HOLDS + RENEW
- TAKE YOUR KIDS
- CLOSE PROXIMITY - WALK FROM HOME
- LIKE THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE BUILDING (CARRIAGE)
- LOBBY COMES HERE FOR 90 YRS.
- Drop books off
- LIVE IN NEIGHBORHOOD - CONVENIENCE
- PL & DIO BOOKS
- ✓ GIVE THEM MY PROGRAMS - MATHS/TUTOR

### I USE OTHER LIBRARIES BECAUSE...

- MAIN LIBRARY IS LARGER, MORE SELECTION, BOUTIQUE FACILITY
- SAME THINGS BETTER VARIETY (COMPUTERS)
- CLOSE TO HOUSE
- Like to walk to library
- Big lots of computers/min
- CLOSE TO MY WORK PLACE
- QUIET (DO OTHER THINGS)
- LARGE PERIODICAL COLLECTION
- MAIN - ONLINE DATABASES + EMAIL ARTICLES TO ME WITHIN AN HOUR
- DELHI IS CLEVER
- WEST END HAS ANTIQUE BOOKS
- COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR SEN - BY ARTS
- RECENT BOOKS FOR KIDS
- CLIFTON - MET & SPACE
- MORE SELECTION OF BOOKS / BROADEN COLLECTION

## 3 MAKING OUR LIBRARIES BETTER

### WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT PLCH LIBRARIES?

- CONVERSATIONS w/ FRIENDS + STAFF
- BOOKS
- COMPANY
- FRIENDLY STAFF
- READ BOOKS
- THAT IT'S BIG
- HELP OTHERS
- QUIET
- COMPUTERS
- HOURS - CONVENIENT
- HELPFUL STAFF
- PICK UP HOLDS

### HOW CAN WE MAKE THEM BETTER?

- 3 new libraries built in the last three years - St. Bernard, Redding, Clifton
- elevator
- bigger bathrooms - more stalls
- snack machines
- more books
- automatic doors
- art + science exhibits
- projectors
- Leaps
- Jenga
- Pointing of the compass
- ELATOR in it - make handicapped ACCESS
- LISTEN TO MUSIC
- PRICE HILL NEEDS A MEET ROOM + ESOL CLASSES
- TUTORING + HOMEWORK HELP
- ADULT LITERACY
- MORE BOOKS
- EXTENDED HOURS
- PRESERVE ARCHITECTURE
- outdoor space - nice view from space
- EXTENDED TO 24 HOURS / DAY SERVICE
- STUDY CARDS + CONFERENCE ROOMS
- COFFEE BAR
- More video games
- moves
- more computers
- more space

### THE NEED

- 3 locations not all handicap accessible
- 2 locations only partially handicap accessible

