

GRAND FORKS
CHILDREN'S
MUSEUM

Building a Brighter Future



Grand Forks Children's Museum



Mission: Engage minds through play

Vision: Provide a creative space that enriches lives through exploration

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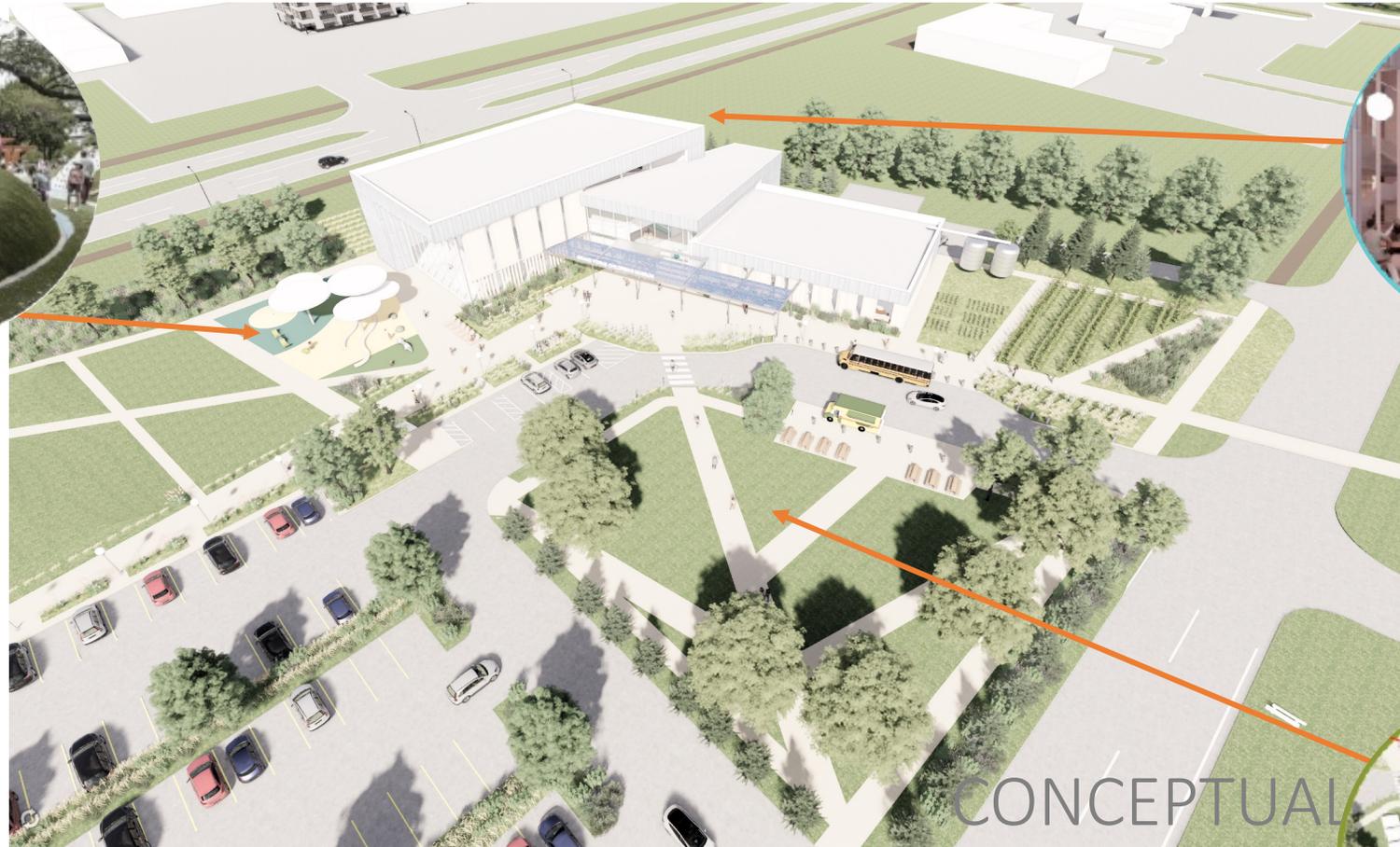
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OUTDOOR
NATURAL
PLAY/EXPLORE
AREA



