HARVEST MESA Net-Zero Condominiums for the Hopi Tribe

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PROJECT / introduction





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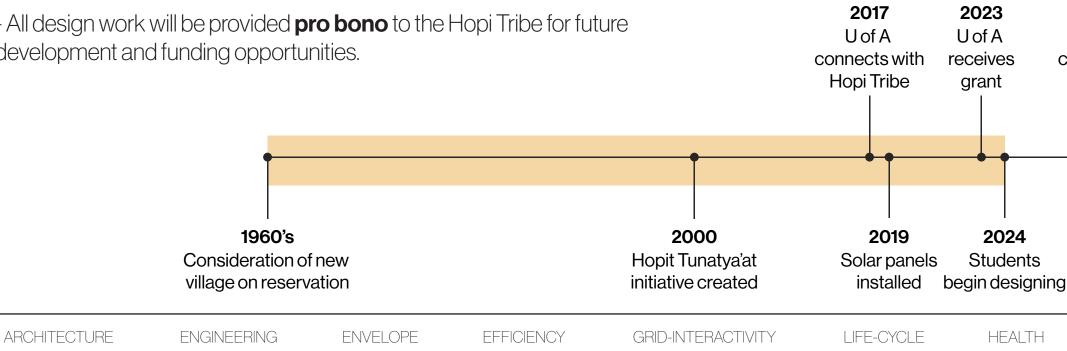
- Project is a partnership between the Hopi Tribe and the Native Peoples Design Coalition (NPDC) at the University of Arizona

- Solar Decathlon Studio was asked by NPDC to help in providing design solutions for the Hopi for a **new community** that has been decades in the making.

-Throughout the semester, we have been in close contact with the Tribe, by visiting their Tribal Council and inviting them to Tucson for feedback.



U of A SDDC '24 Design Studio at the Hopi Reservation, Jan. 2024



- All design work will be provided **pro bono** to the Hopi Tribe for future development and funding opportunities.

2040 Proposed completion date

THE HOPI / culture

History.

- The Hopi have been settled in the region since 1100 AD
- Old Oraibi is the oldest continuously inhabited village in the country
- -Hopi trace their ancestry to pueblo civilizations, including Mesa-Verde in Colorado.

Culture.

- Dry Farming only using rainfall to irrigate their crops
- Matrilineal Society Land is owned by the women in the tribe, men cannot hold land
- Religious Traditions center around harvest and rainfall, which is the basis of their society
- Clan Identities Hopi people identify strongly with extended families or Clans, land is distributed by clan

Values.

- Stewardship to the land
- Sustainability
- Respectful of resources

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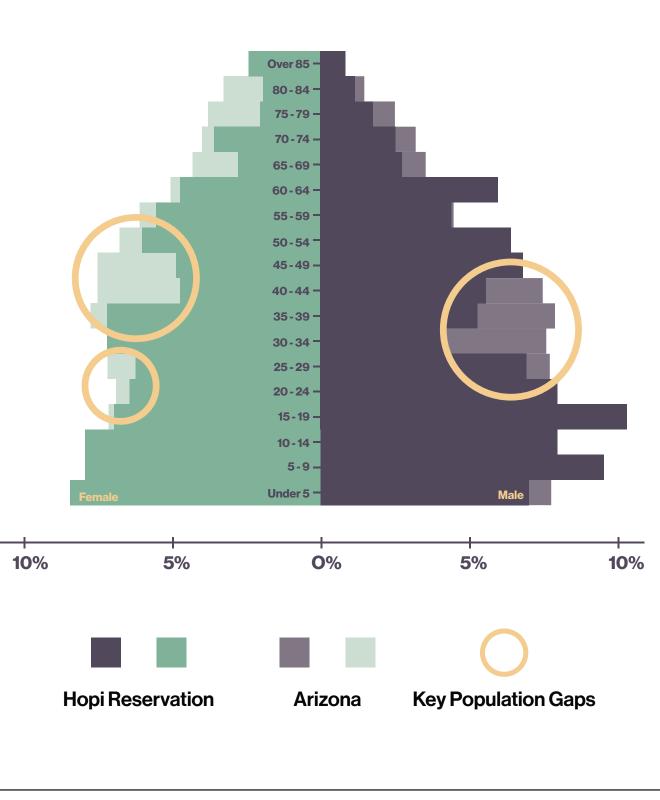
- Durability and resilience

DEMOGRAPHICS / on the hopi reservation









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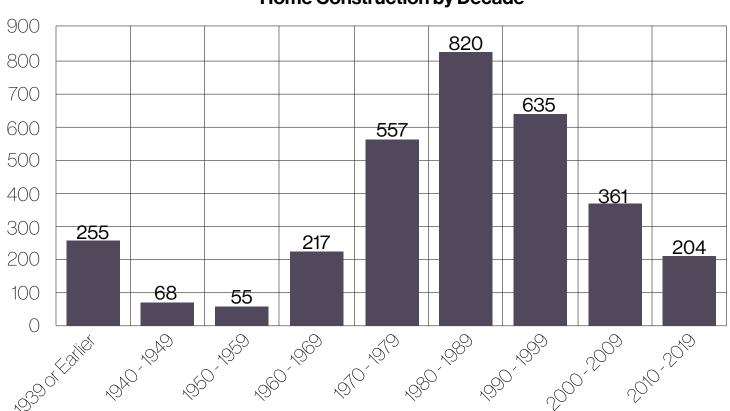
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don't have access to

electricity + running water

making it difficult for younger families to establish livelihoods on the reservation.

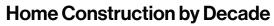


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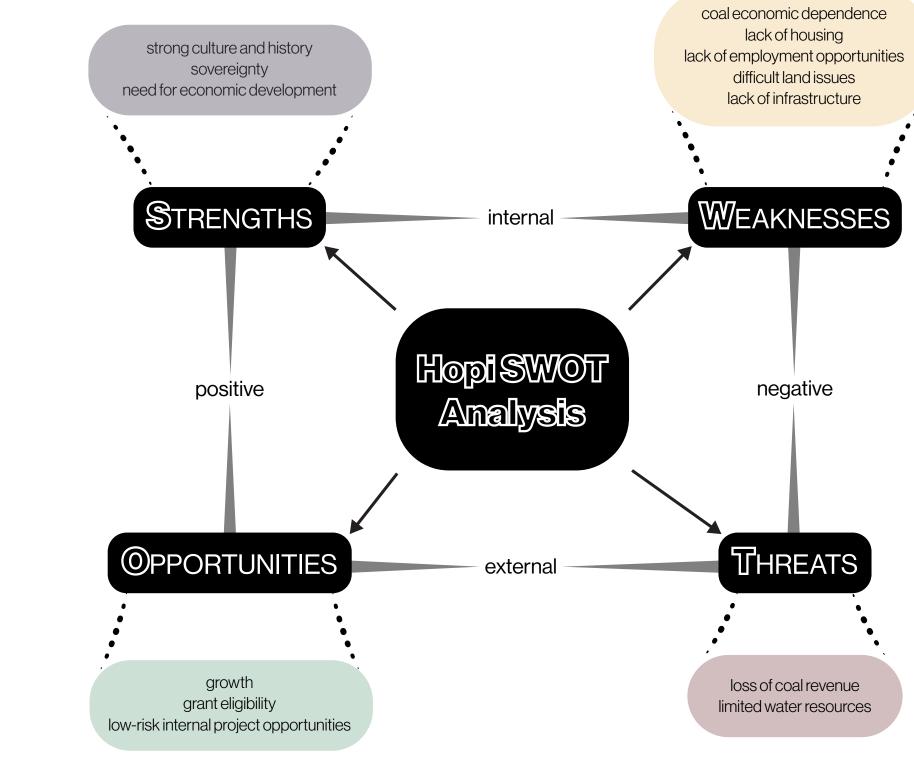
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STRENGTHS. WEAKNESSES. OPPORTUNITIES. THREATS.



SWOT Analysis conducted by Hopi Tribe CEDS Plan 2023

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VISION / statement

needs.

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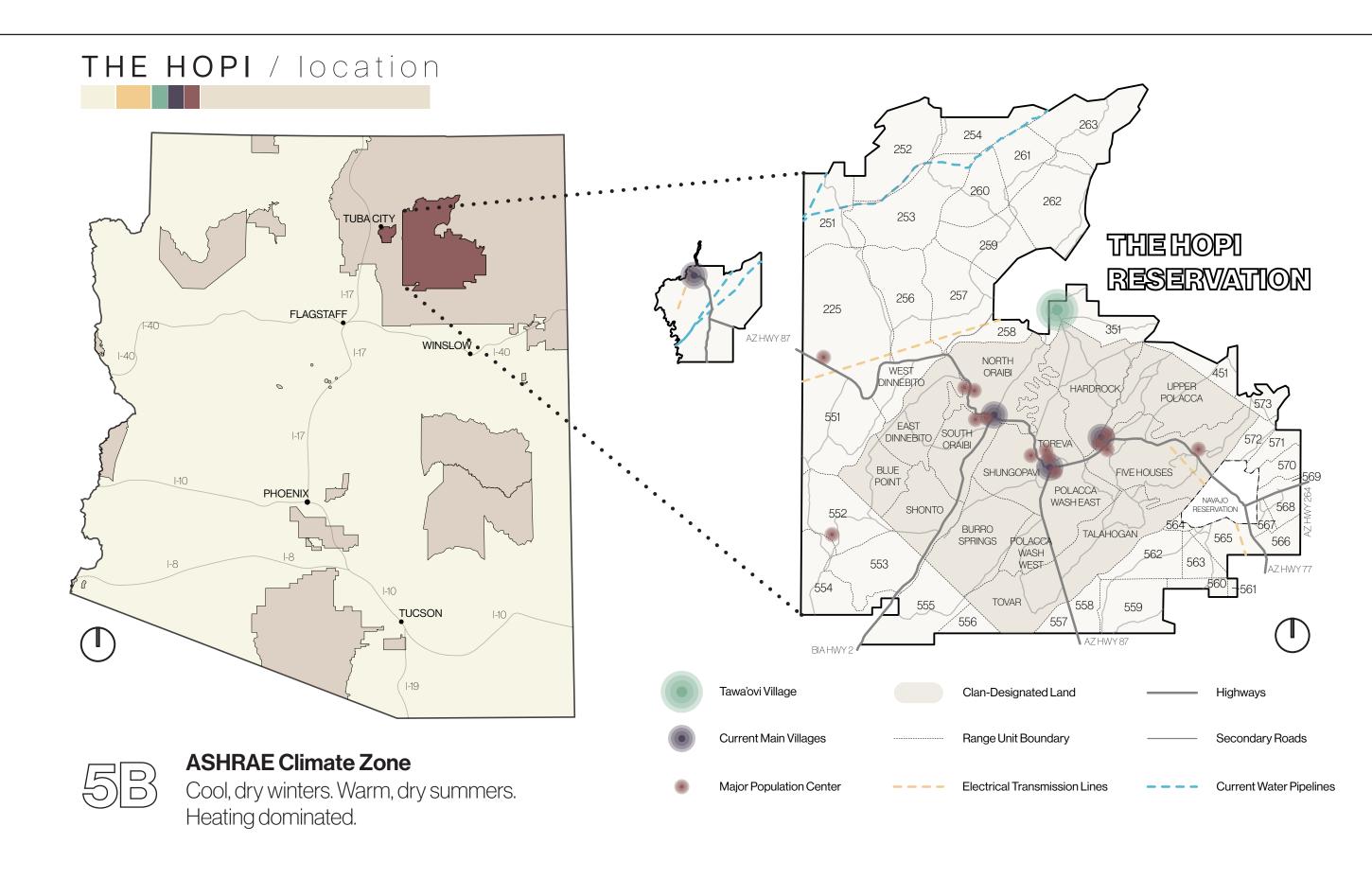
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The mission of this project is to address the drastic housing need on the Hopi reservation by providing affordable, energy independent, and sustainable housing to foster a comfortable and stable lifestyle within a vibrant close-knit community while celebrating and being true to Hopi Values.





