

Fields Corner Branch Library

Public Meeting #2

April 8, 2018



**BOSTON
PUBLIC
LIBRARY**

Martin J. Walsh, Mayor
Boston Public Library
City of Boston, Public Facilities Department
Oudens Ello Architecture / RODE Architects

Agenda

1. Introduction and Team

2. Schedule and Process

3. What We Heard

4. Proposed Library Program

a. Library Improvements

b. Proposed Program Summary

c. Review of Proposed Program Spaces

5. Site Analysis and Building Massing

6. Next steps

7. Comments

8. Feedback Contact

History of Project

- Branch opened in 1969
- Programming Study added to the fiscal year 2017 City Capital Budget
- Programming Study given cash flow to start in fiscal year 2018
- Notice to proceed to Architect on October 25, 2018

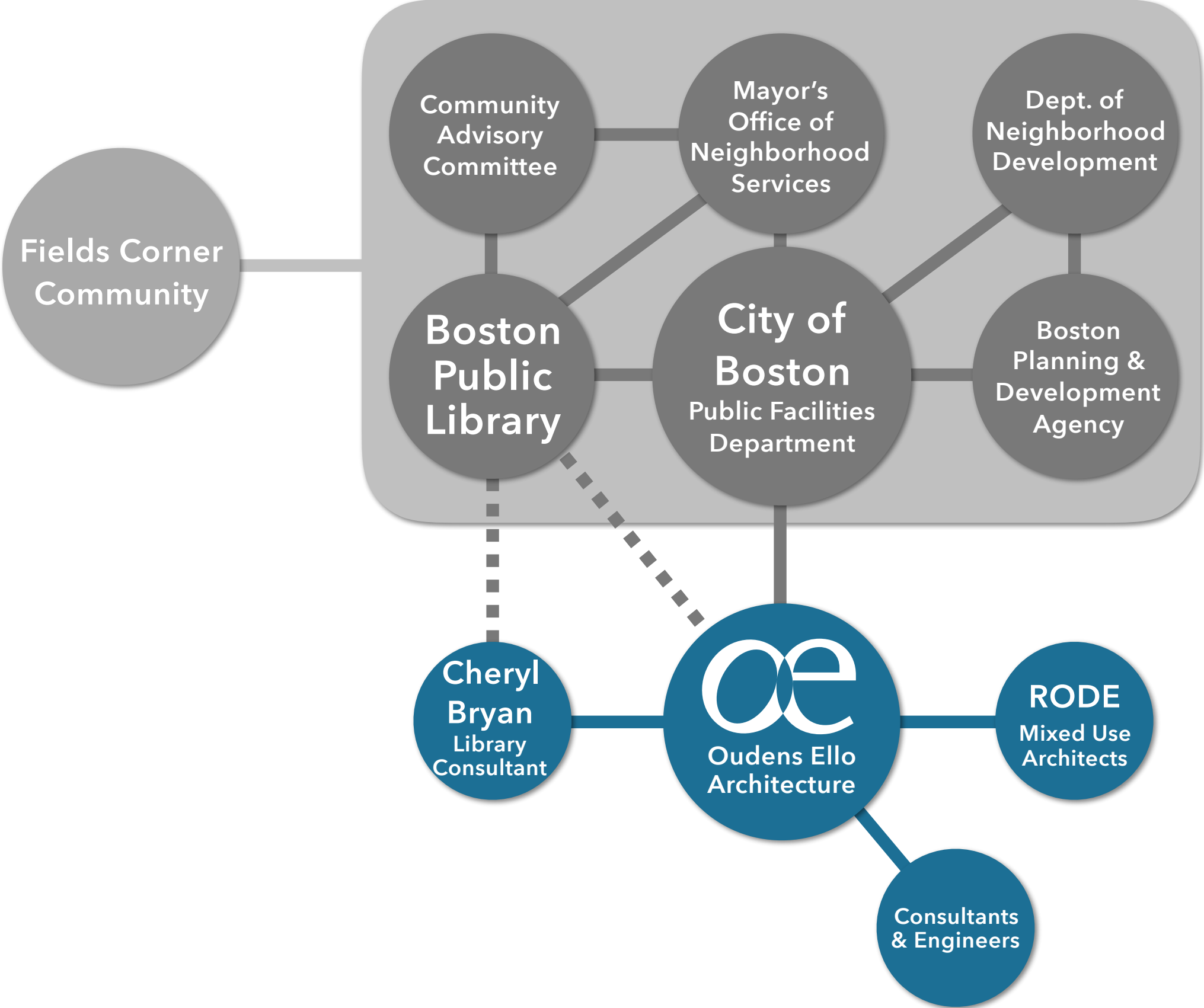
Capital Project Process

- Programming Study c. 12 months (followed by period of review c. 12 months)
- Design c. 12 months (after possible gap for review)
- Bidding & Construction 14-24 months

Community Process

- 3-4 Public meetings for programming study
- 3-4 Public meetings for design
- Named CAC appointed via ONS, approximately 10 members
- CAC members representative the diversity of the community
- CAC members agree to attend all the public meetings to ensure attendance by the community and provide continuity between the meetings
- For all recent branches projects: JP, Adams, Roslindale, Dudley – CAC did not meet separately from the published community meetings
- CAC Meetings are organized and run by the Architecture Firm, and minutes are supplied to BPL & PFD, then published on bpl.org

Project Team



City and Consultant Team

MAYOR'S OFFICE:

PATRICK BROPHY, *CHIEF OF OPERATIONS*

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PAUL DONNELLY, *ASSISTANT DIRECTOR*

MAUREEN ANDERSON, *SENIOR PROJECT MANAGER*

DEPARTMENT OF NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT:

MARGUERITE CRAMER, *ADVISOR*

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY:

DAVID LEONARD, *PRESIDENT*

EAMON SHELTON, *DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS*

PRISCILLA FOLEY, *DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES*

LAURA IRMSCHER, *CHIEF OF COLLECTIONS*

ALISON FORD, *MAJOR PROJECTS PROGRAM MANAGER*

MICHAEL COLFORD, *DIRECTOR OF LIBRARY SERVICES*

LISSA SCHWAB, *MAJOR PROJECTS COORDINATOR*

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES:

KHOA PHAM, *DORCHESTER LIAISON*

OFFICE OF BUDGET MANAGEMENT:

ERA KAPLAN, *MANAGEMENT ANALYST*

LOUDENS ELLO ARCHITECTURE

MATTHEW OUDENS, *PRINCIPAL*

CONRAD ELLO, *PRINCIPAL*

CHRIS GENTER, *SENIOR ASSOCIATE*

RODE ARCHITECTS, MIXED USE

ERIC ROBINSON, *PRINCIPAL*

LIBRARY CONSULTANT:

CHERYL BRYAN

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER:

RSE ASSOCIATES

MEP/FP ENGINEER:

WSP

CIVIL ENGINEER:

NITSCH ENGINEERING

LANDSCAPE:

G2 COLLABORATIVE

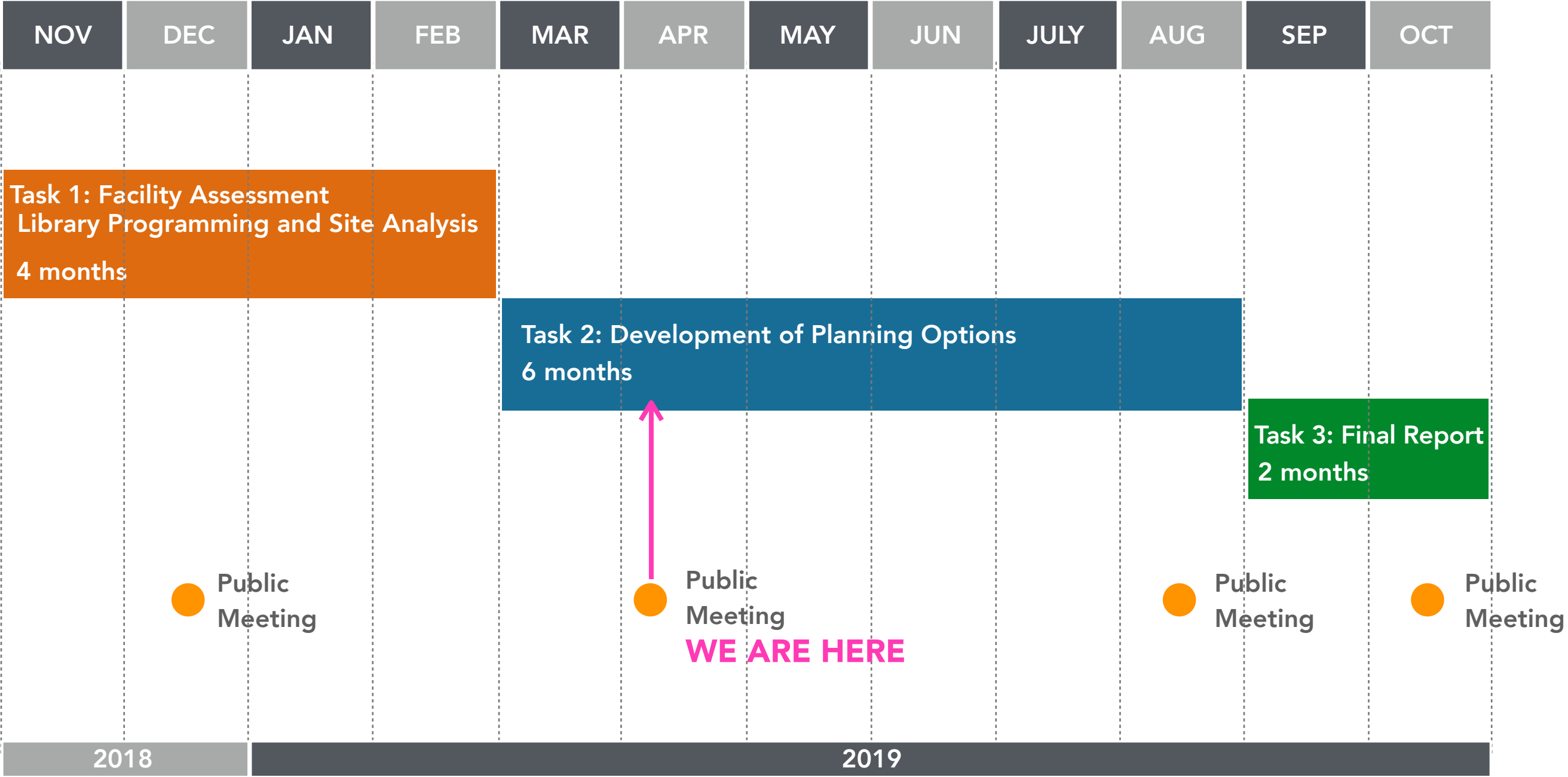
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The Process



Program Study Schedule



What We've Been Up To

- Current library building **existing facility conditions assessment**
- Working with Library Consultant and BPL Staff to develop **Library Building Program**
- Study of **library program adjacencies** and **program distribution** over two levels
- **Analysis of existing site** and its ability to accommodate a larger library facility
- **Urban analysis** of neighborhood by mixed-use consultant to inform building massing and mixed-use opportunities
- Initial **massing studies** for a stand-alone library building and a mixed-use facility

What We Heard



Community Feedback

Bigger library with a second floor to accommodate additional programs

More and better meeting space: public meeting room and private tutoring and conference space

Explore opportunities for **indoor-outdoor connections**

Improved bathrooms, including a dedicated family restroom

Improved children and **youth spaces**

Functional through-wall **book drop**

More and better technology, with more outlets for charging

Diversify collection to include special collections that represent immigrant communities (Vietnamese, Cape Verdean, Bengali, Somali...)