Goals

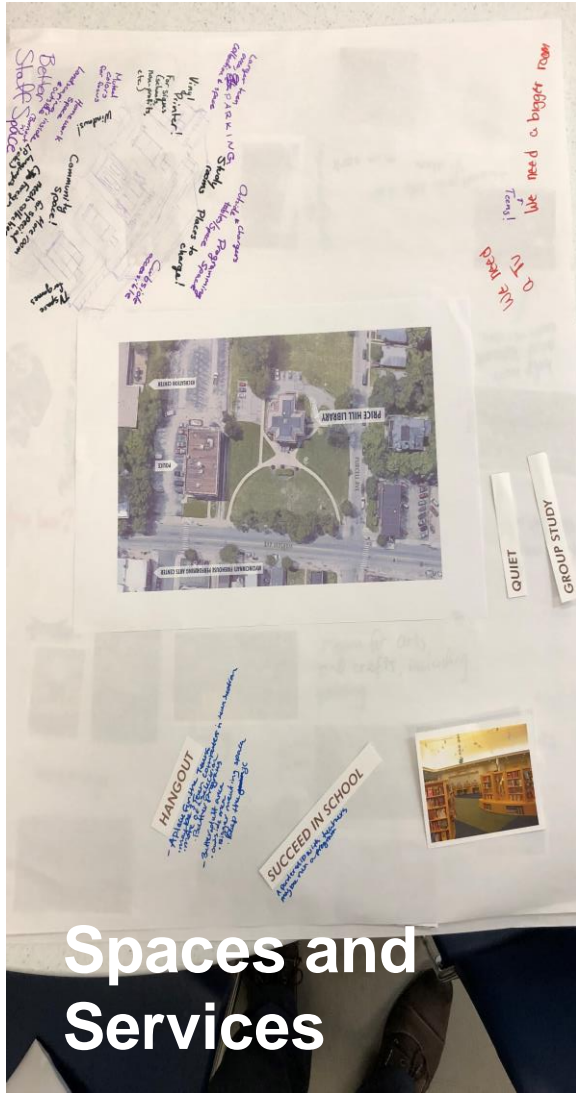
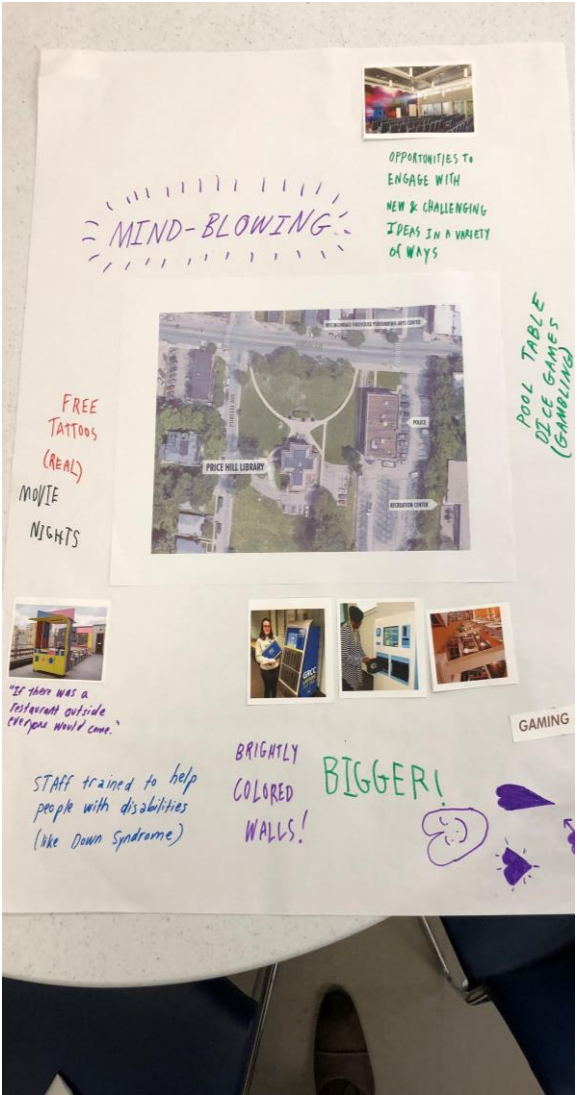
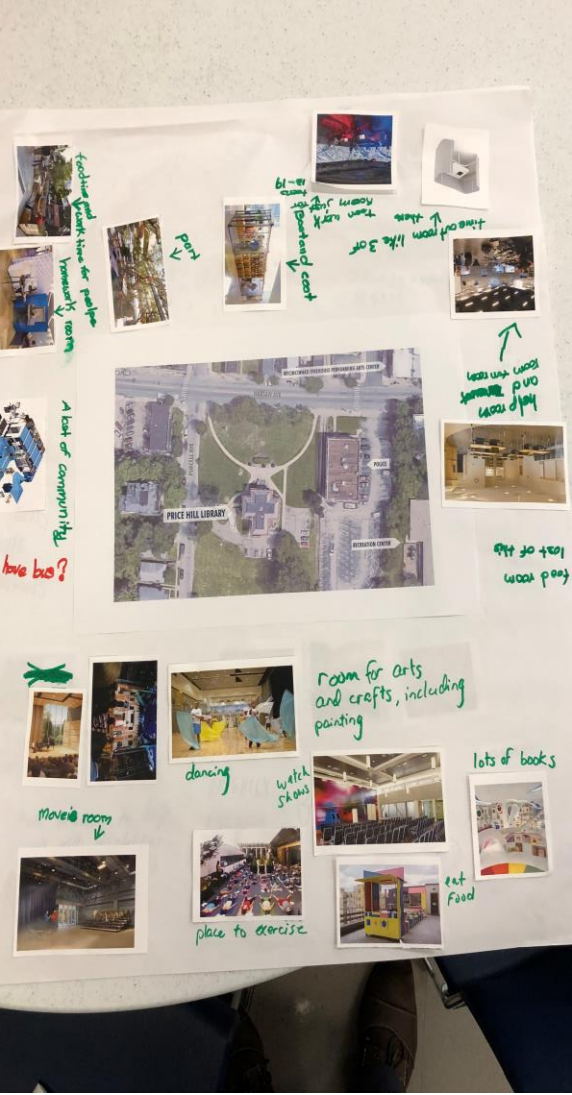