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Present.

-Site is remote, and virtually undeveloped.

-Some progress stared on Solar Farm since 2019.



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TAWA'OVI / master plan for a new Hopi village

In progress.

-Design for attached housing development

-Design for multi-family complex

-Design for CTE School

Education CTE Attached Housing Multi-family Housing



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TAWA'OVI / master plan for a new Hopi villa

Looking forward...

-Fully master planned community with mutiple housing developments scaled from current designs.

- Thriving community with modern amenities staying true to culture.

> Education CTE Attached Housing Multi-family Housing



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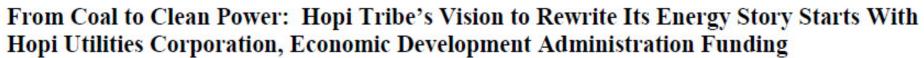
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HOPI CLEAN ENERGY / press-release excerpt

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For Immediate Release

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Kykotsmovi Village, Ariz. - December 27, 2021 (Newswire) - On December 13, 2021 the Economic Development Administration awarded funding to Hopi Utilities Corporation to support the Tribe's transition to a clean energy economy focused on workforce development and quality jobs on Reservation.

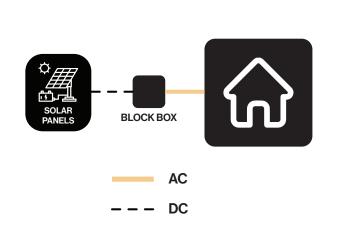
When the Navajo Generating Station (NGS) closed in 2019, it left the Hopi Tribe in incredible economic distress. The Tribe received payments for supplying coal to the NGS, representing 85% of Hopi's revenue. When these payments and jobs vanished, it left the Tribe in dire need for economic development.

Today, Hopi is rebuilding its economy with renewable energy.

Chairman

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GRID-INTERACTIVITY / strategy



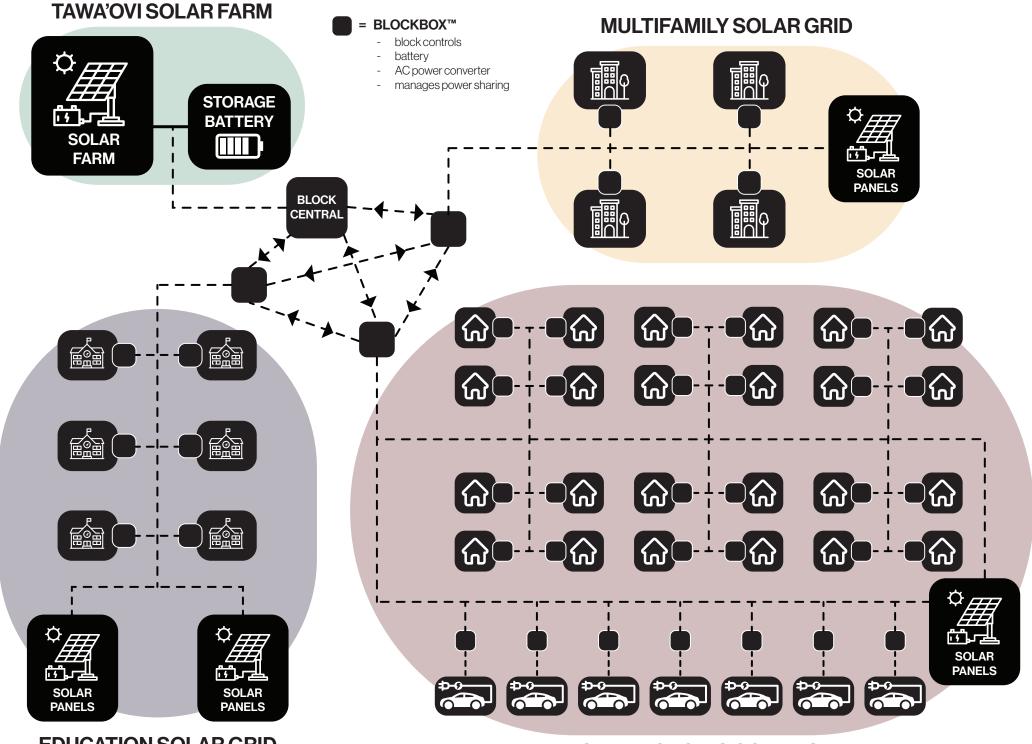
- Each building will be a PHIUS GEB or Grid-Interactive Efficient Building.

- A solar micro-grid provides the energy to power these highly efficient buildings.

- excess solar energy can be shared across many building clusters or neighborhoods in a BlockLoop, with **19% more efficiency** than traditional grids.

- A central solar farm stores reserve energy for later use, when individual buildings may not be able to generate all of their own energy.



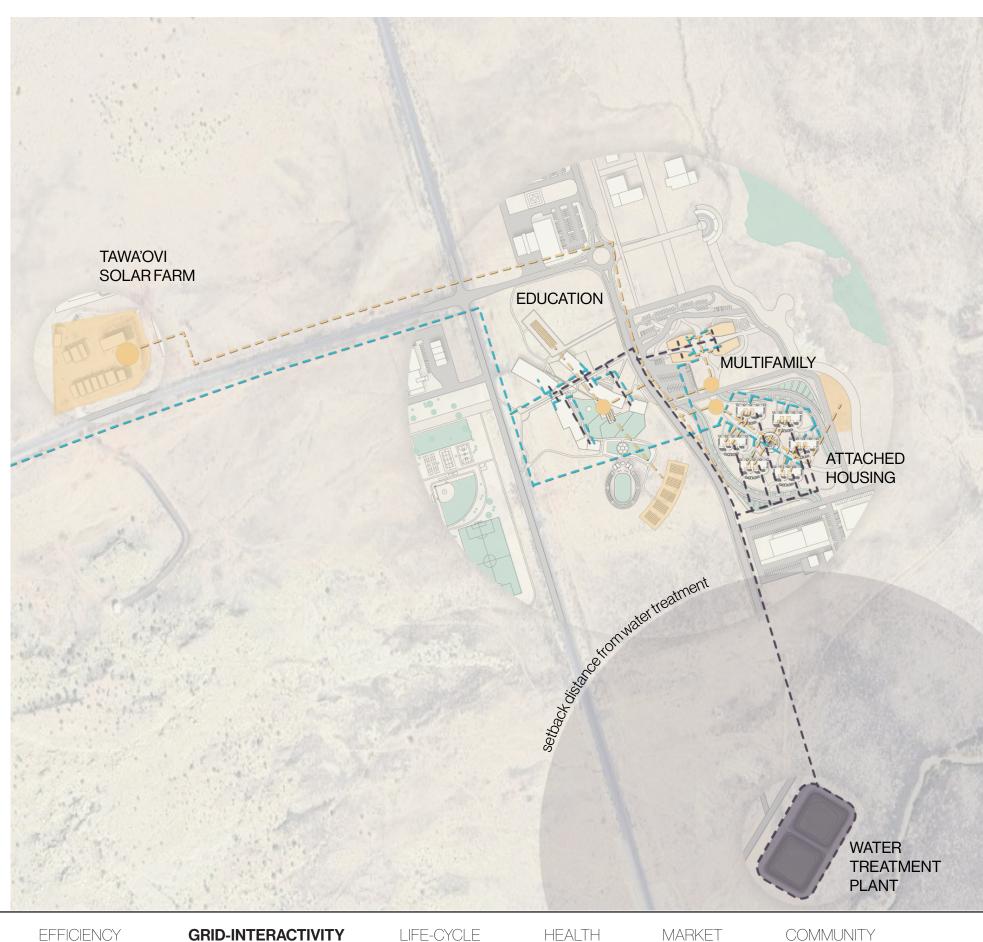


ATTACHED HOUSING SOLAR GRID

TAWA'OVI / master plan



– – Water Treatment Line



Requests of the Hopi

Responses

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[CABANILLAS . MOODAY . NELSON .