Upgraded windows

Library Draft Program



Program Goals

Improved Entry

Daylighting and Improved Lighting

Improved Visibility and Sight-lines

Flexibility

Sustainability

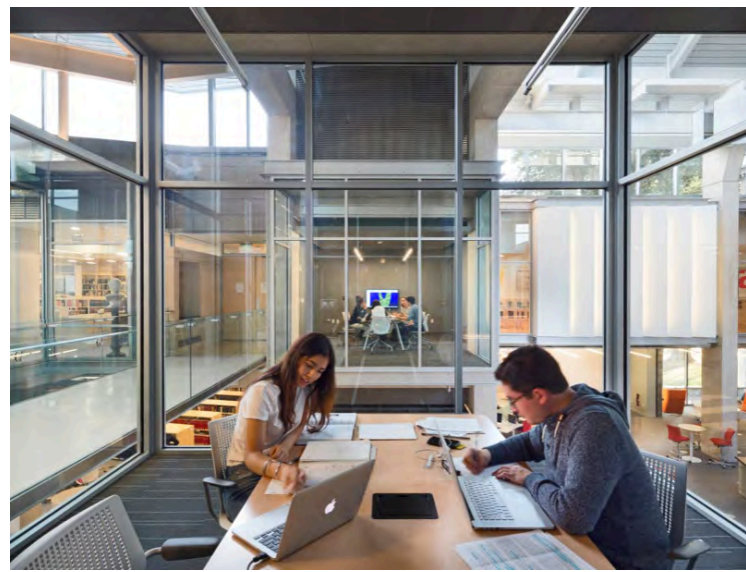
Accessibility

Enhanced Multimedia

Improved Technology Access

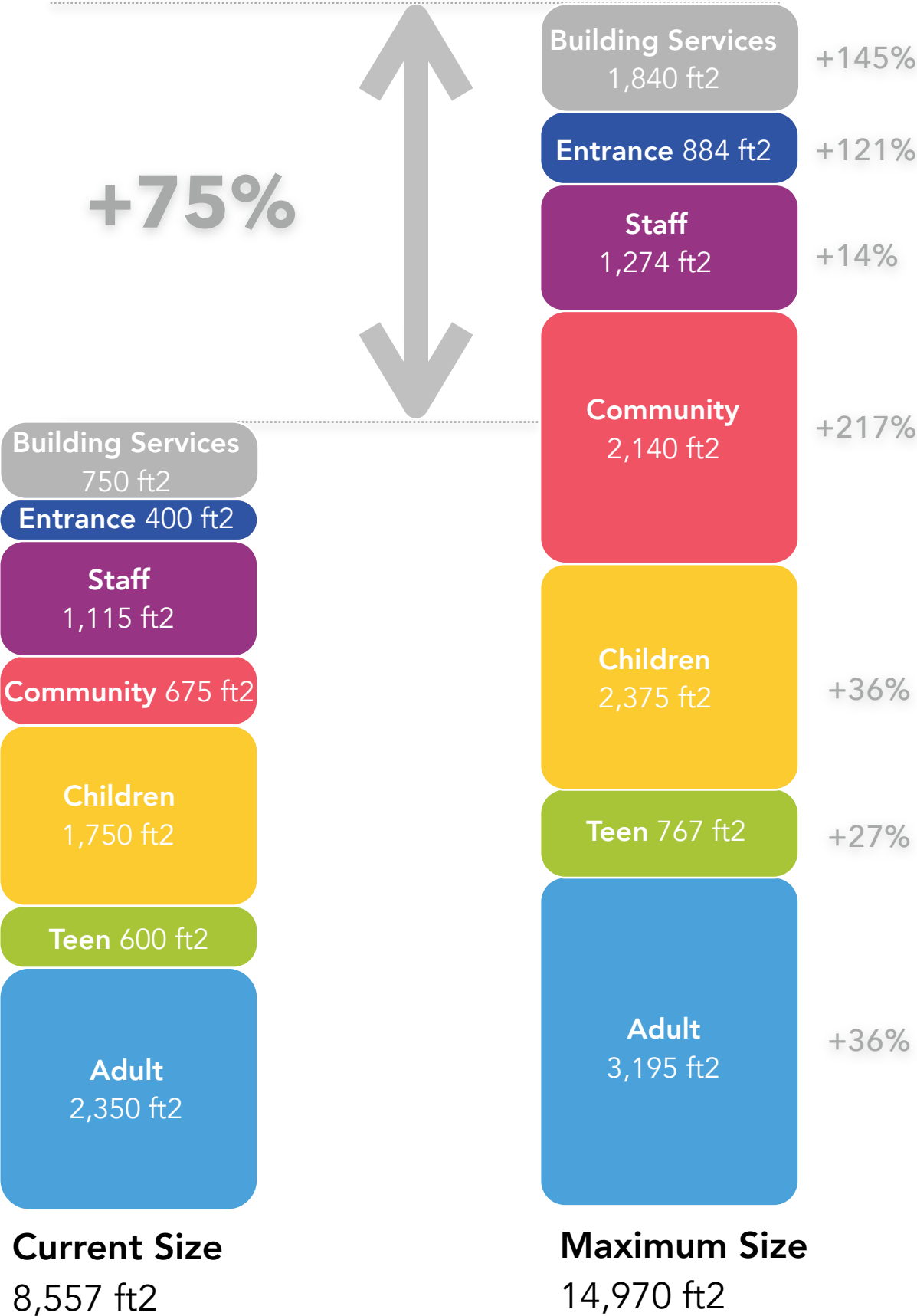
Opportunities for Rotating Art Display

More Seating

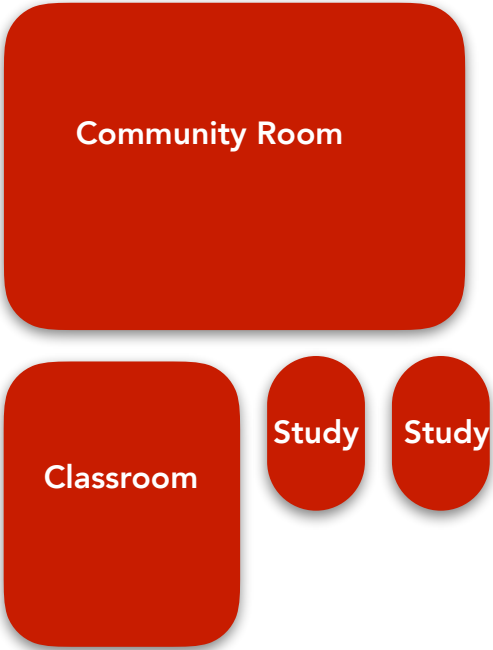


Program Range

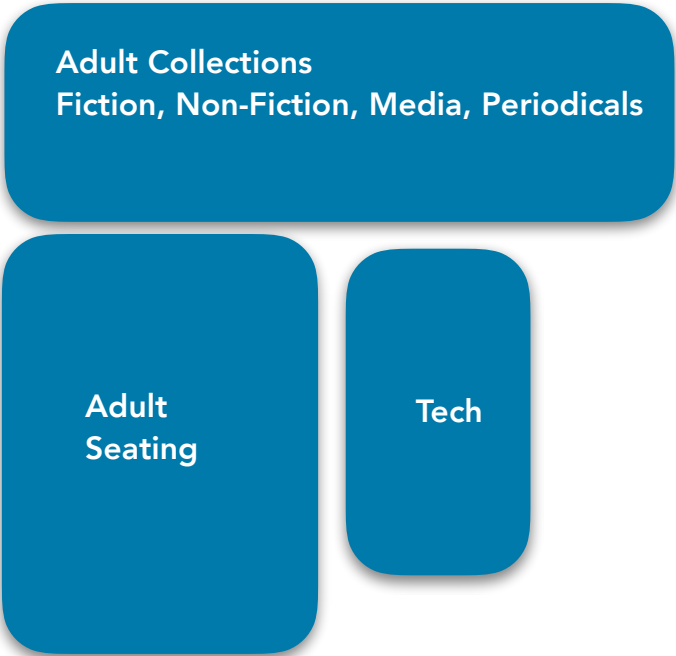
The final size will fall between 8,557 - 14,970 ft2



Program Summary



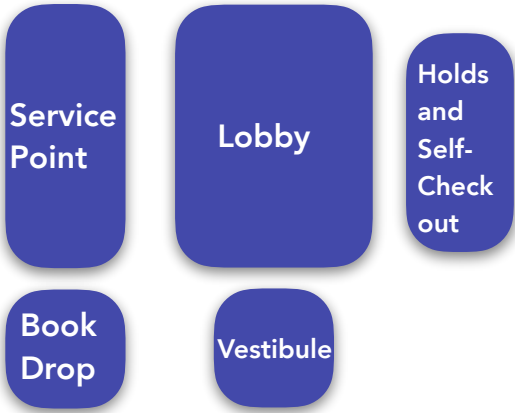
Community Program
2,140 ft² (17%)



Adult
3,195 ft² (26%)



Children
2,375 ft² (19%)



Entry
1,309 ft² (10%)



Staff
849 ft² (7%)

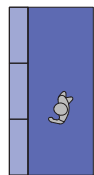


Teen
767 ft² (6%)

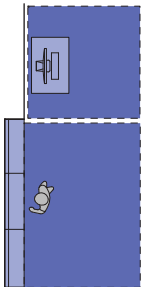


Service
1,840 ft² (15%)

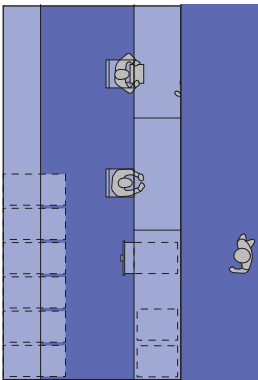
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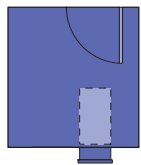
**Friends Book
Sale Shelves**
40 ft²