## Project Goals - *draft*

1. The Price Hill Library will be renovated and expanded
2. Honor the history and architecture
3. Collaborate with other local programs and institutions
4. Create a safe, welcoming space for all
5. Meet future community needs
6. Principles of Facility Master Plan:
  - Maximize access
  - Transparency
  - Customer focus
  - Operational sustainability
  - Industry-leading excellence
  - Diversity and inclusion

**Goals**





Spaces and Services





## Community Ideas - Spaces & Services

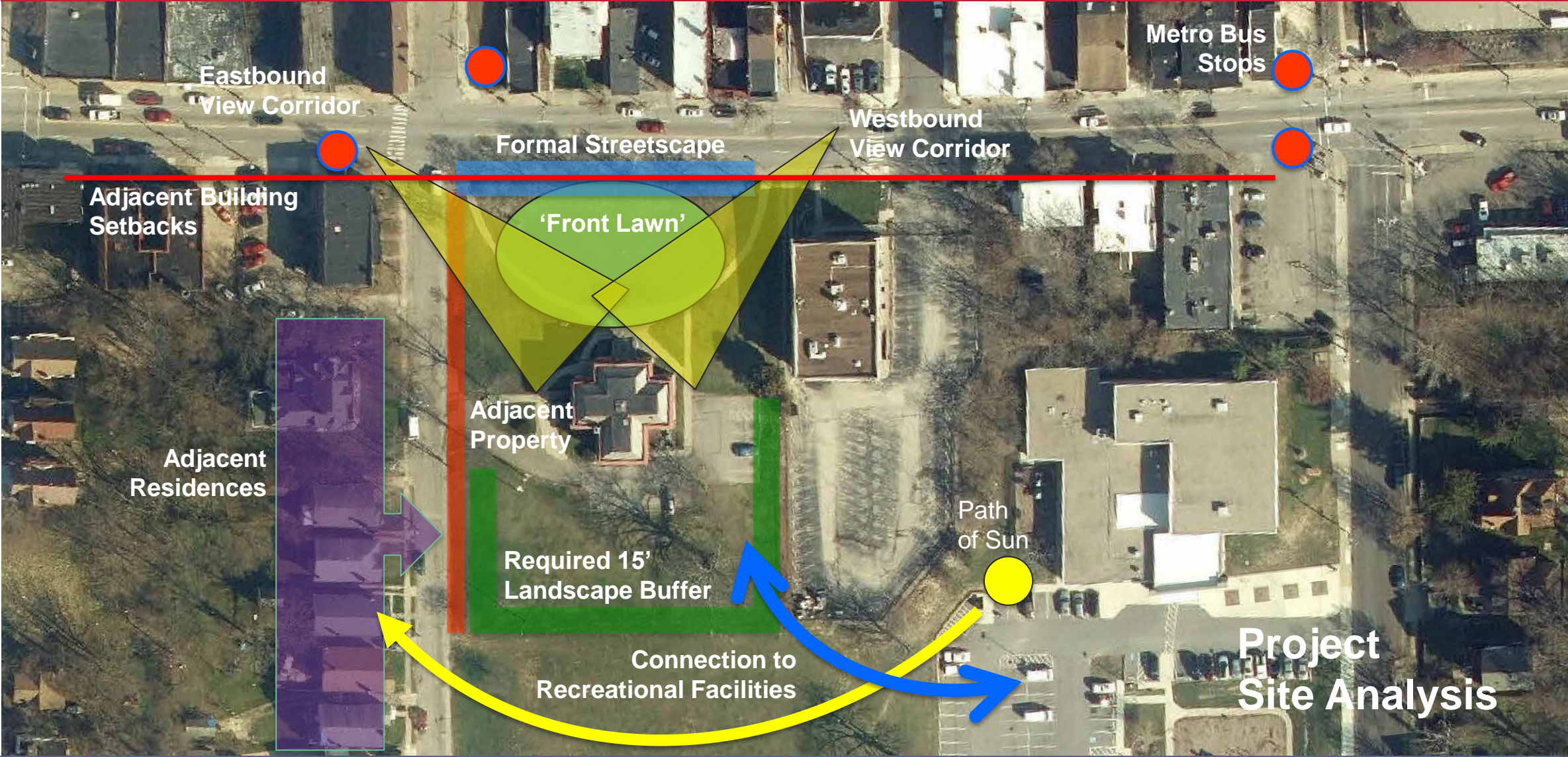
- You can get food, beverages, eat
- You can read quietly
- There's room for arts & crafts
- Movies, shows, or performances can be seen
- Homework can be done
- You can hang up your coat
- Games & video games can be played
- There are bright colors on the walls
- The community can gather
- I can charge my phone
- I can study
- There are muted colors
- There is better staff space
- There is a an adult area
- A partnership/program with teachers can be held
- Maker Space
- People can sit outside
- There is more room to service special needs and non-English speakers
- The building can be accessed curbside
- Yoga & exercise programs can be held
- Children spaces are available
- Legos