-tiered form -accessible roofs for drying crops -use of traditional materials and techniques

Celebrate Culture

-familiar housing typologies

-reinterpreting traditional motifs



Requests of the Hopi

Responses



Celebrate Culture



Cultivate Community

-provide spaces for community gatherings -connection to local resources and community

-community outdoor spaces -paths connecting to education and services



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-designed to meet Phius ZERO standards
-prefabricated construction
-incorporation of passive design strategies
-high efficiency, low cost mechanical systems



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Promote Well-being

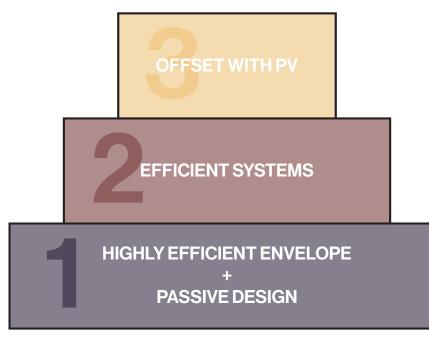
-implementing an architecture that fulfills a comfortable and healthy standard of life amid a harsh desert environment

-use of berms and entry wall to block dust -incorporation of native vegetation in landscape -ERV to maintain indoor air quality

Phius ZERO / passive house standards



Passive House Institute U.S.



Steps to Net-Zero

Thermal Control.

Thermal control helps keep the inside warmer when it's cold outside, and cooler when it's hot outside — to maximize comfort and energy efficiency.

Air Control.

Passive buildings achieve air control by air sealing the enclosure and then providing balanced, mechanical ventilation to achieve superior indoor air quality.

Radiation Control.

Phius-optimized buildings balance solar radiation — taking advantage of it when needed and shading when not to lighten the cooling load and maximize energy efficiency.

Moisture Control.

Passive buildings require special attention to moisture control both in proper vapor and moisture control design for the enclosure as well as the mechanical systems needed to maintain appropriate moisture levels in the space.



SITE/ strategy

Site Intentions.

- Orient housing clusters on North-South Axis for optimal solar control.

- Create communal greenbelts to encourage socialization, physical activity, and gardening.

-Create berms to deflect wind and create outdoor privacy.

> Site Plan Key: Unit Clusters

Solar Farm

Roasting Pits

Education Site

Multi-Family Site

Communal Gathering Space

Summer Solstice

The circulation of the site plan was design around the solstice lines. These being important in Hopi culture, it was important to use them as a guiding perimeter throughout design.

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Cooking

Dry Farming

Cross Country

Cultural Celebrations

Winter Solstice -

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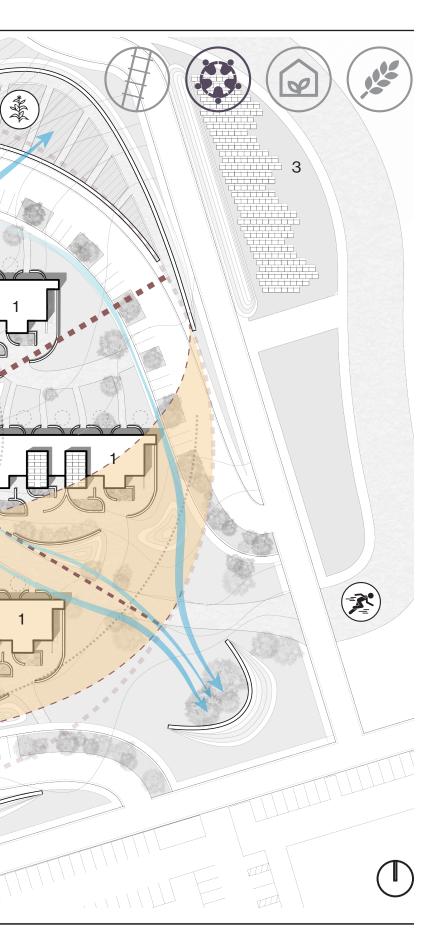
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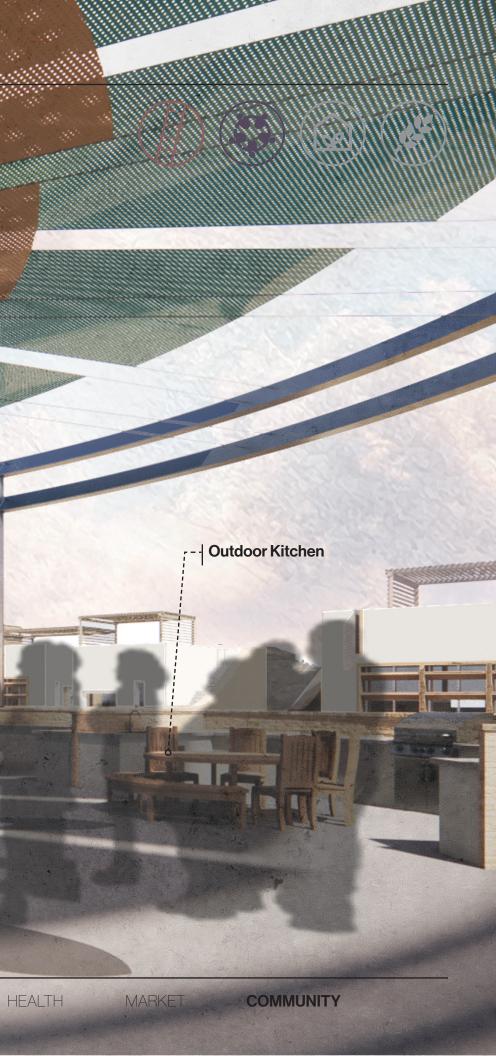
COMMUNITY PLAZA rendering

---- Roasting Pits

Central Gathering Plaza For community celebrations

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LIFESTYLE / health + well-being

Site

The location of the berms and walls creates a physical obstruction that prevents wind from blowing dust particles into the interior of the units.

Entrance

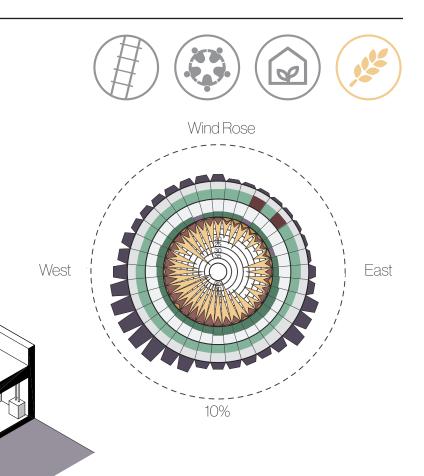
The vegetation outside of the units promotes health by absorbing pollutants and contributing to a calming environment that supports mental well-being.

Interior

While the ERV exchanges stale indoor air with fresh outdoor air, ensuring efficient ventilation, the use of low VOC materials and finishes removes the potential of formaldehyde in the air, both of which contribute to healthy indoor air quality.



site.



Gradient of Strategies.

-Strategies are implemented in a layered approach from the site to interior to maintain healthy environments for our occupants.

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Sandstone Walls Incorporates traditional and local building materials.

Drainage Canales - deliver

water to gardens and provide visual connection to water

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|Tiered Massing - familiar

architectural typology, giving a sense of home to the community

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ACCESSIBLE ROOFTOP / rendering

Ramada Place for drying Hopi corn.

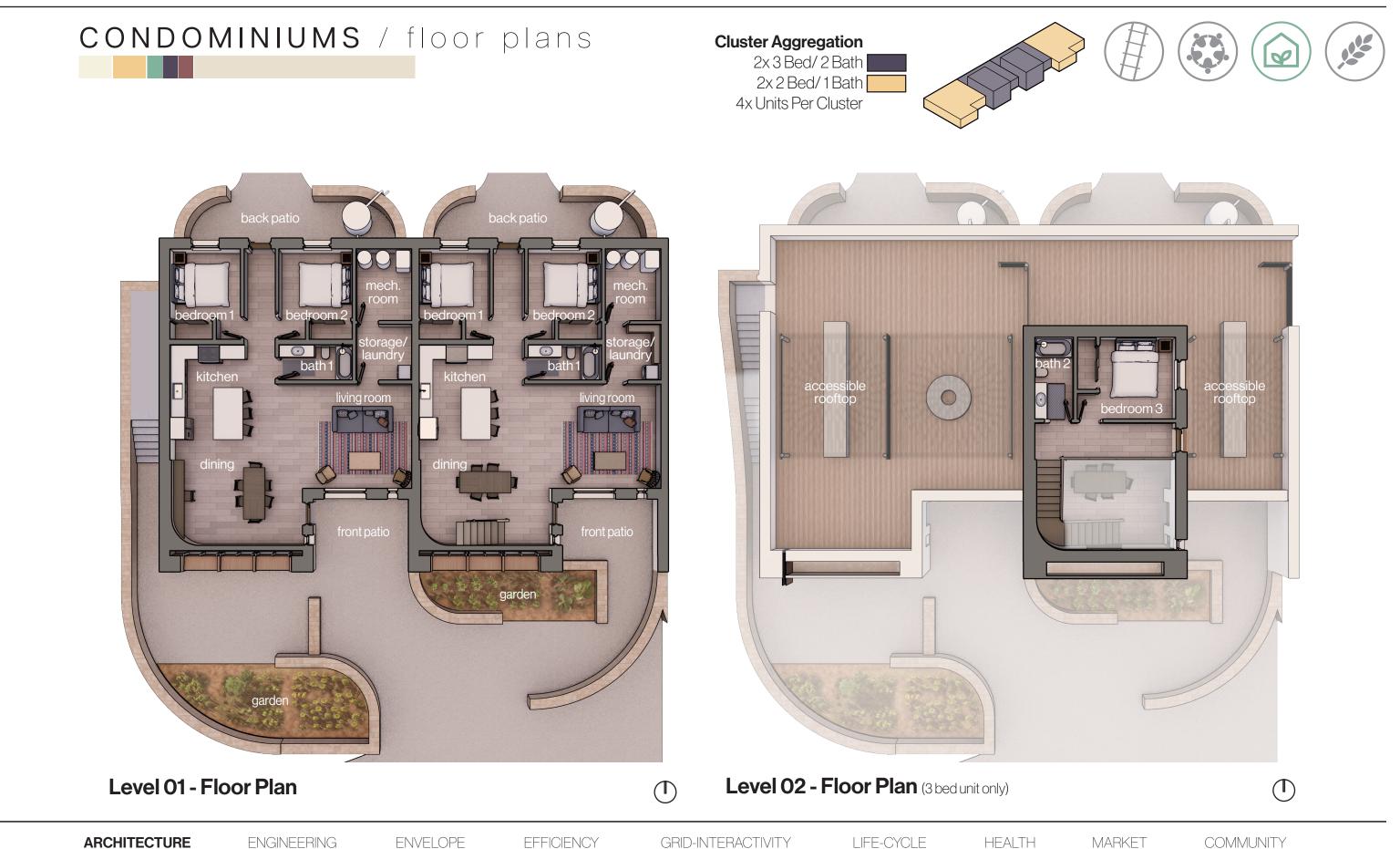
Outdoor Gathering

Provide outdoor gathering spaces for individual residents that can be opened up to other resident for impromptu gatherings.