OUTDOOR LOUNGE
*Yard games,
food/drink, patio*

PLAZA
*Bus drop off, food
truck, outdoor
market, performances*



CONCEPTUAL

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CHILDREN'S GARDEN

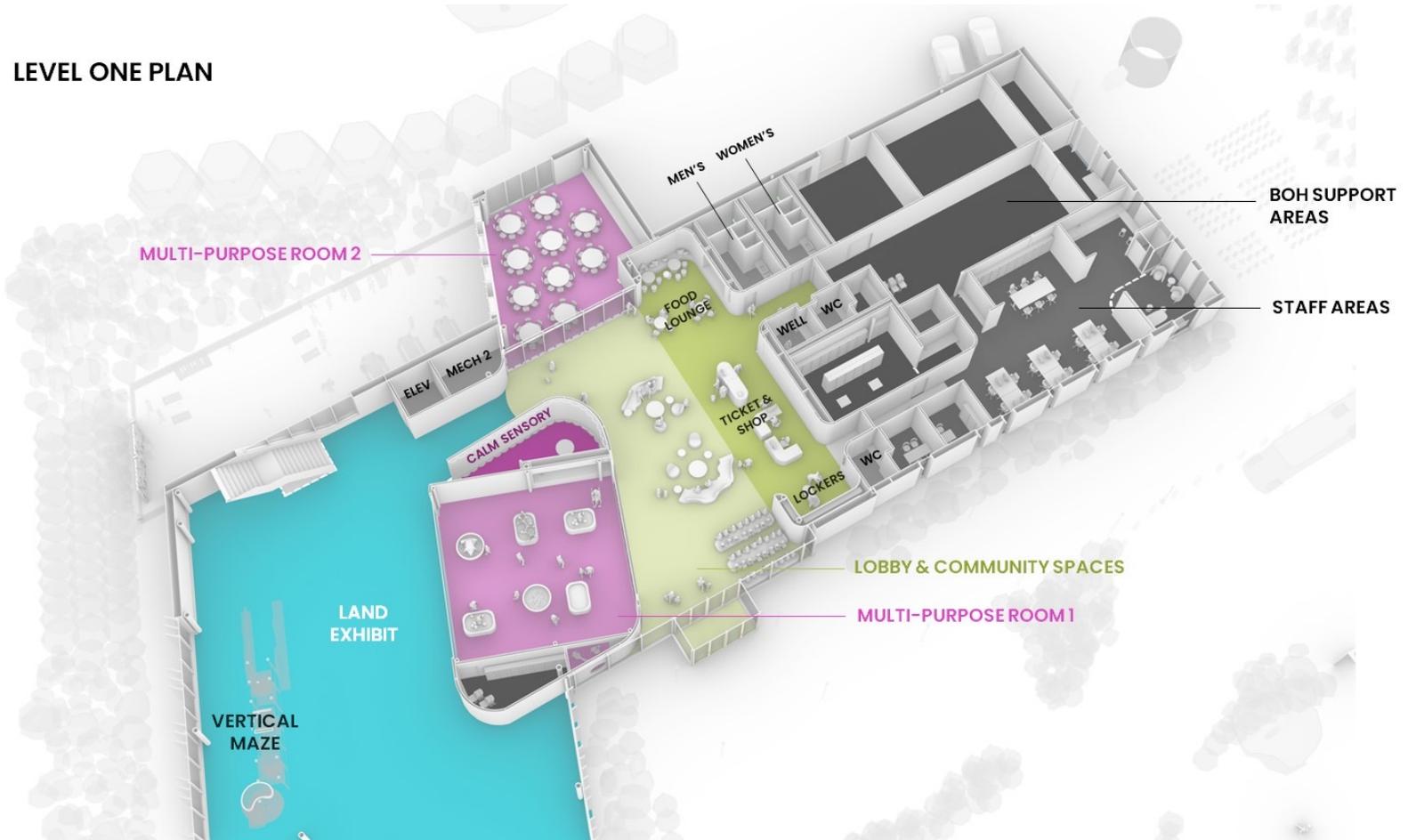


RAINWATER CISTERN

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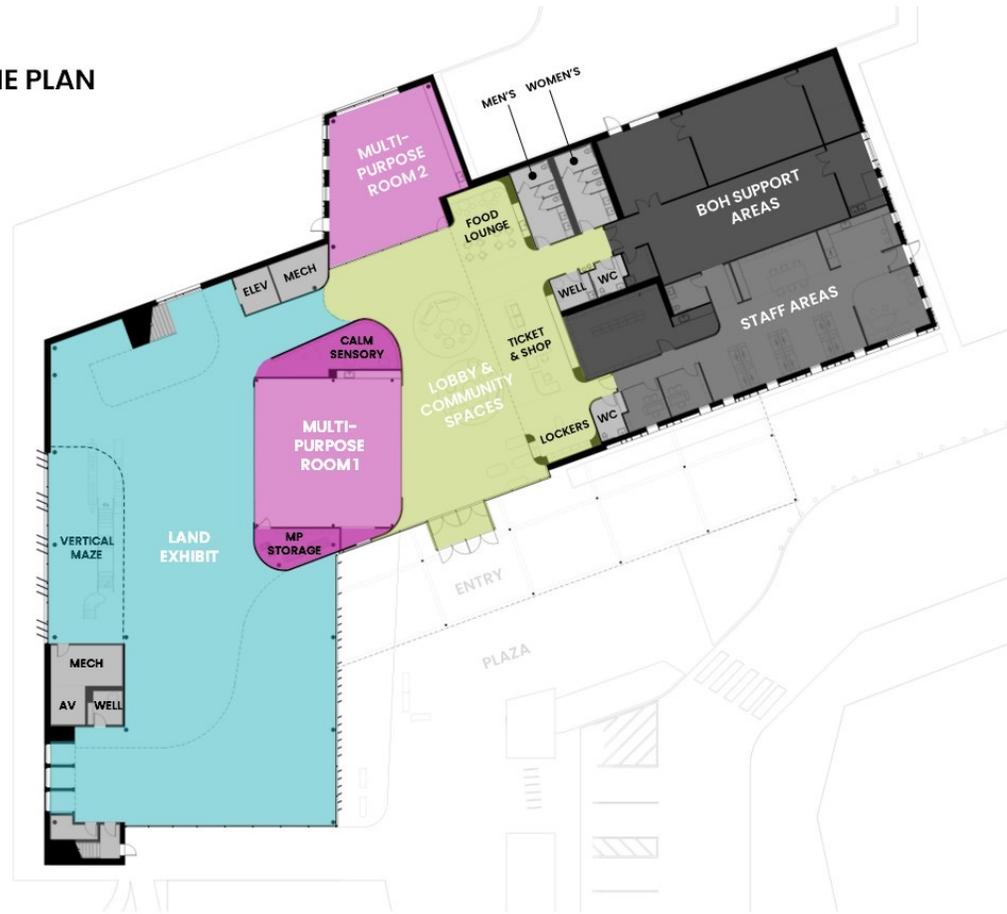


