A NEW PHASE OF AGING

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Thesis:

How can reprogramming an underutilized building provide healthy and positive lifestyles for the aging population?

Inspiration



GOAL:

Re-imagination of an underutilized mall to provide a space for aging in place and engagement within society for the seniors in the community.

TYPOLOGY:

Independent and Assisted Senior Living Community

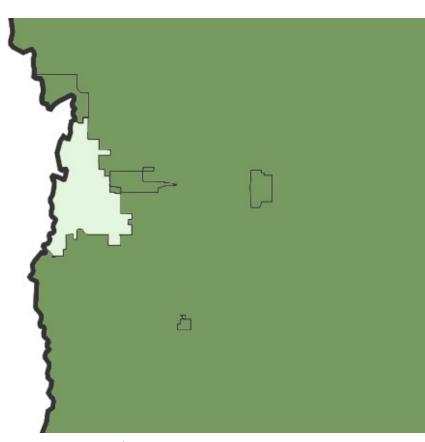
JUSTIFICATION:

- Demand
- Longevity of Life
- Redefining Age

The Site



REGION | MIDWEST, UNITED STATES



CITY | MOORHEAD, MINNESOTA



SITE | MOORHEAD CENTER MALL



















South



East



West



Biking/ Walking Trails



MAT Bus Stops



Existing Parking Ramp



Red River

Research

Baby Boomers

"A person born in the U.S. following the end of World War II (usually considered to be in the years from 1946 to 1964)"

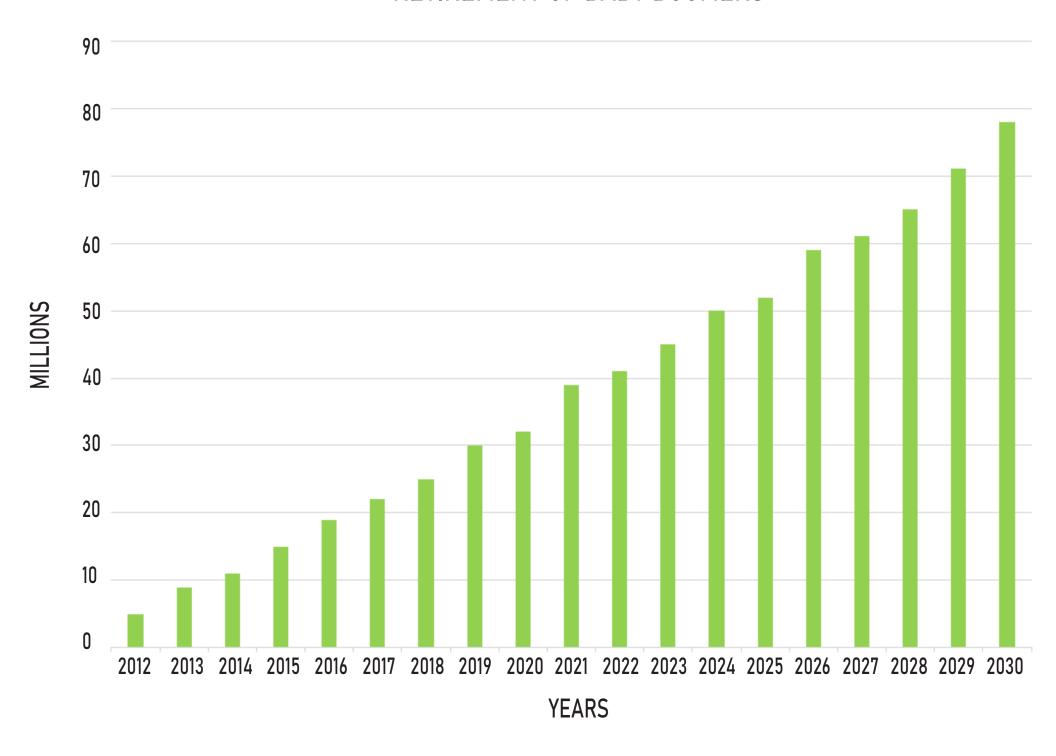
- Merriam Webster Dictionary

Aging in Place

"Allows residents the opportunity to remain in the living communities as they age and adapt to the needs and abilities of the individual."

- The History of Senior Care

RETIREMENT OF BABY BOOMERS



Needs of the Aging Population:

- Connection with Nature
- -Sense of Independence
- Physical Participation
 - Sense of Purpose
- New Experiences and Knowledge
 - Sense of Belonging
- Engagement & Connection with Society

Process



Community

A sense of neighborhood is created by including spaces to gather and socialize around the site for residents and non-residents to enjoy.

Independence

Residents feel a sense of freedom and comfort with the transitional design elements implemented for aging in place.





Healthy Living

The program encourages exercise of one's mind and body with access to a variety of activities within the building.

Accessibility

Safety and convenience for the users is integrated into the design of the building and site.