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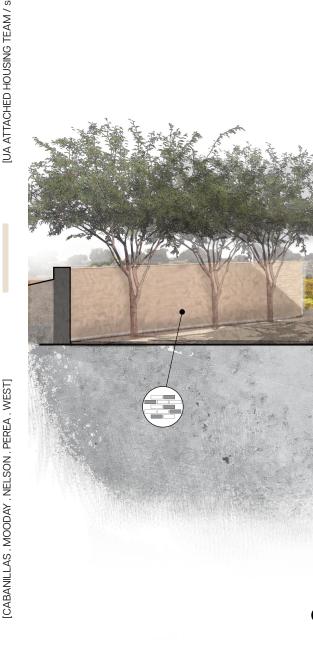
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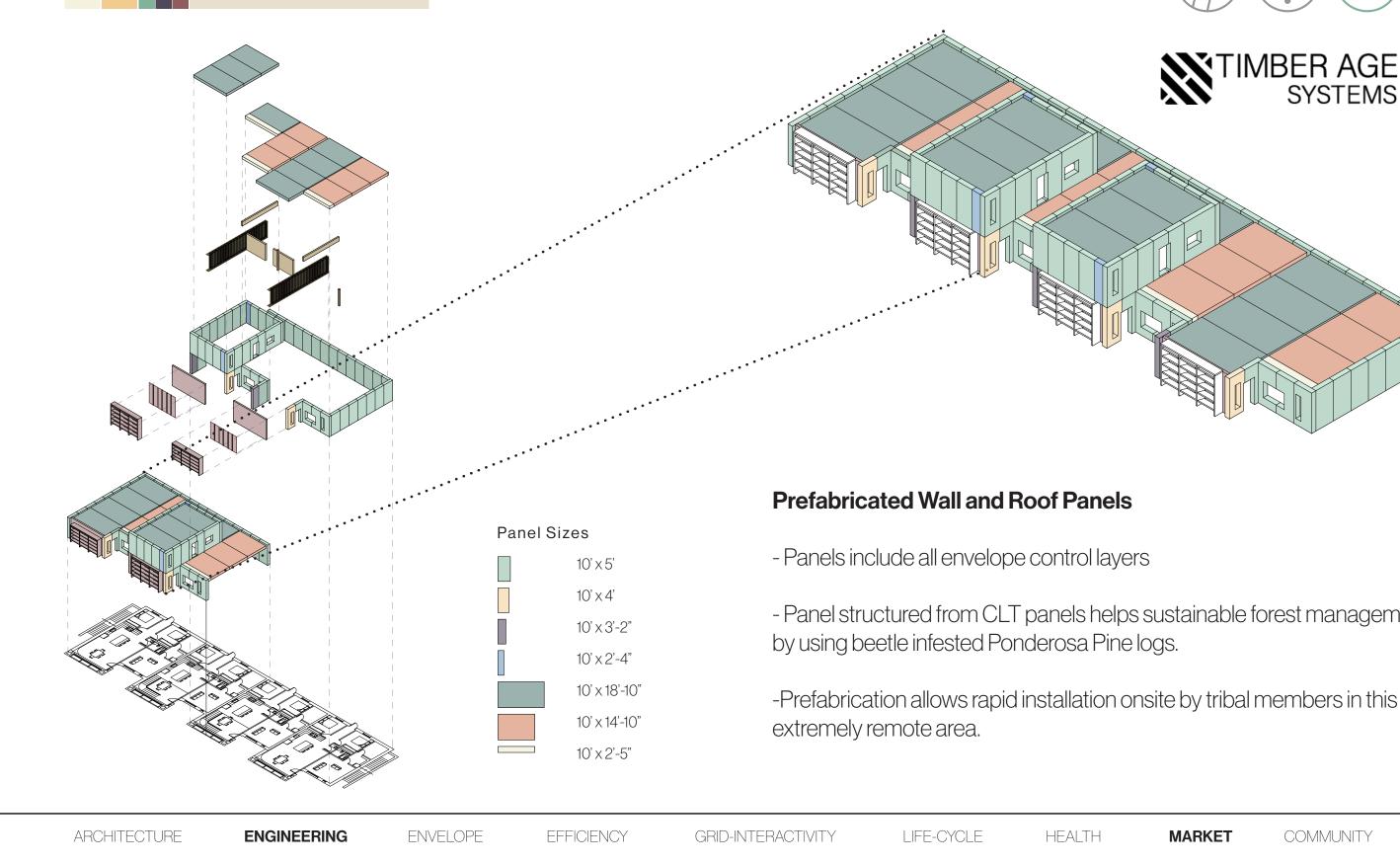
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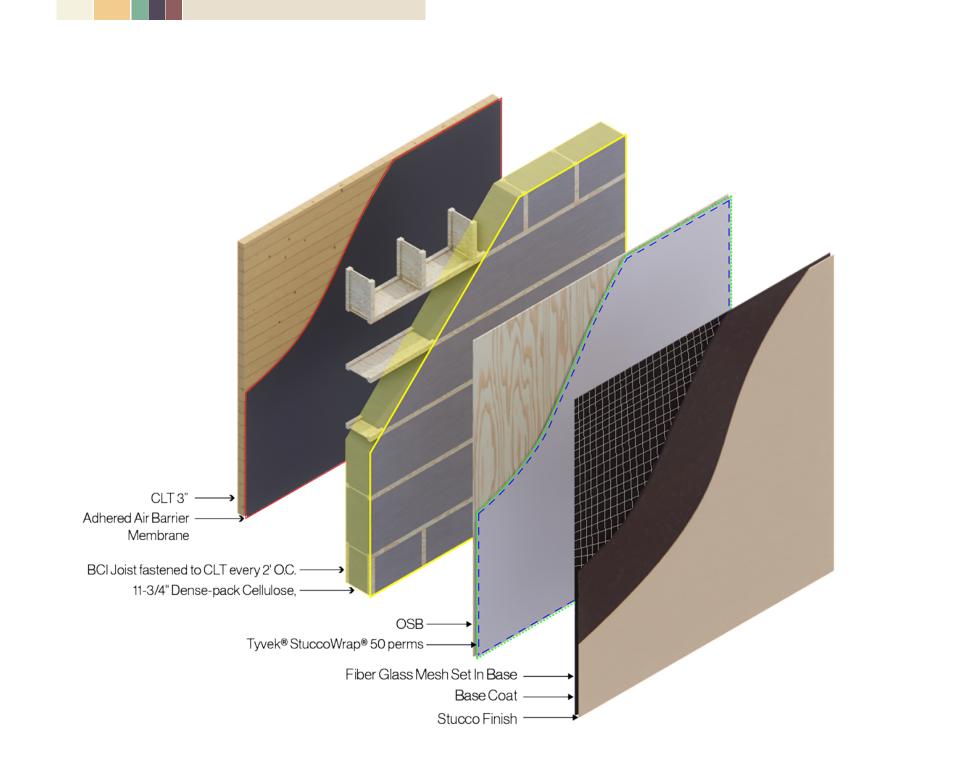
SUSTAINABLE STRUCTURE/ prefab mass timber panels