**Spaces and  
Services**













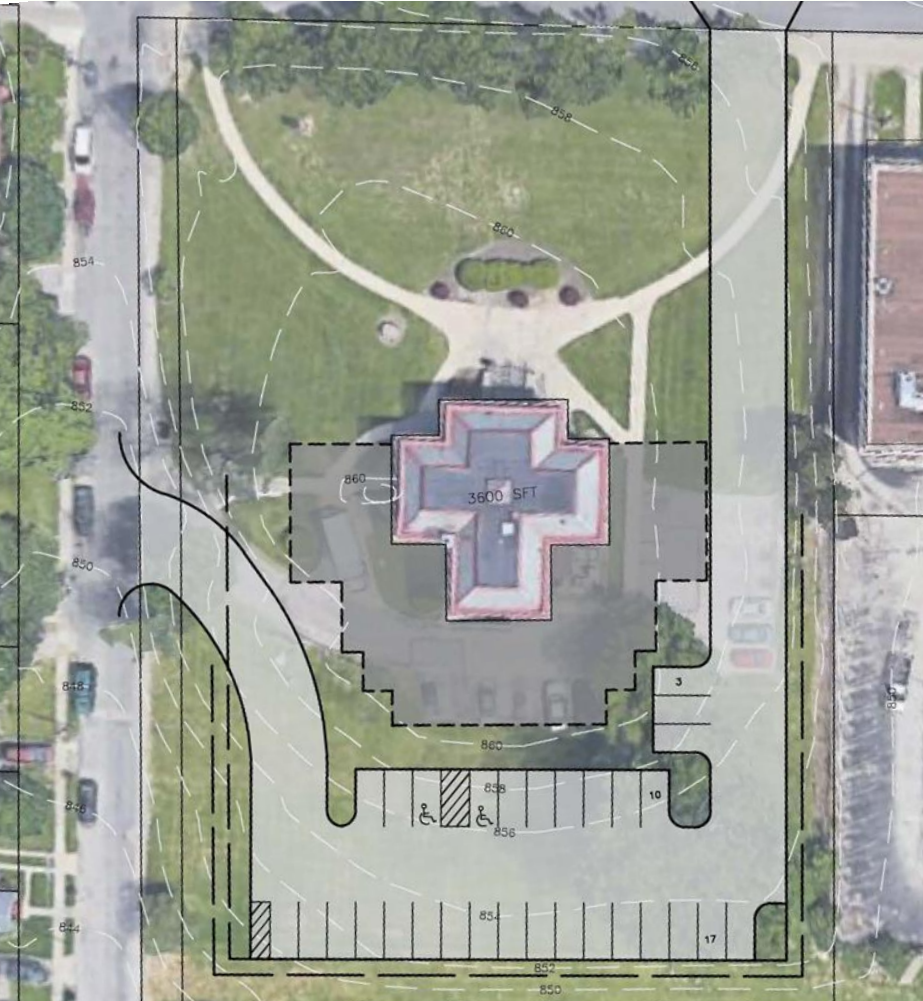








Outdoor Amenities – What do you Suggest?