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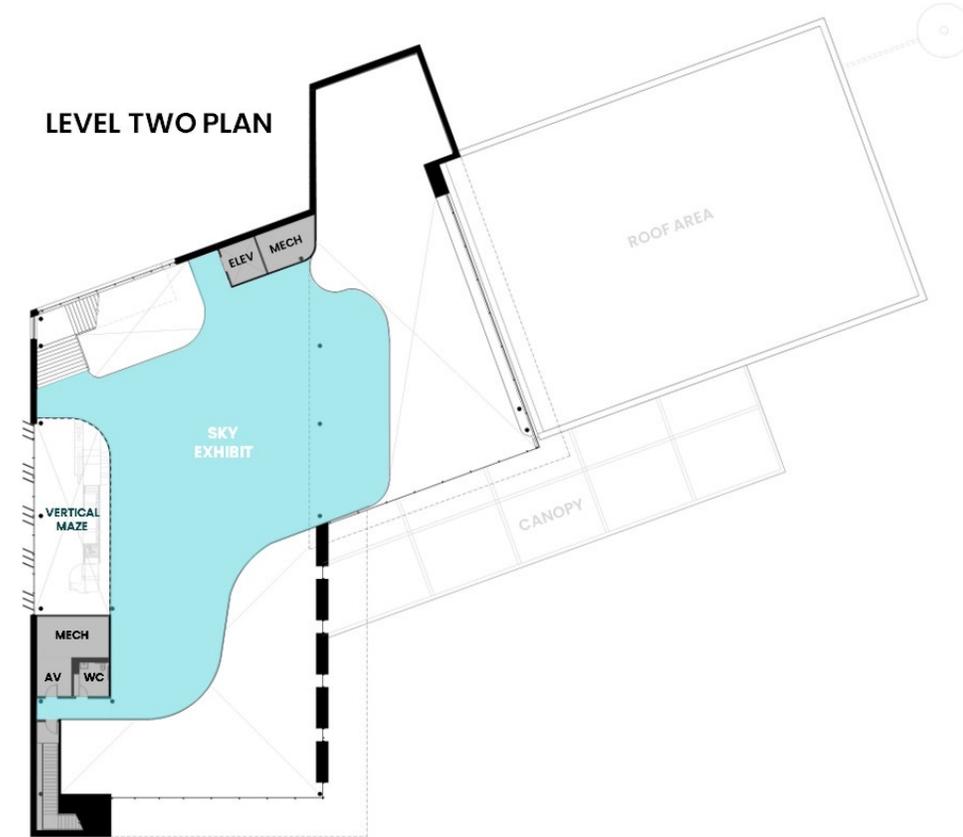
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LEVEL ONE PLAN