- Panel structured from CLT panels helps sustainable forest management

PREFAB STRUCTURAL PANEL / assembly





SYSTEMS

Drainage Plane

Vapor Control Layer

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Thermal Envelope

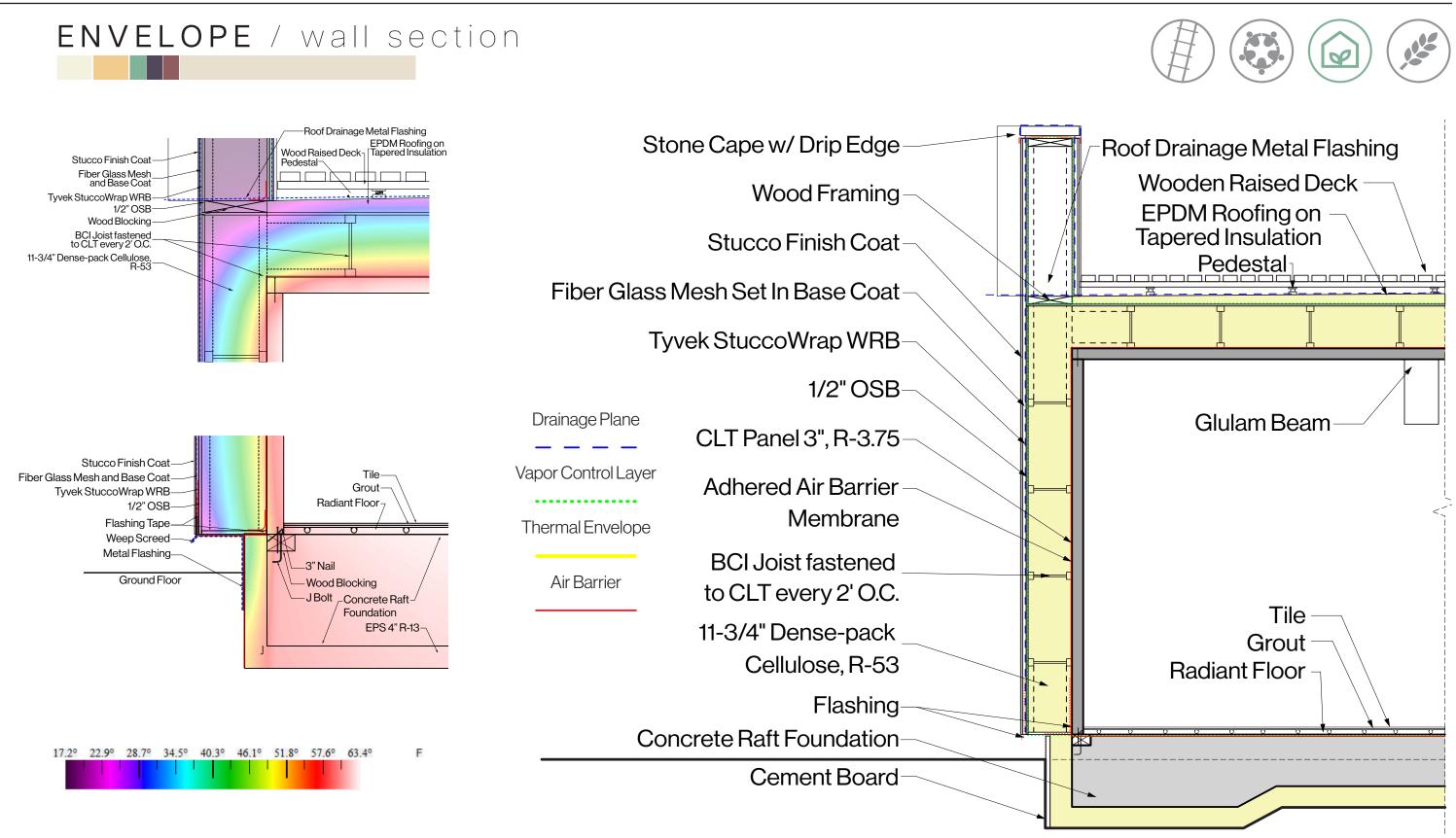
Air Barrier

CLT 3", R-3.75 + 11-3/4" Dense-pack Cellulose, R-47 +

Synthetic Stucco Coats, R-4

Total Wall Assembly = R-54.75

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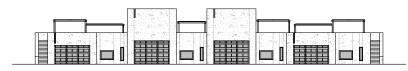
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BUILDING LIFE CYCLE / carbon impact



Timber Aged Modular Systems

Timber Age CLT Panels uses modern, low-impact equipment in order to log unhealthy trees that are harming the natural environment.



How Much Carbon is Really Being Used?

Over the lifetime of the building, it is estimated that **138 kg CO2 e/m2** over its lifetime. The high efficiency panels are **Passive House Certified.**

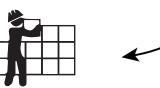


Forest Fires

When mismanaged, the rotting wood decomposes and creates excess carbon emissions leading to a high chance of forest

Building Timber Age CLT Panels

This panelized wall system is **126% better** than the IECC 2021 standards. These wall panels are packed and shipped saving air, and reducing build times.



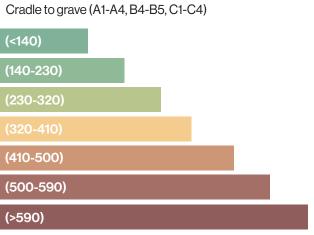
Assembly

Using Timber Age CLT Panels for assembly, along with reducing other loads, yearly energy consumption can be **reduced 91%.**









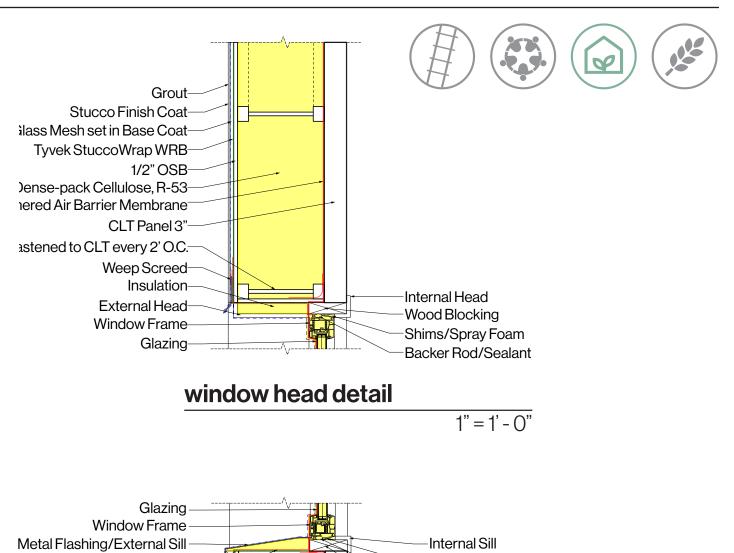


WINDOW / details

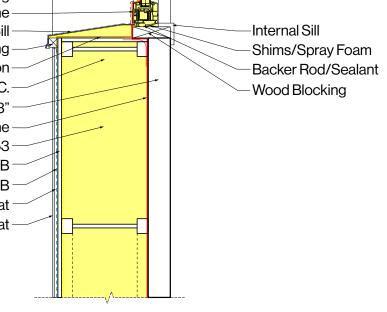
Alpen Tyrol TR-6 Series phius certified. triple paned. low-e.











window sill detail

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/whole window U-value

SGHC

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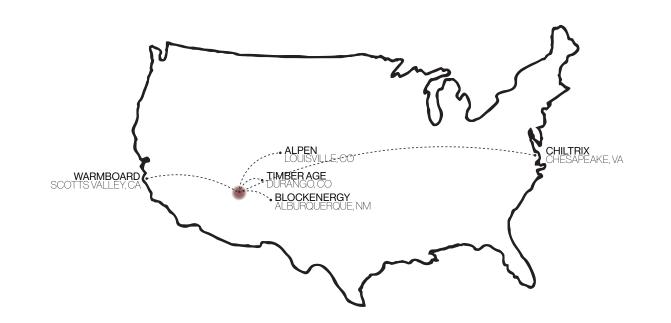
PERFORMANCE PRODUCTS

1" = 1' - 0"

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MARKET SUSTAINABILITY / materials + cost

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Overhead(\$180,711) 12.2%	
Mechanical(\$90,870)	
Electrical (\$17,658) 1.2%	
Specialties(\$37,478) 2.5%	
Interior Walls/Doors(\$29,098) 2.0%	
Roofing(\$421,938) 30.4%	

\$2 million / kickstart budget

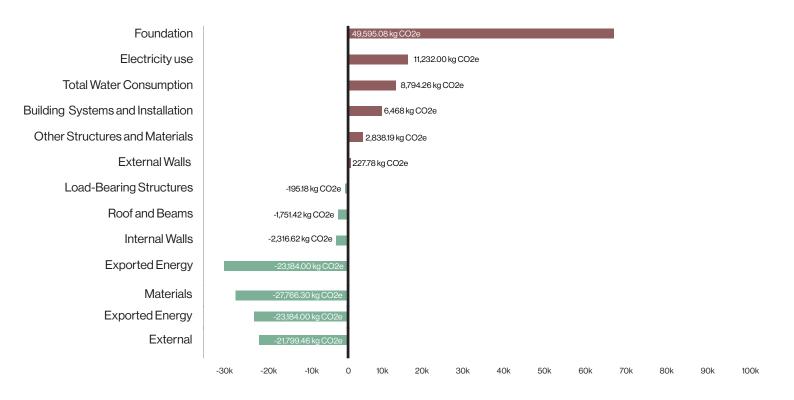
With funding provided by the CARES Act of 2020

\$1.48 million / project cost



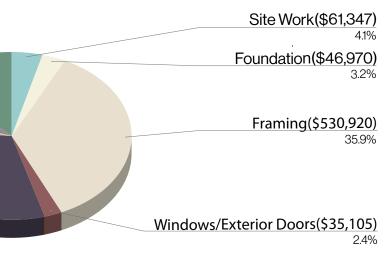
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Phius studies have shown a 3.3% decrease in construction costs compared to conventional methods after 4 years.