Key Elements – What's Important to You?

Interior



Exterior

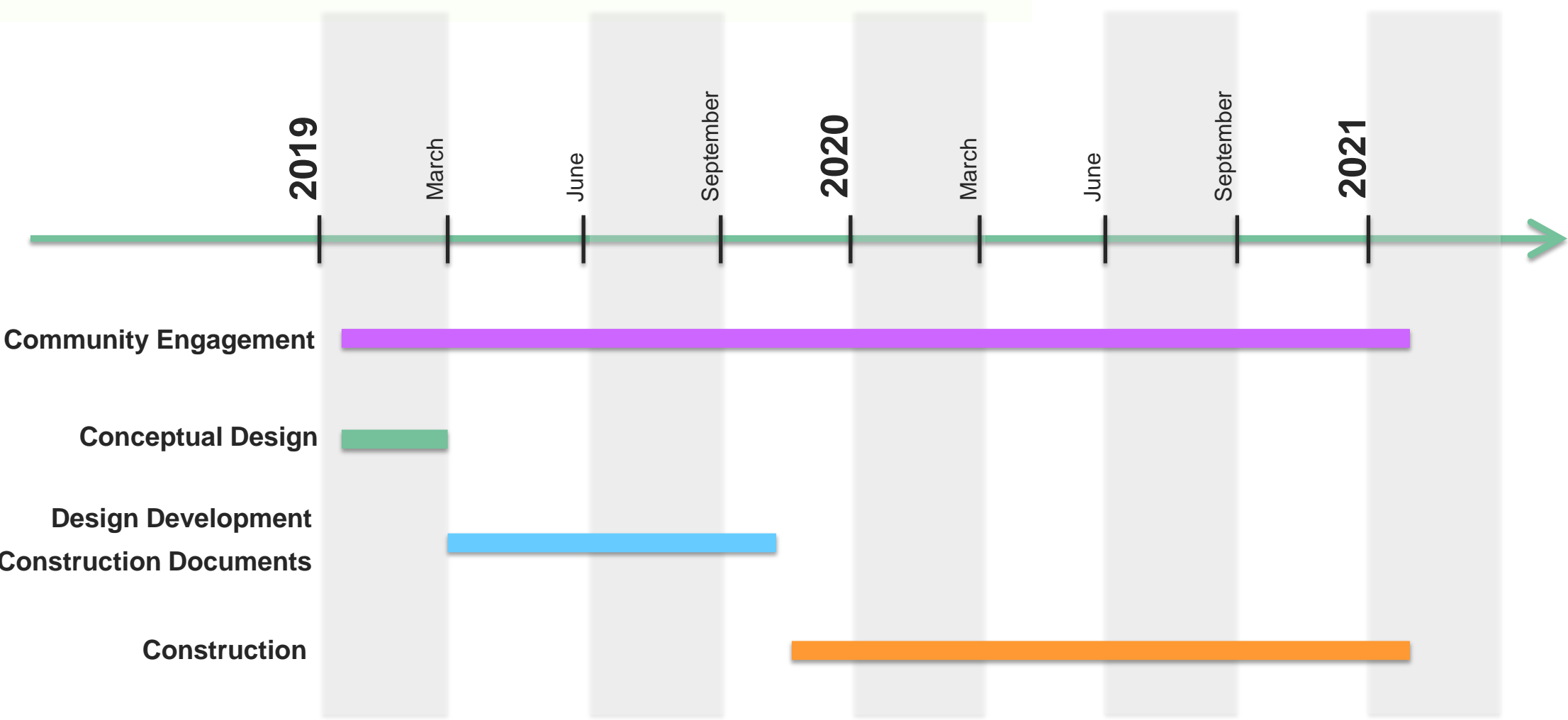


Engagement Opportunity





Project Schedule



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