LEVEL TWO PLAN



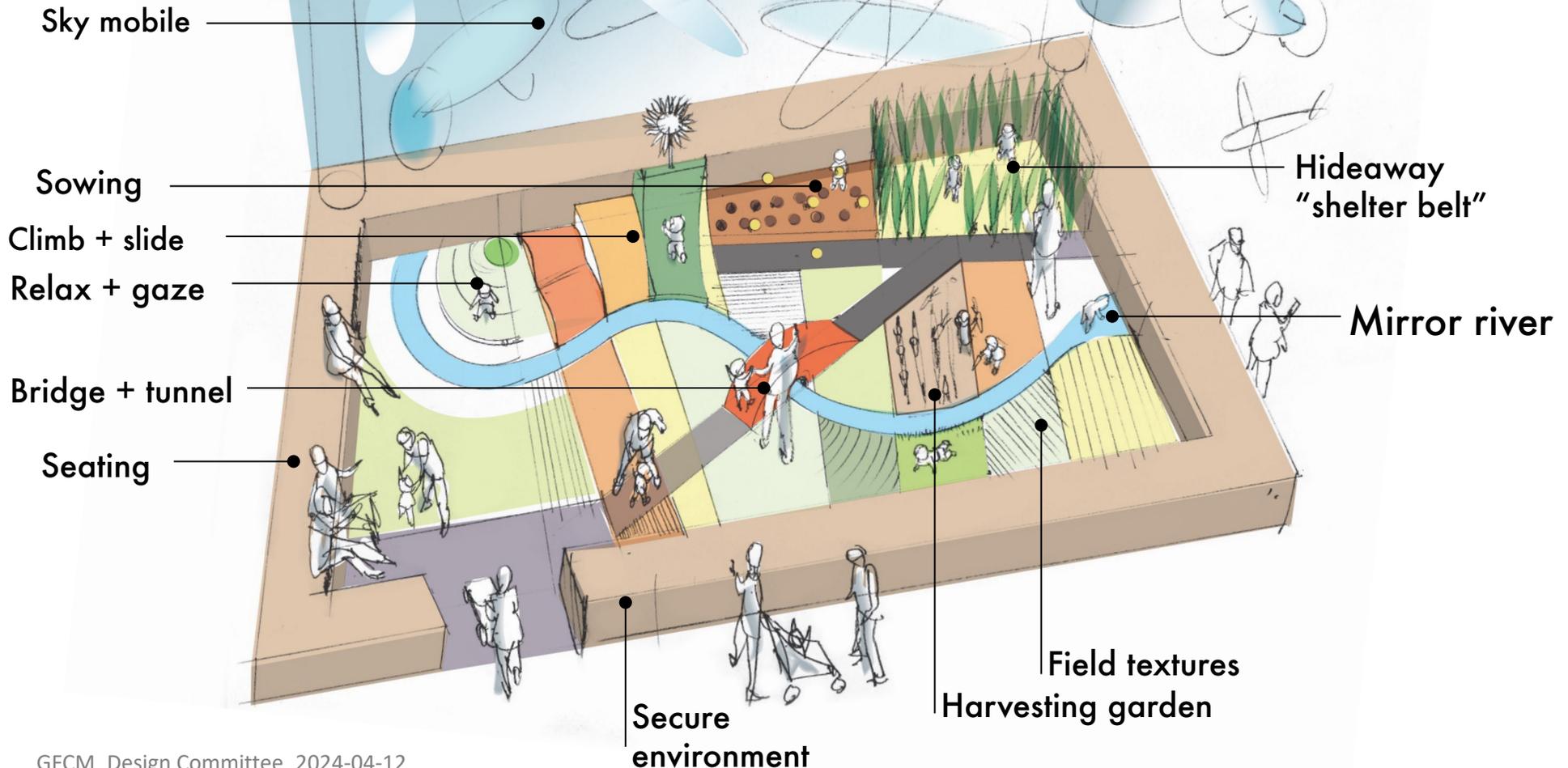
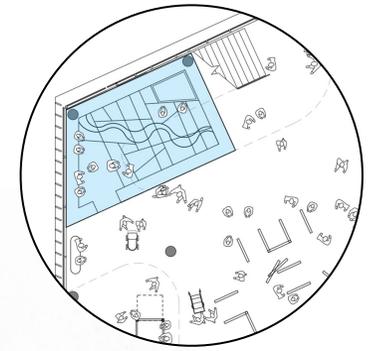
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The power of PLAY! – Land