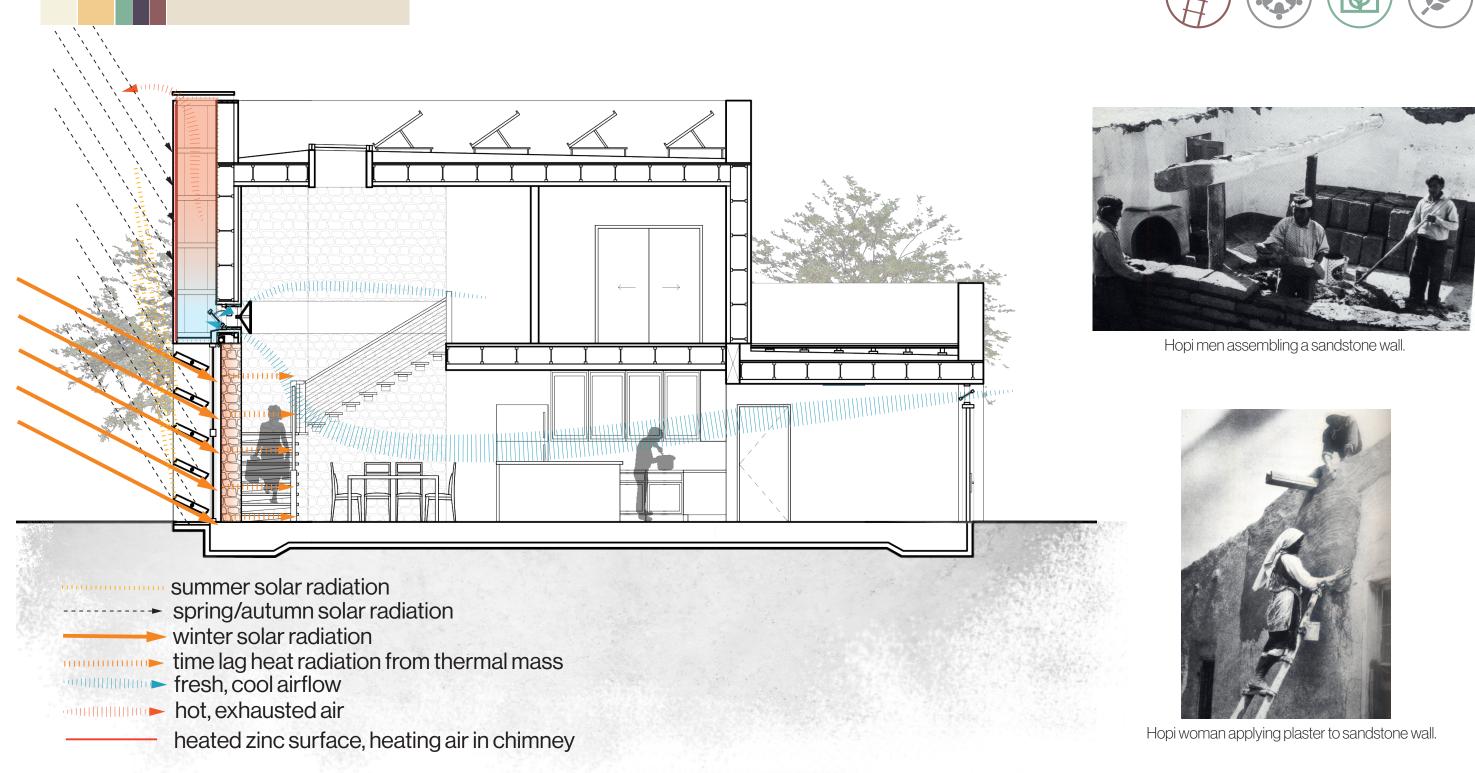


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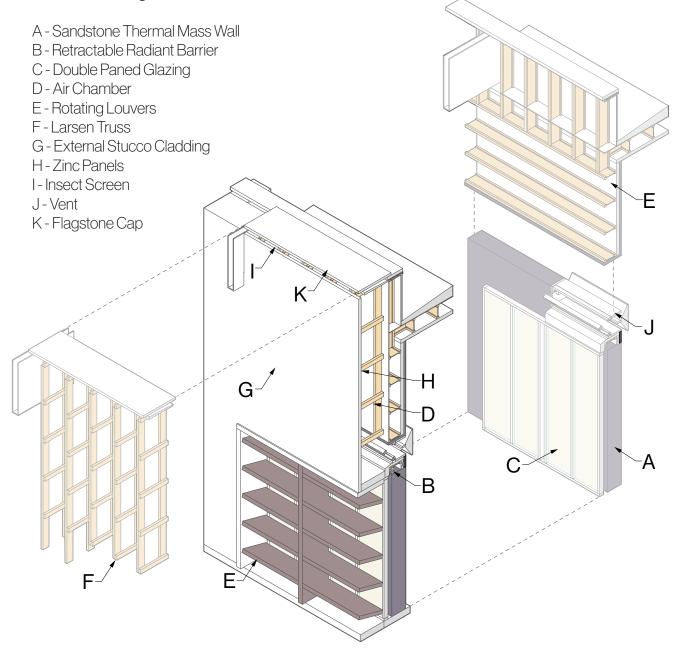




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PASSIVE WALL / assembly + interior quality

Passive Wall Legend.





Hopi sandstone on the trombe wall seamlessly blends into the interior, creating a **space that resonates** with the occupants. It contributes both to the **aesthetic** and **thermal comfort** of the interior.

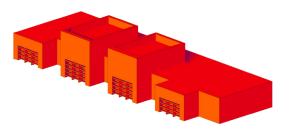
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PASSIVE WALL / operation

Radiation Analysis (shading effectiveness)



December (fully lit)

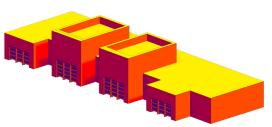
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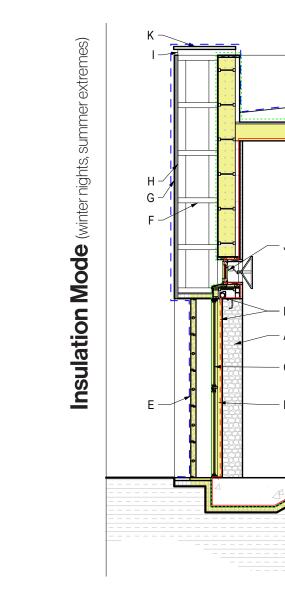
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Solar Gain Mode (winter, spring, autumn)









Passive Wall Legend.

- A Sandstone Thermal Mass Wall E Rotating Louvers B - Retractable Radiant Barrier C - Double Paned Glazing
- D Air Chamber
- F Larsen Truss G - External Stucco Cladding H - Zinc Panels

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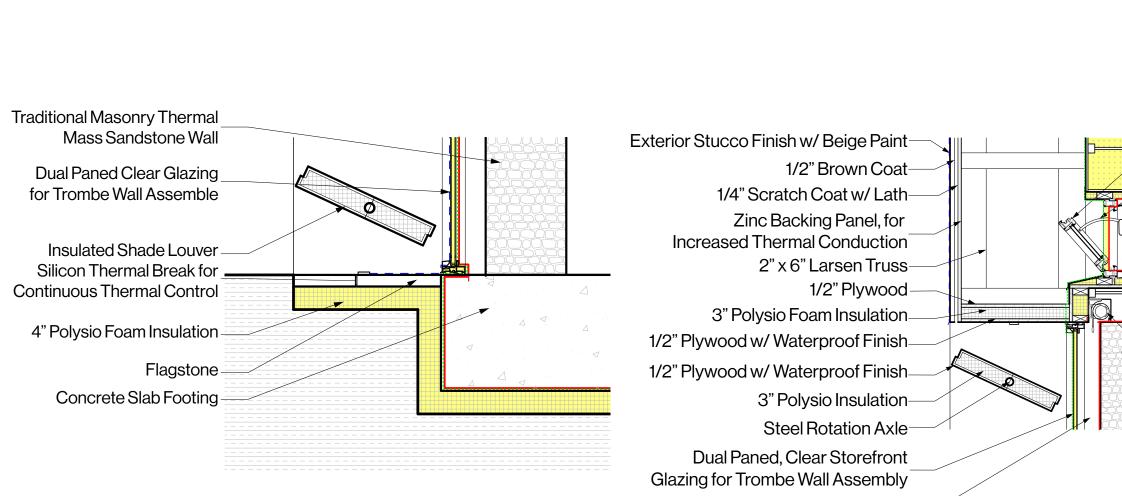
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I - Insect Screen J - Vent K - Flagstone Cap

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PASSIVE WALL / details



Trombe Wall Footing Detail

Trombe Wall Vent Detail

3.5" Air Gap for Trombe Assembly

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Operable Alpen Tyrol High - Performance PHIUS Certified Window Acting as Vent

-Mechanical Arm

- Motor for Automatic Window Operation

- Fascia Support Framing

Decorative Vent Fasica/Cover - 1/2" - Plywood Mitered, Sanded and Finished in Natural Oil

Removable Stone Veneer for Retractable Barrier Access

CLT Panel with Access Channel

Retractable Radiant R-4 Radiant Barrier for Night Time Insulation of Trombe Wall

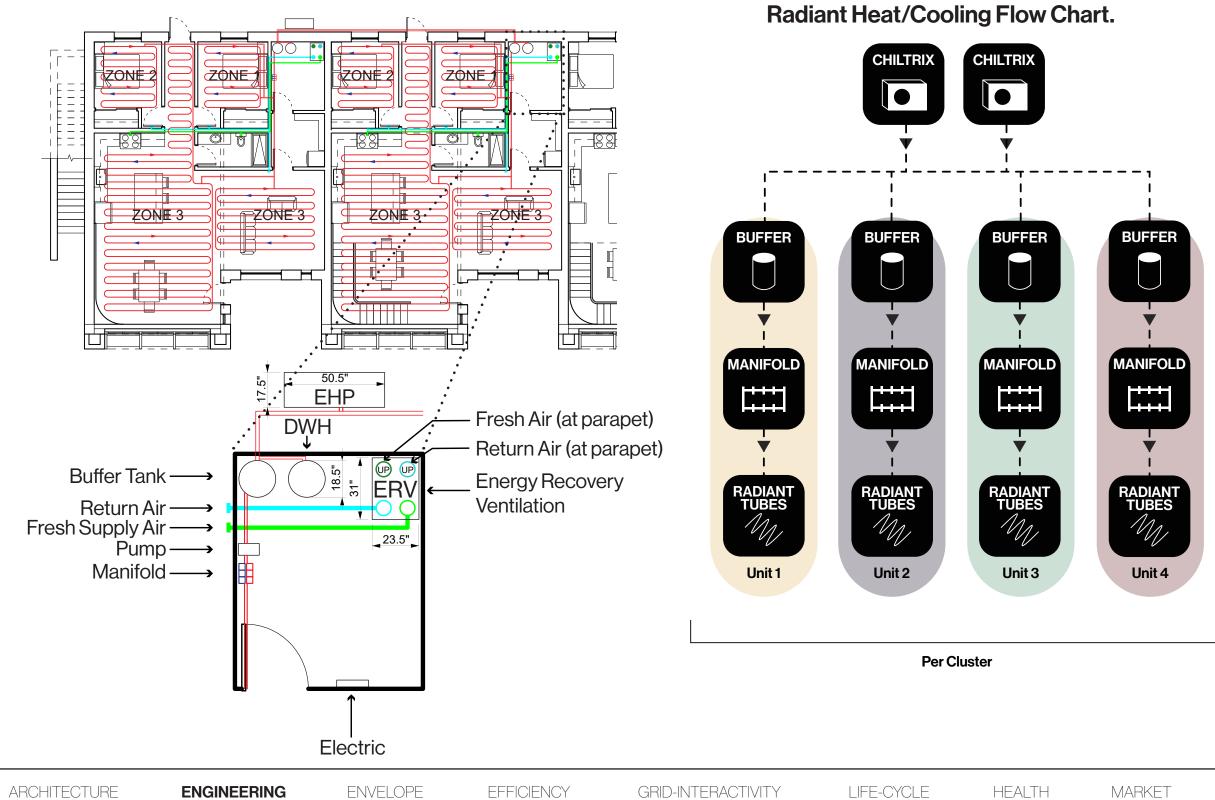
J-Bolt w/ Steel Angle to Fasten CLT to Stone Wall