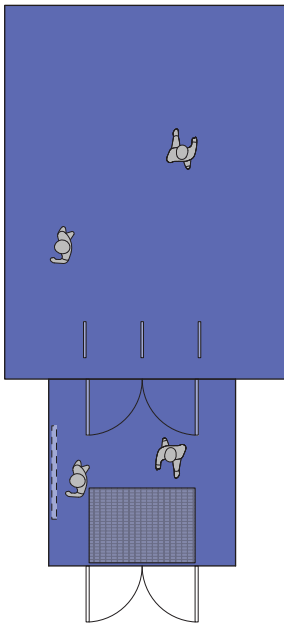
**Self Checkout
and Reserves**
150 ft²



**Service
Point**
325 ft²



**Book
Drop**
60 ft²

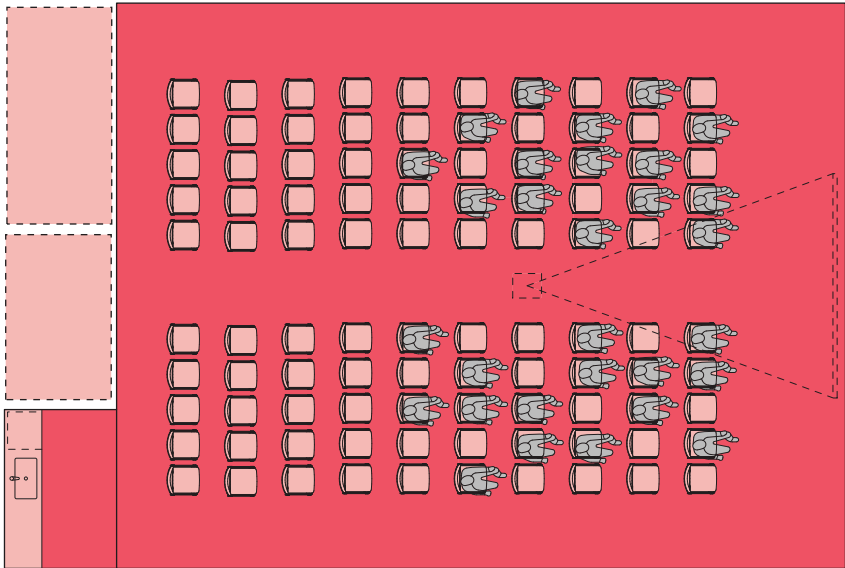


Vestibule
130 ft²

Lobby
300 ft²

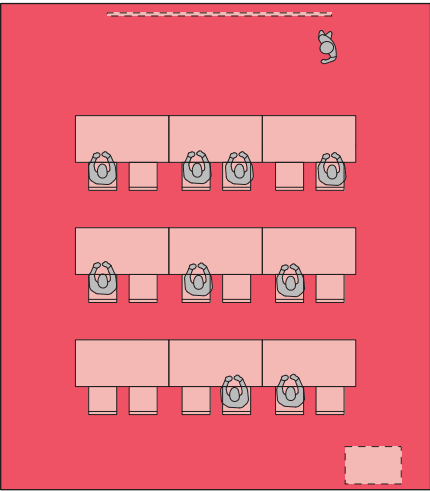


Community



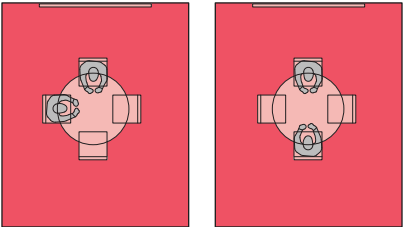
Community Room

1,100 ft² + 50 ft² Kitchenette + 150 ft² Storage



Classroom

600 ft²

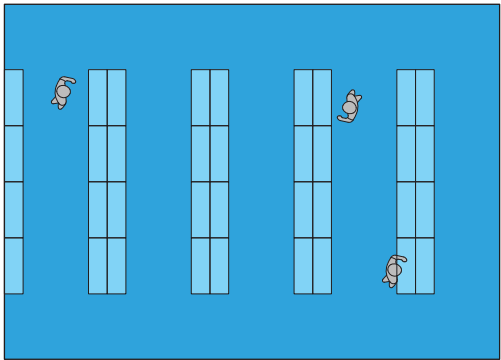


Study Rooms

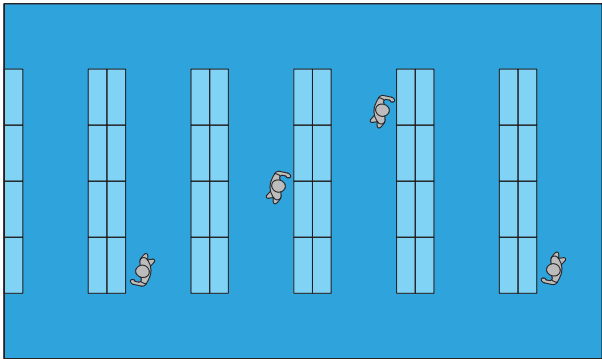
120 ft² each



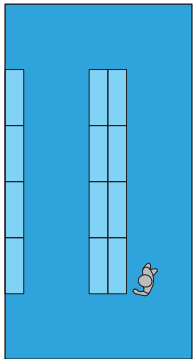
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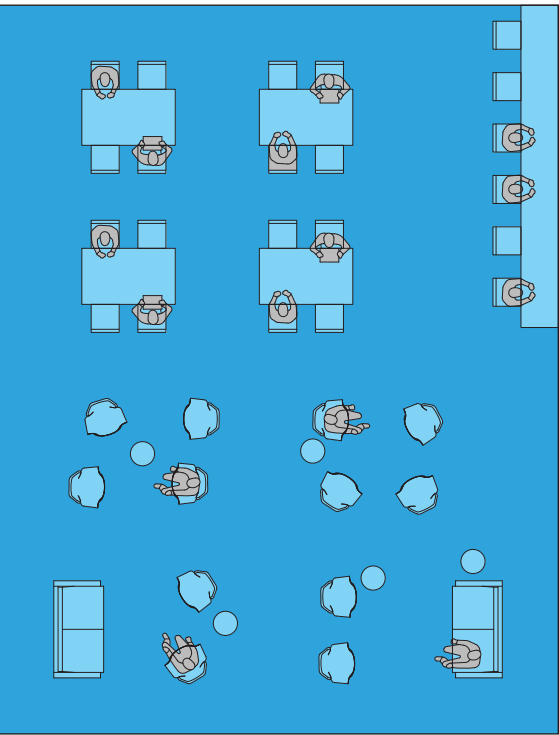
Fiction
510 ft2