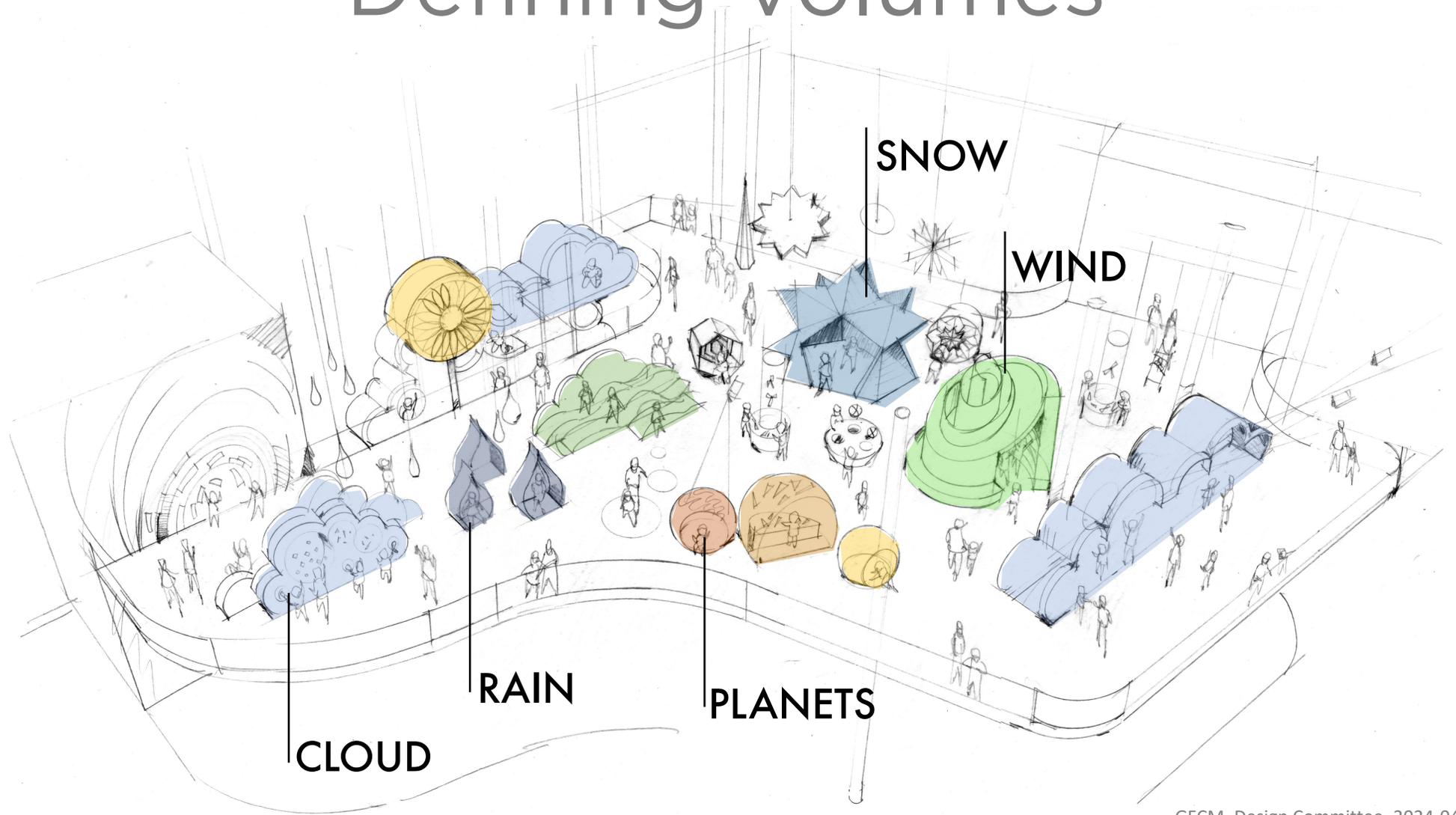
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The power of PLAY! – Sky



The power of PLAY! -Sky Defining Volumes



The power of PLAY! – Grow



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PLAYGROUND PLANNING



4 SEASON
OUTDOOR PLAY

MILESTONES



\$4M LAND DONATION

June 2022 - Altru Health System donates land worth \$4 Million, next to Choice Health & Fitness, for Children's Museum. This secured the location of the museum building and helped earmark the Park District owned land next to the site as the future home of the destination park



MILESTONES

NORTH Dakota

\$5M GRANT SUPPORT

May 2023 - \$5 Million from State of ND Legislature

The funds will assist in helping with building construction costs. We are extremely thankful and plan to leverage the financial impact by utilizing the state funding as a catalyst to secure private match-funding support



\$10M COMMITMENT

September 2023 - Grand Forks City Council made \$10 Million commitment over 10 yrs.