Traditional Load Bearing Sandstone Masonry Thermal Mass/Bearing Wall

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Chiltrix heat to water air pump



VCT 19 buffer tank



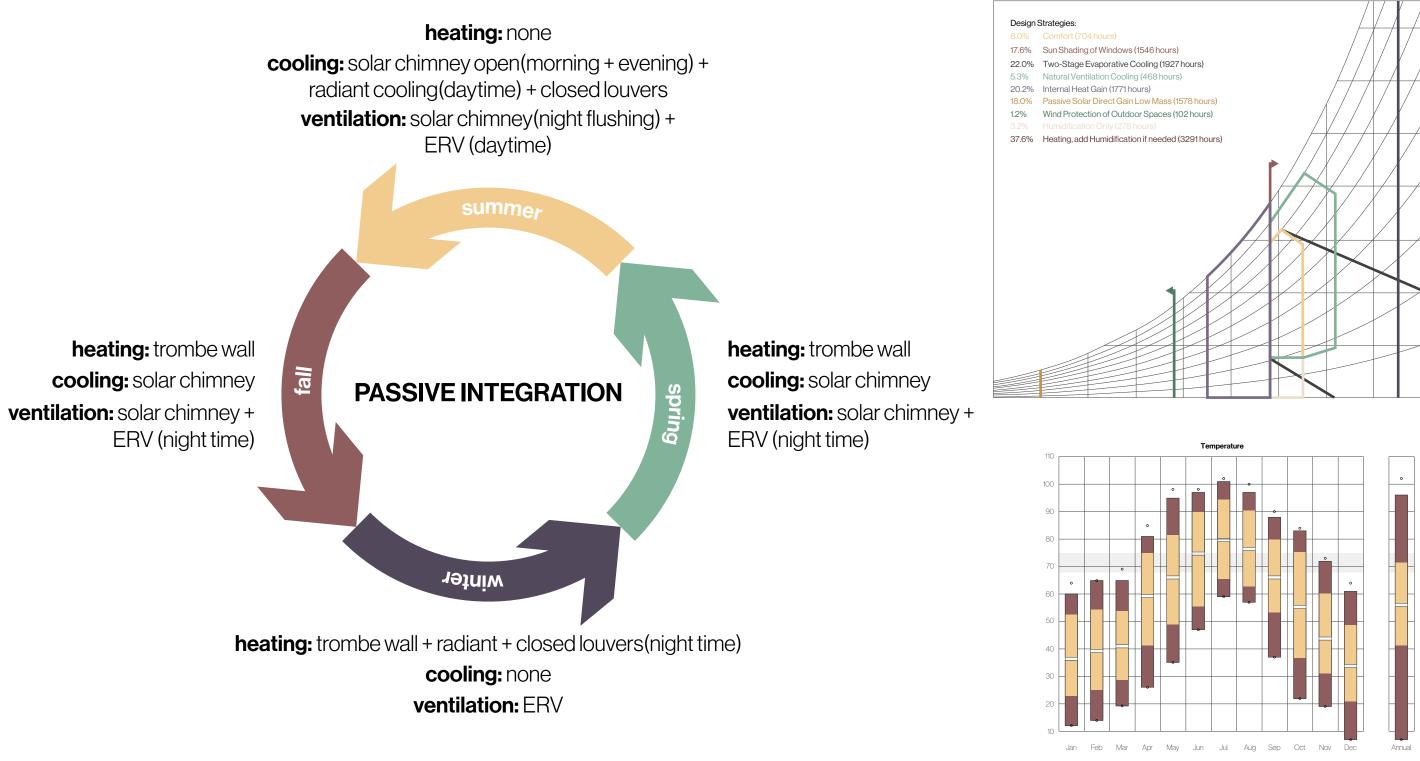
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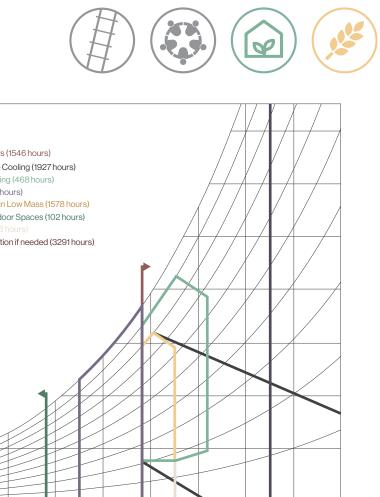
water distribution



Warmboard radiant tubes

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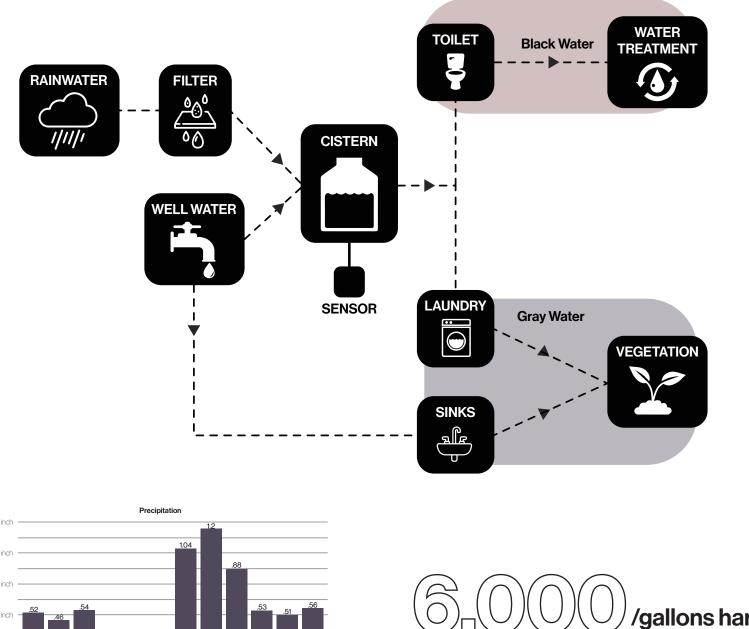




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WATER CONSCIOUSNESS / + plumbing

Water Efficiency Flow Chart.

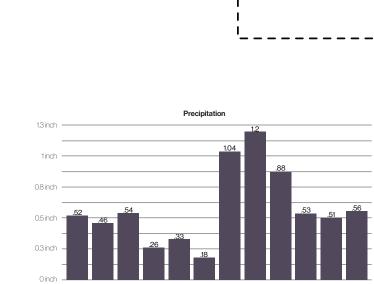


/gallons harvested per unit. 23,000 gallons per cluster.



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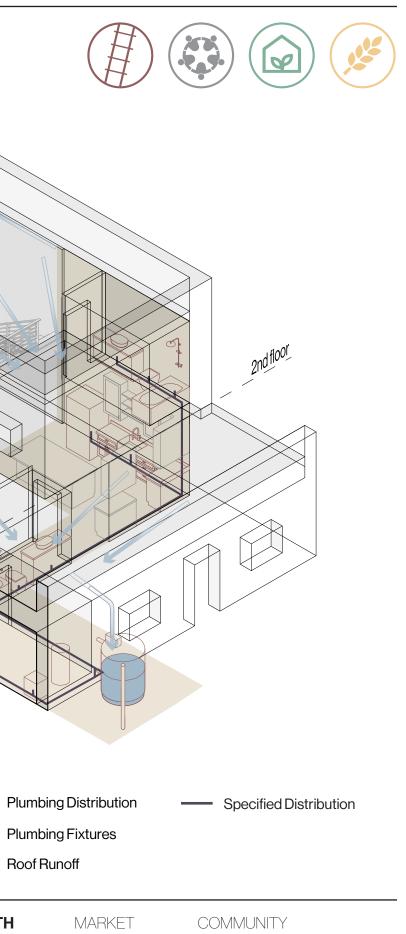


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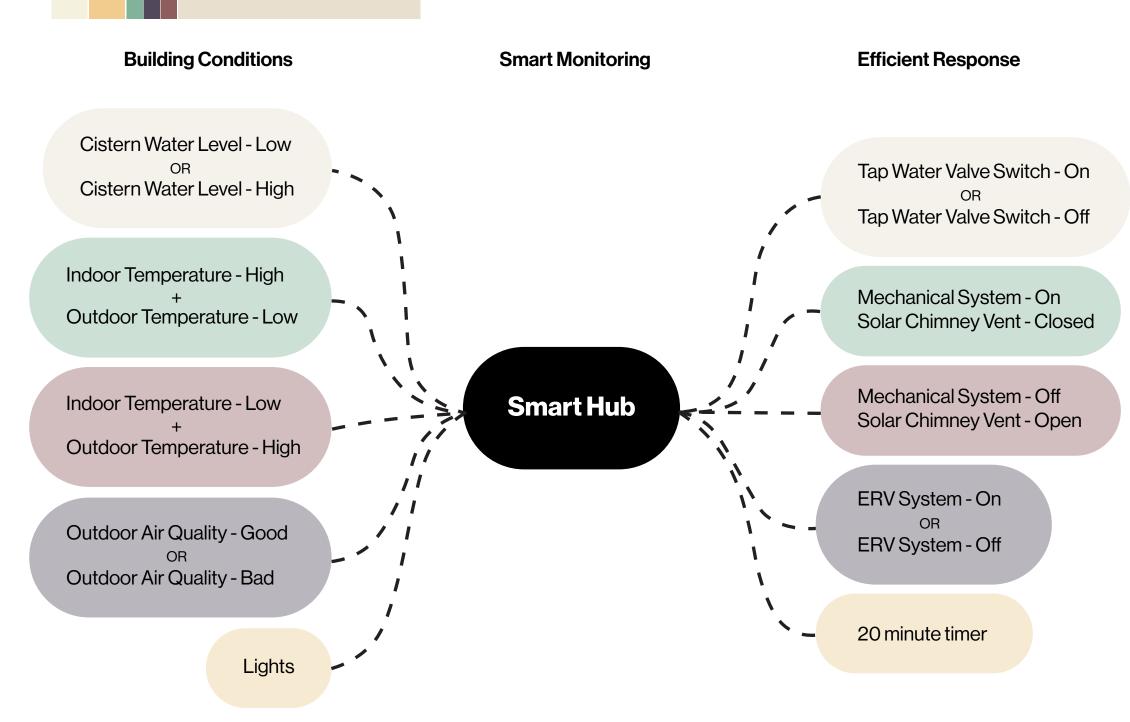
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AUTOMATION / systems efficiency



Systems work best when they are in dialogue with each other. A smart hub coordinates all systems together by monitoring the conditions of the house to efficiently and effectively control energy loads.