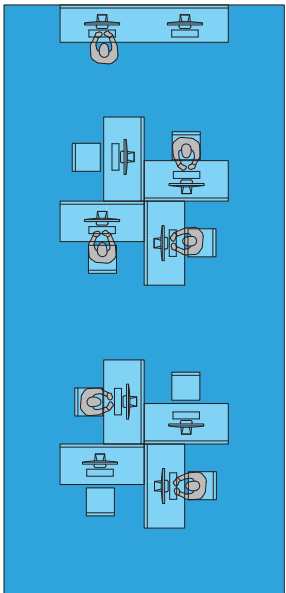
Non-Fiction
654 ft2



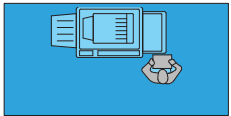
Media
250 ft2



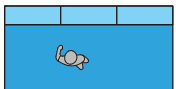
Seating
1,190 ft2



Adult Technology
450 ft2



Print Release Station
50 ft2



Periodicals
40 ft2



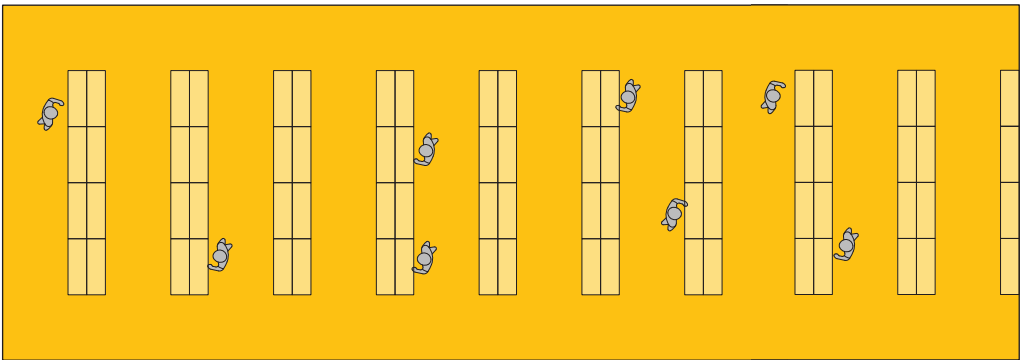
New Materials and Lucky Day
40 ft2



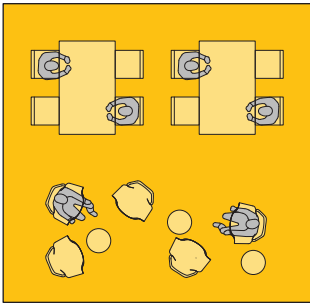
Immigration Materials Display
20 ft2



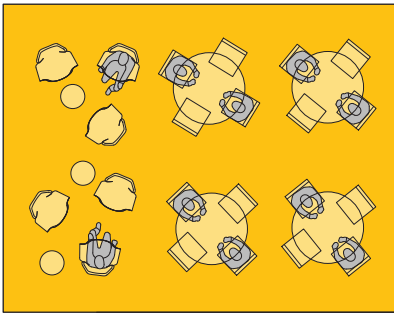
Children



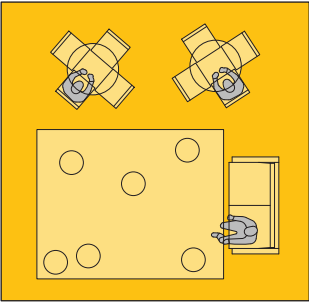
Children's Collection
798 ft2



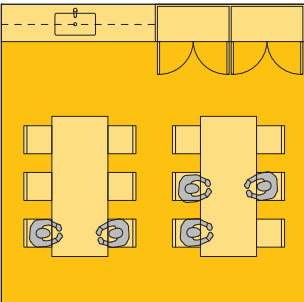
Tweens
220 ft2



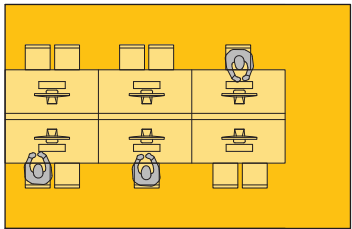
Children's Seating
300 ft2



Early Literacy