Funding stems from a Quality-of-Life initiative, future economic development, and beautification of Grand Forks

Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead

October 1 – 9 , 2023 @ Grand Forks Curling Club

2nd Annual Pop-Up Museum, 8-Day Hands-On Learning Event

- 8,000 Attendees
- 100 Volunteers
- 68 School classrooms / 1,600 children
- Participating Schools: *Grand Forks, Cavalier, Lakota, Warren, Alvarado, Oslo, Valley Edinburg, & Crookston*

Exhibit Stations: *Builders Land, Motion Land, Maze Land, Quilter's Corner, Imagination Playground, Paleontologist Dig, Earth Systems, 4-H Binary Code Station, and a Music Station*

Hands-On Programs: *Musical Instruments, Beading, Wall Art, Airplane Making/Launching Pad, Magna Tiles, Legos, Logic Puzzles, and a Life-size Cardboard Maze*



SAVE THE DATE | October 1 – 9 , 2024

CONSTRUCTION



**Project Scope and
Programming**

2023

**Schematic
Design**

Feb-May 2024

**Design Development
& Construction
Documents**

June-Sep | Oct-Feb
2024

**Bidding and
Construction**

Q1-Q2 2025

20 months of
construction
+ exhibit install

Q1 2027



2023 EVENTS



TOM BROSSSEAU & FRIENDS CONCERT

March 26 @ Empire Arts Center

\$30,000 Raised at Charity Music Concert featuring Tom Brosseau; John C. Reilly; The Waddington Brothers; John Lardinois; Bob Cary; Heidi Gluck; Tamara Bertram; and Terry Dullum



OXFORD REALTY GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 20 @ King's Walk Golf Course
\$12,000 Raised at First Annual Golf Fundraiser
Organized & Sponsored by Oxford Realty



TAG: THE ART OF GIVING

September 22 @ Curling Club
\$88,000 Raised at Annual Art Exhibit & Auction

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Future



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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN BY THE NUMBERS

As of March 31, 2024



28,000 SF OF EXPLORATION

The GF Children's Museum will be housed in an iconic location along South Washington Street next to Choice Health & Fitness.



UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 12-14
ARTWISE ANNUAL
STUDENT ART SHOW
COLUMBIA MALL

APRIL 13
TOM BROUSSEAU
AND FRIENDS
EMPIRE ARTS CENTER 7:30-9 PM

APRIL 20
HANDS ON
LEARNING FAIR
PURPUR ARENA 10-2 PM

JUNE 8-9
ARTFEST
UNIVERSITY PARK

JULY 4
GRAND FORKS
JULY 4TH CELEBRATION
SERTOMA PARK

AUG 23-24
DOWNTOWN
STREET FAIR
DOWNTOWN GRAND FORKS

OCT 2024
FULL STEAM AHEAD
GRAND FORKS CURLING CLUB

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



KATIE MAYER

- Born/Raised in Grand Forks
- Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education
- Master's Degree in Education Leadership for Elementary and Secondary Education
- 12 Years Experience Working in Public School System as a Para, Kindergarten Teacher, and in Curriculum Technology
- 8 Years as Principal of Holy Family St. Mary's Catholic School
- Extensive Fundraising Experience

2024 GOALS

SECURE FUNDS

\$20M in Donations

(Cash Donations, Pledges, Grants, In-Kind Gifts, Planned Gifts, Stock, IRAs, Endowments, Etc.)

COMPLETE PLANNING PHASE

Finalize Building Design

Finalize Exhibit Design

Finalize Park & Playground Design

CONTINUE COMMUNITY OUTREACH

April 13| Tom Brosseau & Friends

April 12-14 | Artwise Student Art Show

April 20| Hands On Learning Fair

June 8 - 9 | ArtFest

July 4 | Sertoma 4th of July

August 23 - 24 | GF Downtown Street Fair

October 1-9 | Full STEAM Ahead

THANK YOU

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