Low Flow Faucets



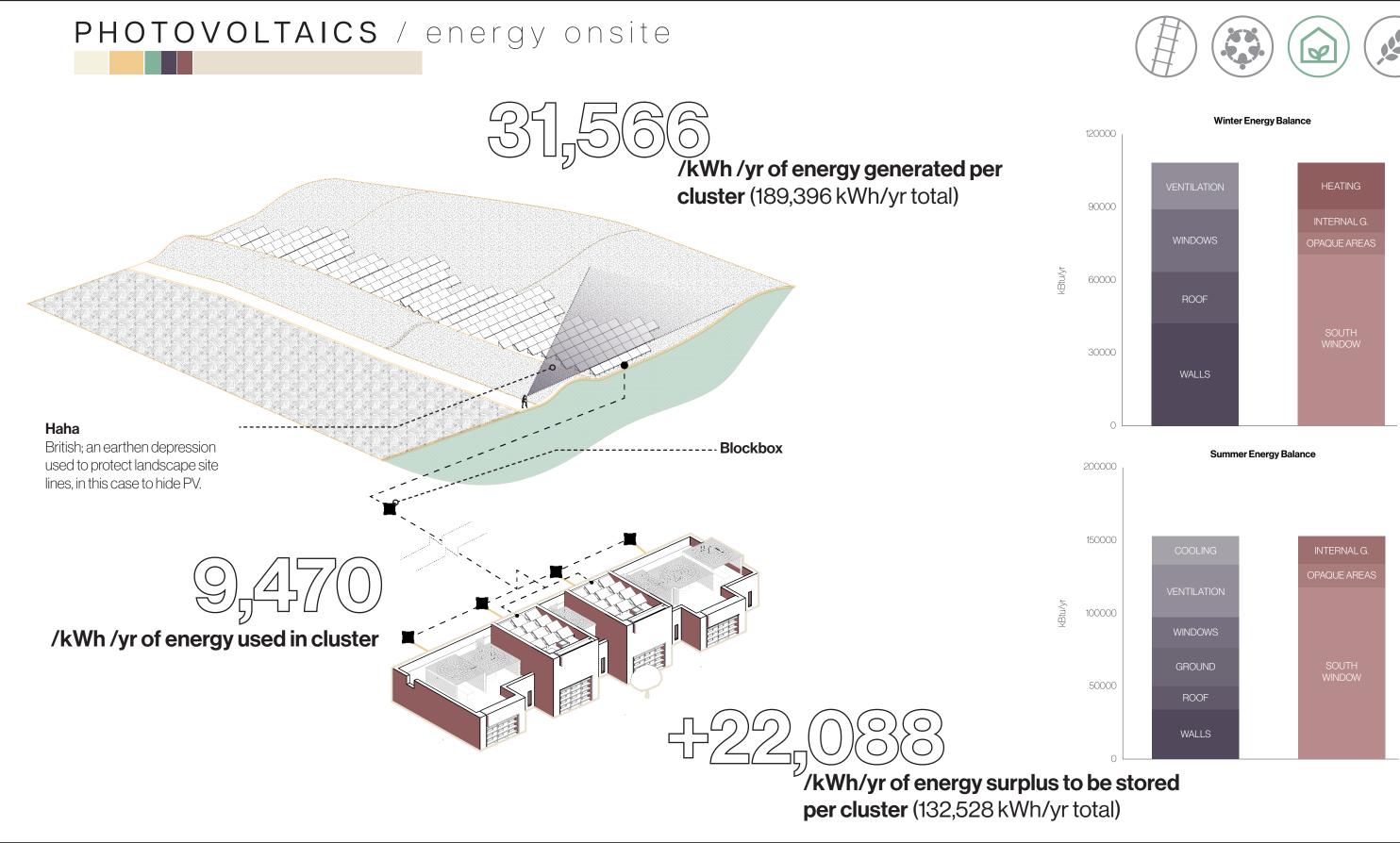
LED Lights



Energy Star Rated Appliances

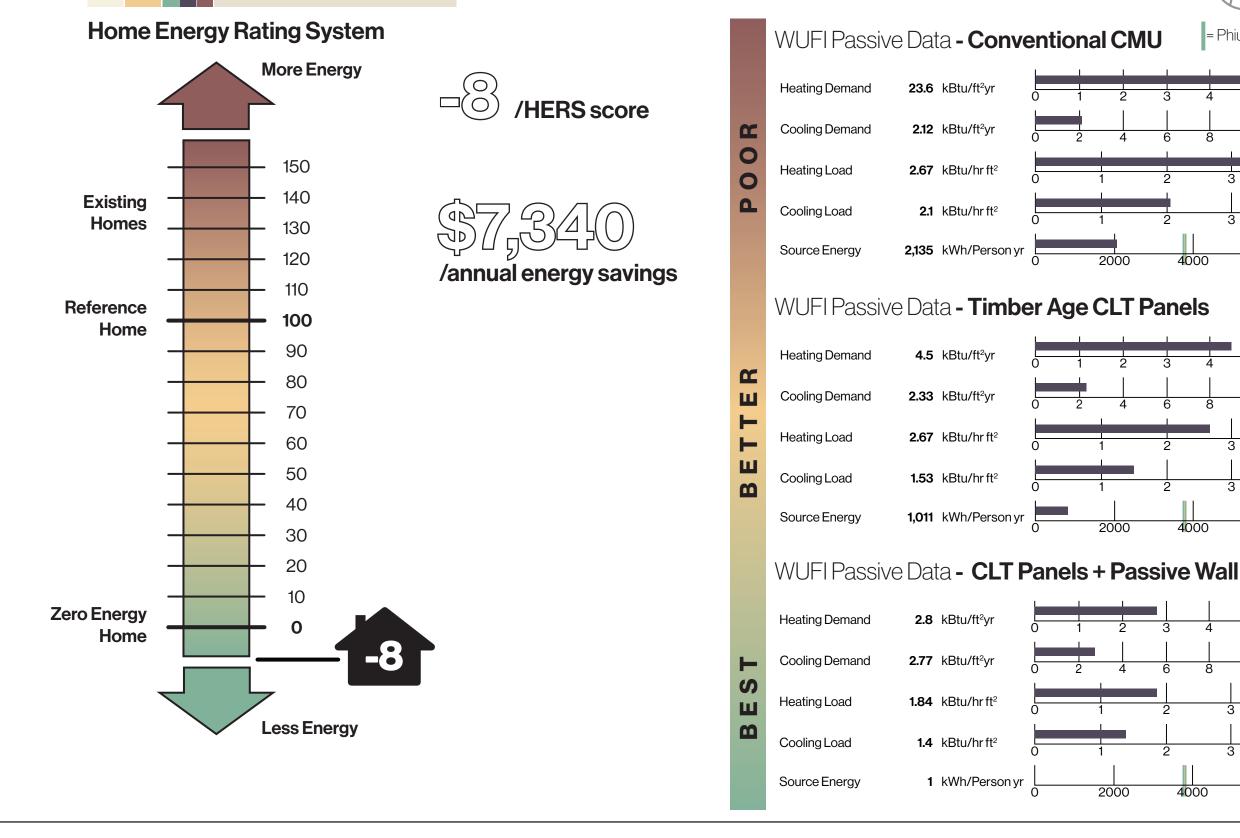


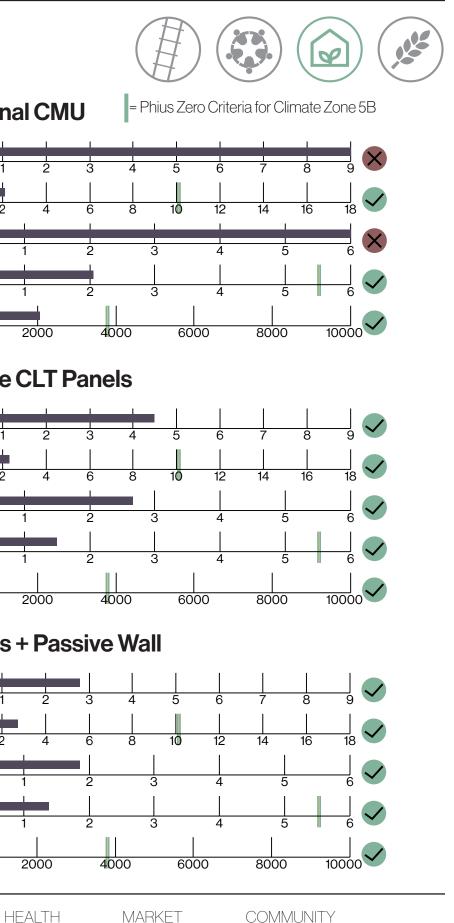
Smart Light Switches



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ENERGY EFFICIENCY / net-zero ready





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- Remote Location away from Sacred Land

- Inclusion of ceremonial community space

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- Low impact, sustainable structural wall panels.

- Water conservation and harvesting.

-Clean Energy

-Food Security through Dry Farming

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- Re-introducing sandstone walls brings back traditional Hopi masonry jobs.

- Pre-fabricated assemblies allows the Hopi to participate in the construction process.

- Block Energy Micro-grid gives energy sovereignty to the Hopi

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- Net-zero condominiums

-Designed appropriately for climate and environment

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