220 ft2



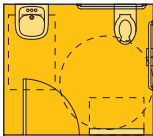
Craft Alcove
250 ft2



Children's Technology
225 ft2



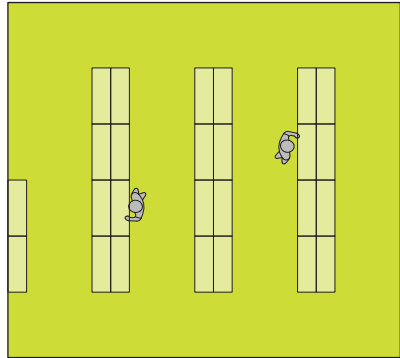
Service Point
45 ft2



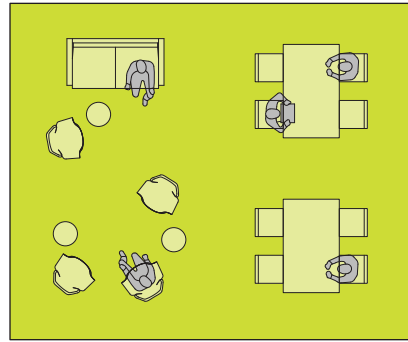
Family Restroom
60 ft2



Teen



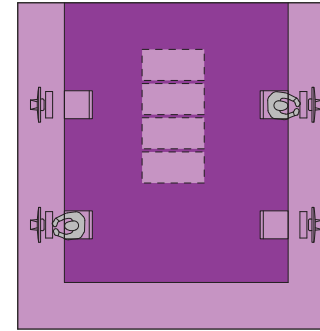
Teen Collection
385 ft²



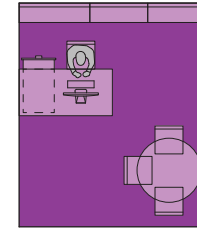
Teen Seating
382 ft²



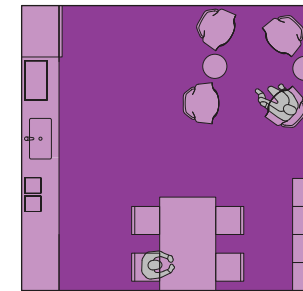
Staff



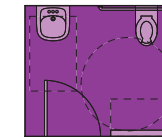
Workroom
300 ft²



Branch Librarian Office
120 ft²

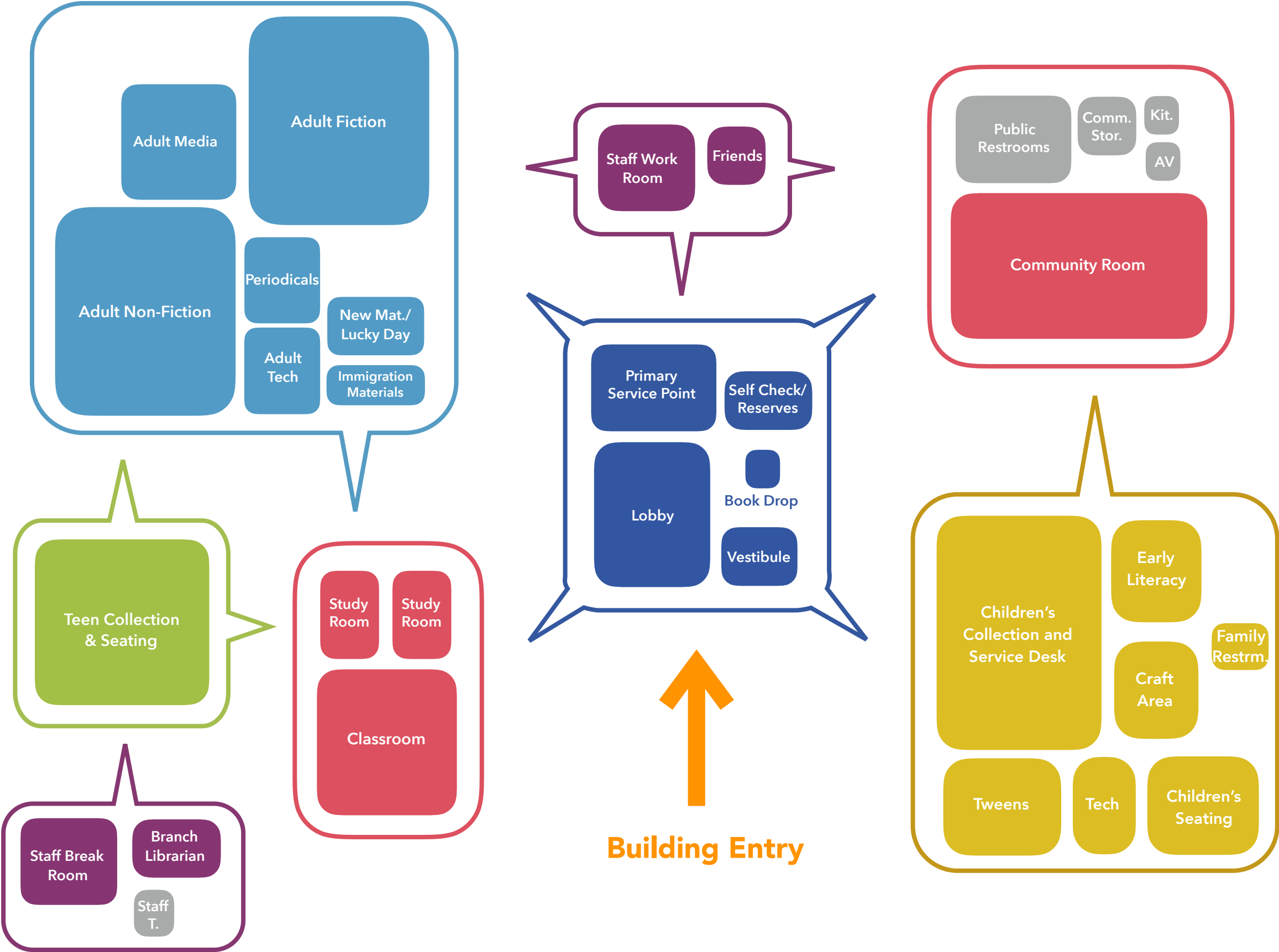


Break Room
253 ft²



Staff Restroom
56 ft²

Program Adjacencies



Site Analysis and Building Massing



Fields Corner Building Heights



Fields Corner Transportation



Dorchester Ave

TALBOT APARTMENTS



1568 DORCHESTER AVE



THE LENANE BUILDING



DOT HOUSE



BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB



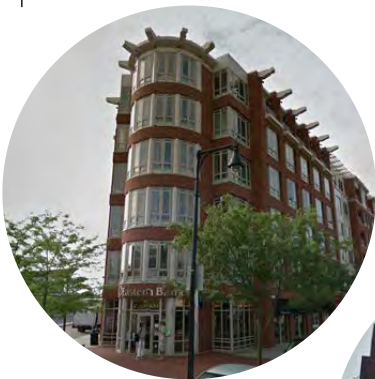
DNA LOFTS



ASHMONT STATION

COLUMBIA ROAD

DORCHESTER AVENUE



THE CARRUTH



THE ENGLEWOOD



1524 DORCHESTER AVE



FIELDS CORNER LIBRARY



DOT BLOCK



THOMAS ENGLISH



CLARK APARTMENTS

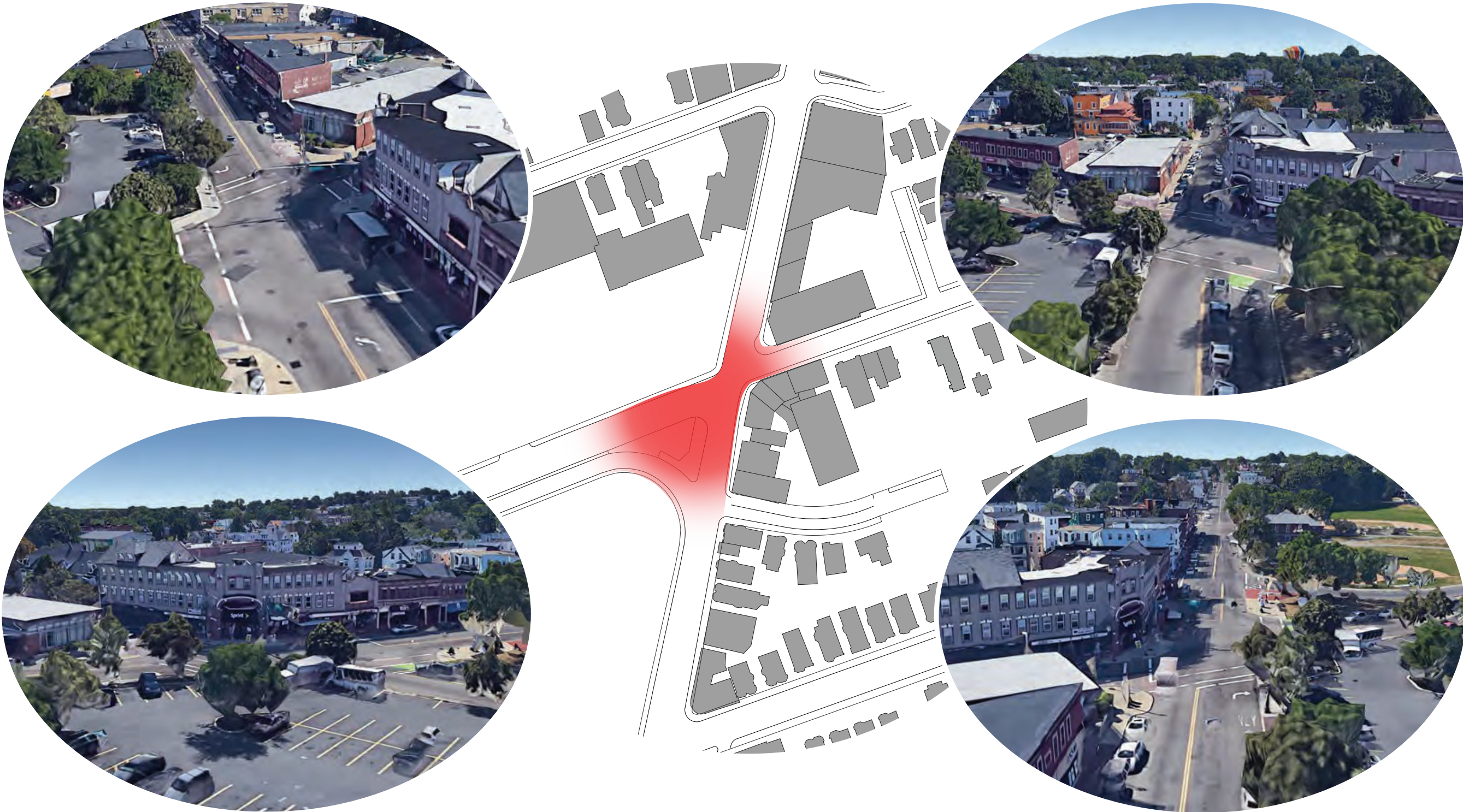
Fields Corner Building Context



Fields Corner Nodes



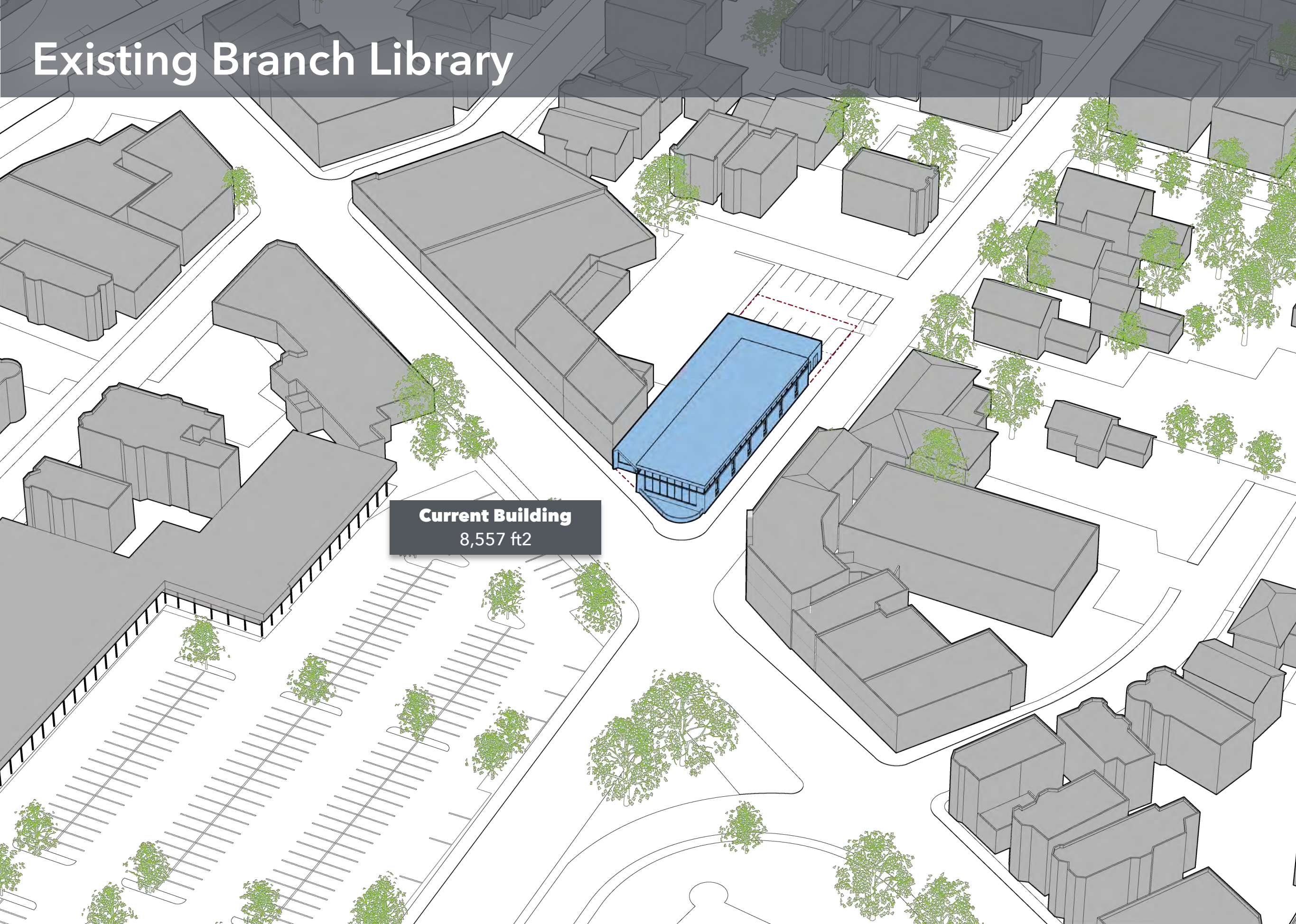
Branch Library Site



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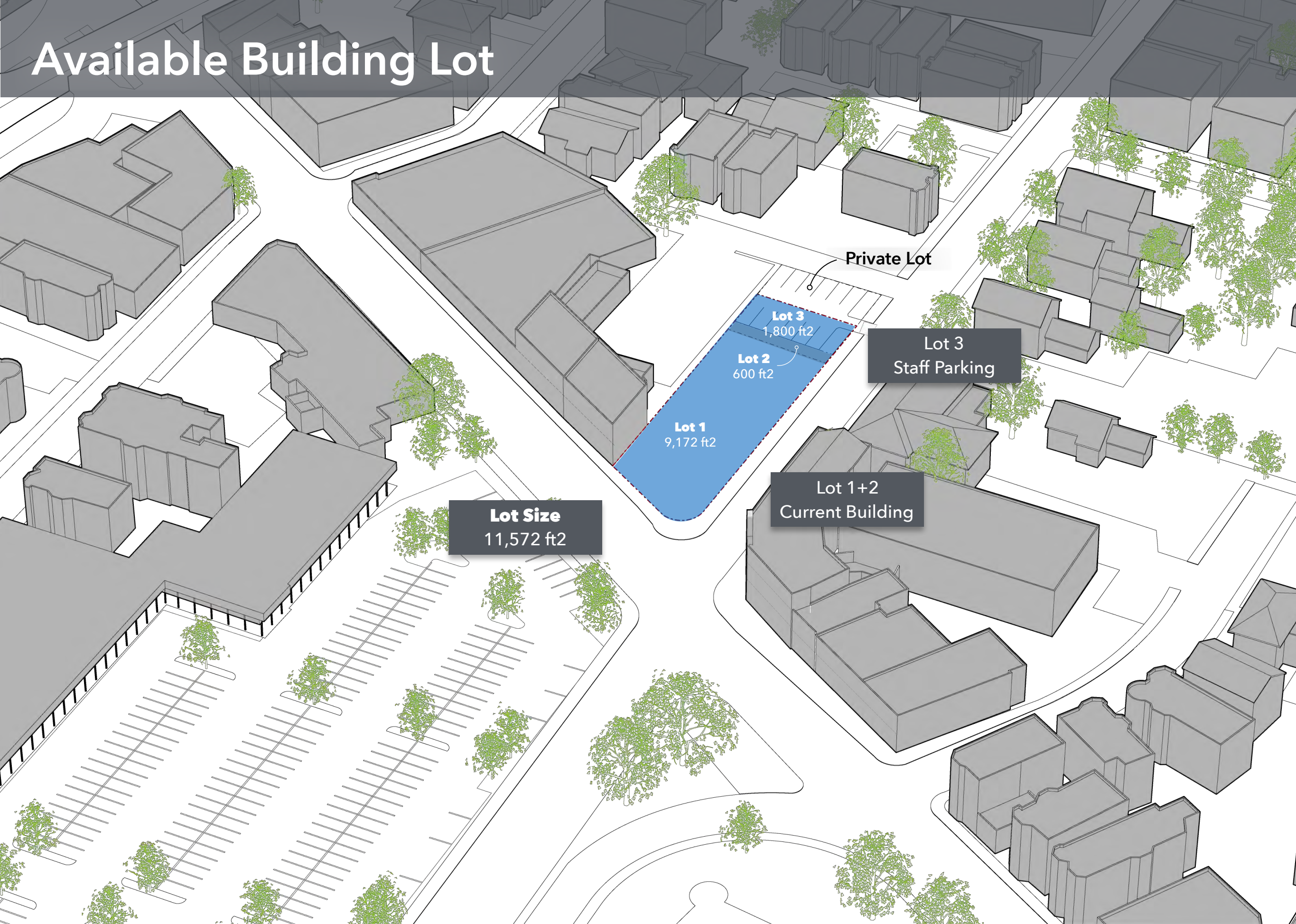


Existing Branch Library



Current Building
8,557 ft²

Available Building Lot



Lot Size
11,572 ft²

Lot 1
9,172 ft²

Lot 2
600 ft²

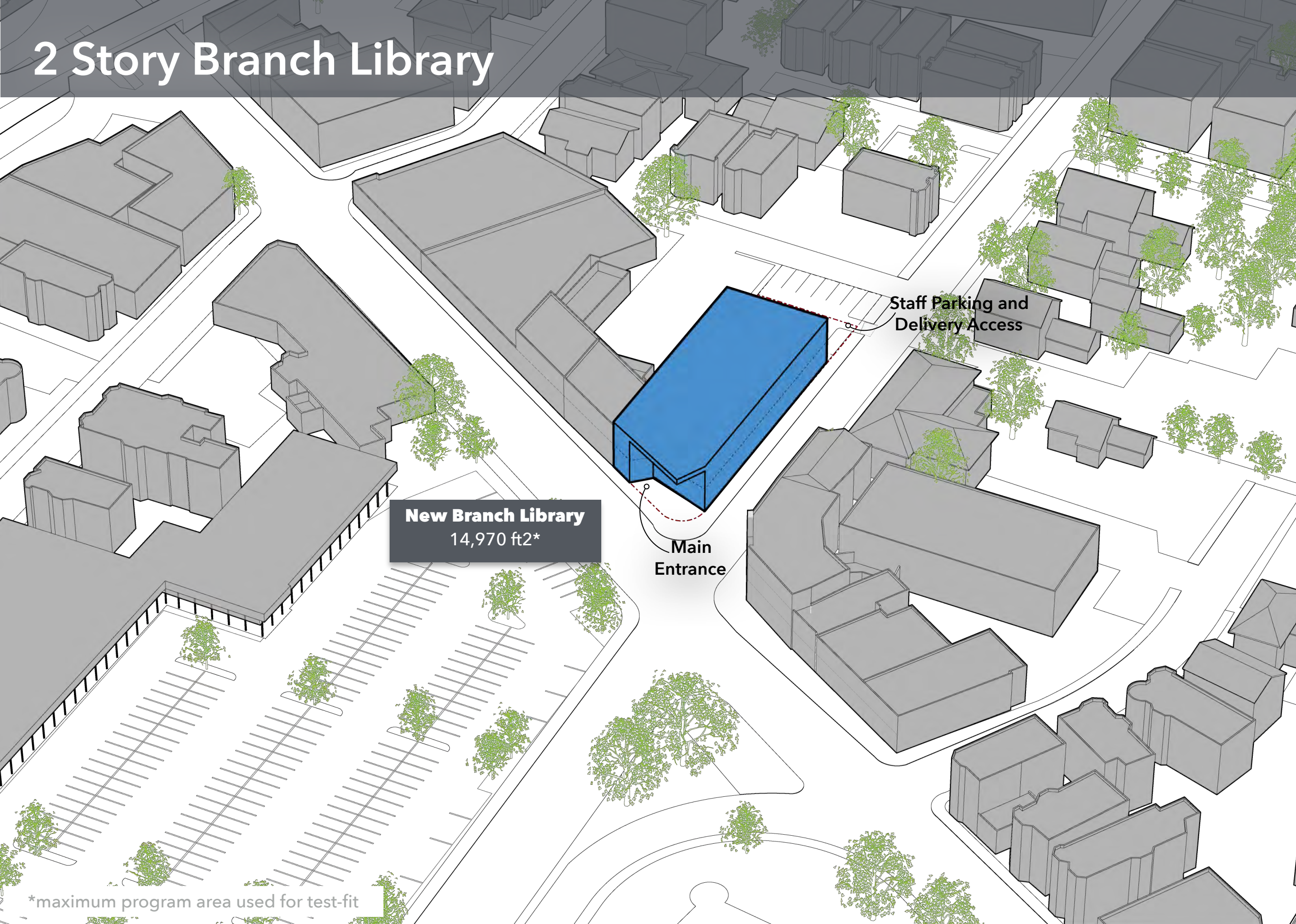
Lot 3
1,800 ft²

Private Lot

Lot 3
Staff Parking

Lot 1+2
Current Building

2 Story Branch Library



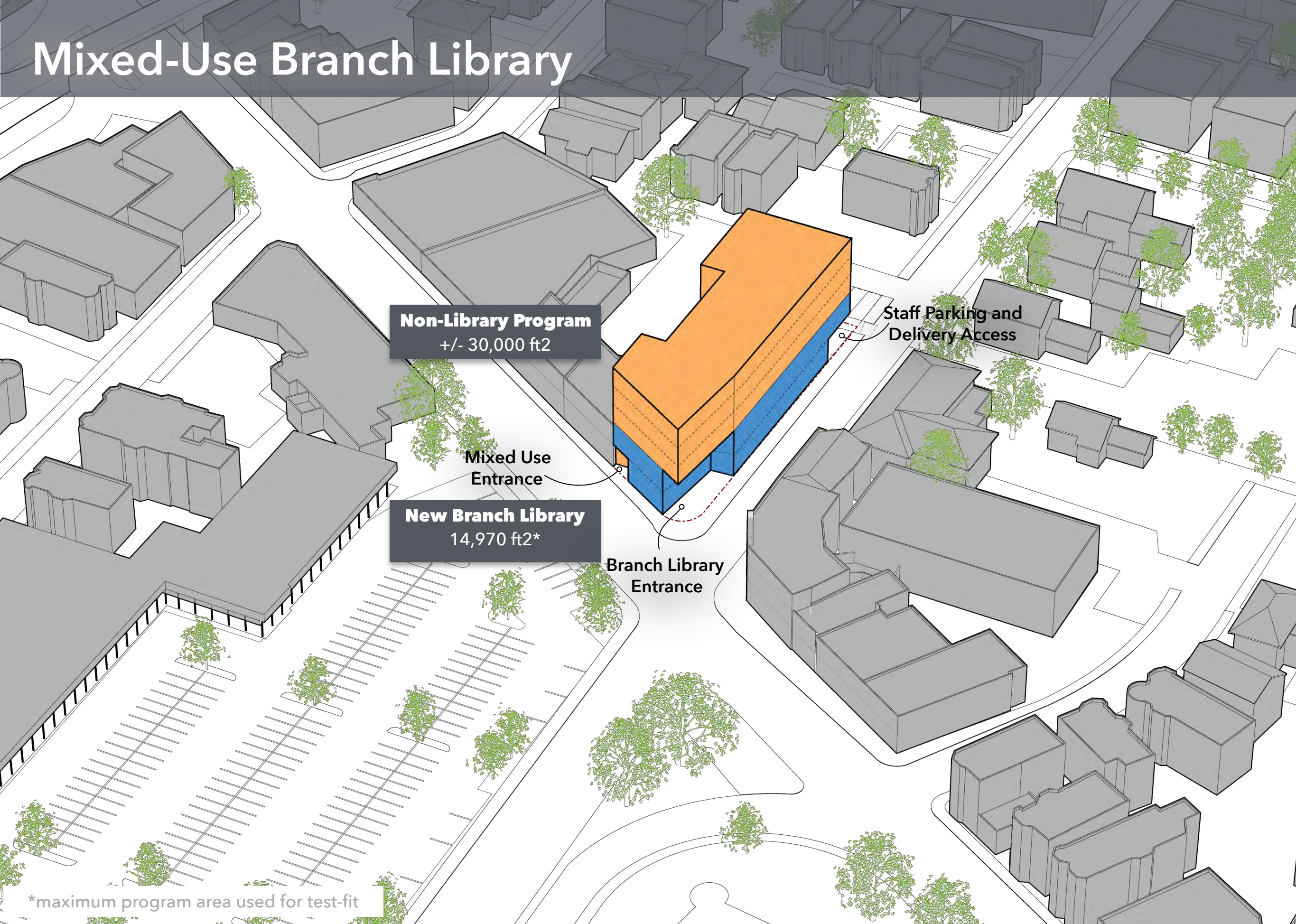
New Branch Library
14,970 ft2*

Main
Entrance

Staff Parking and
Delivery Access

*maximum program area used for test-fit

Mixed-Use Branch Library



Non-Library Program
+/- 30,000 ft²

**Staff Parking and
Delivery Access**

**Mixed Use
Entrance**

New Branch Library
14,970 ft²*

**Branch Library
Entrance**

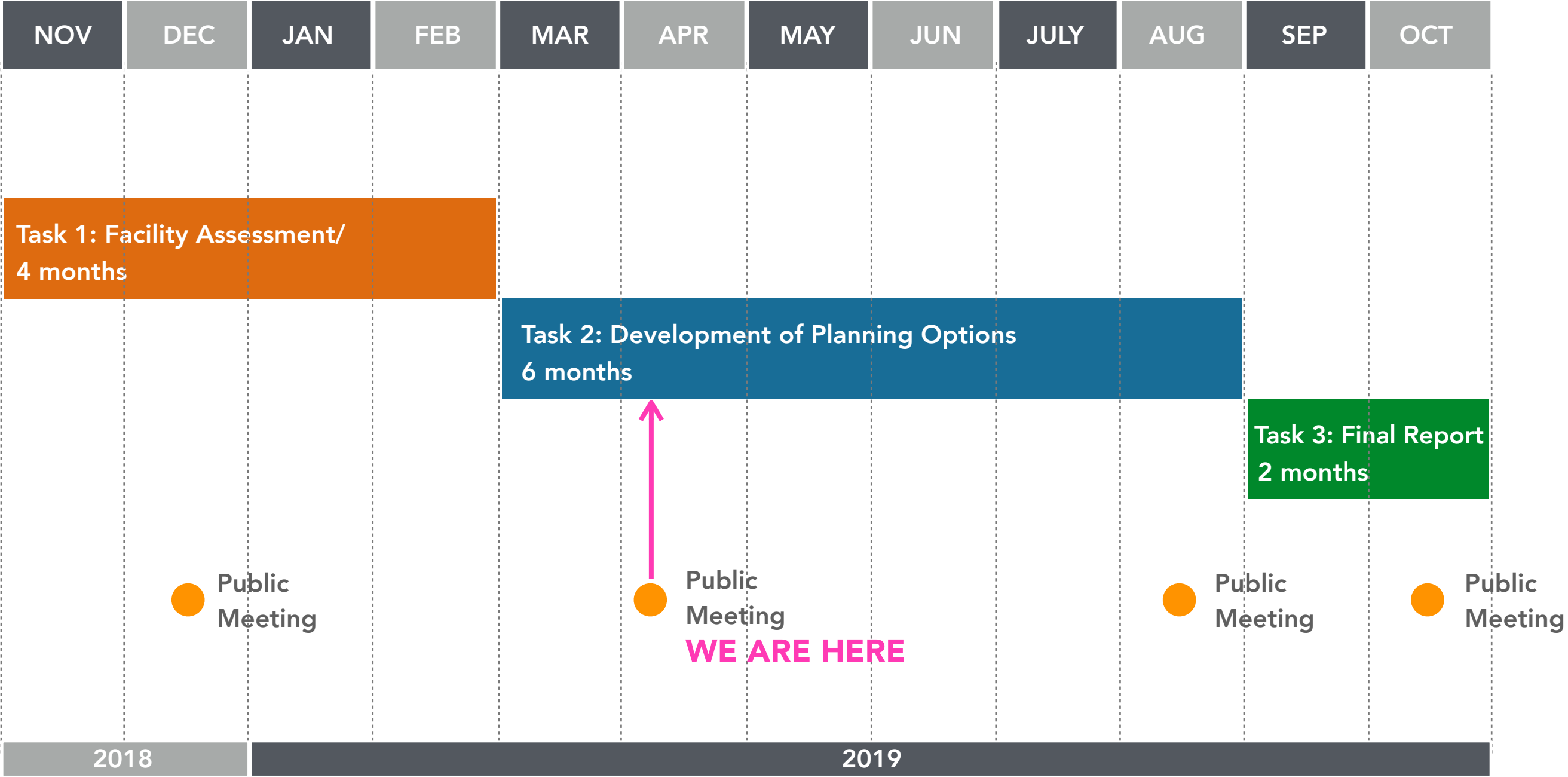
*maximum program area used for test-fit

Next Steps

1. Comments on Programming and Building Massing
2. Development of Library Layout Options and Mixed Use Component



Next Steps



Thank You



Feedback?

Please contact:

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