Engagement

Intimate spaces throughout the building foster a connection between residents and non-residents.

Mindset

The building allows the mentality of aging to be transition into a favorable chapter of life.



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Existing vs. New



Existing South Elevation



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Existing North Elevation

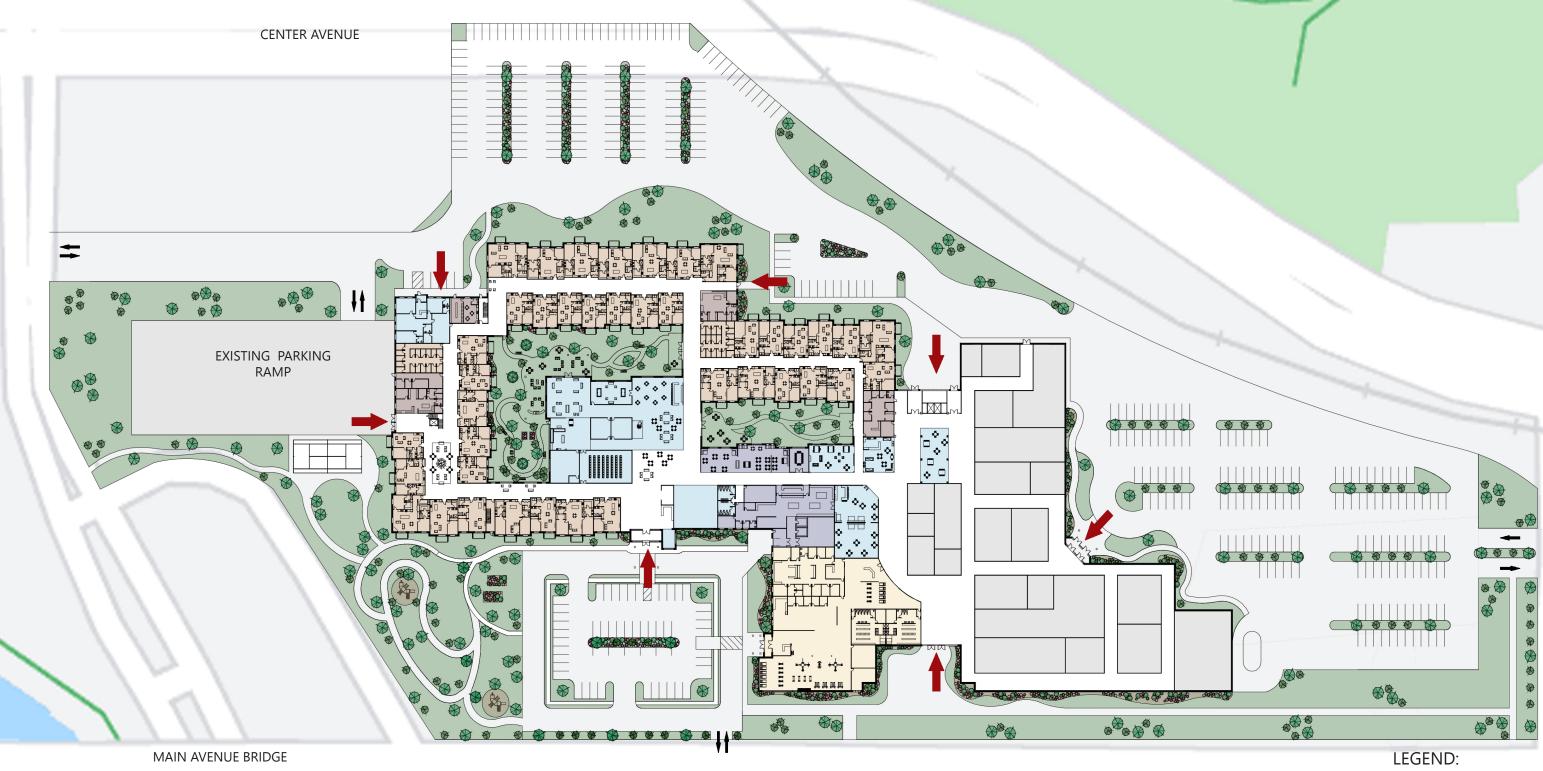


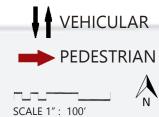
North Elevation

Site & First Floor



Circulation





Residential







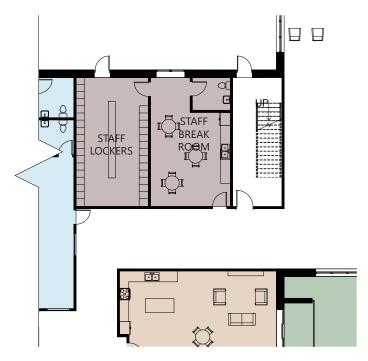


Administration

1) Main Administration

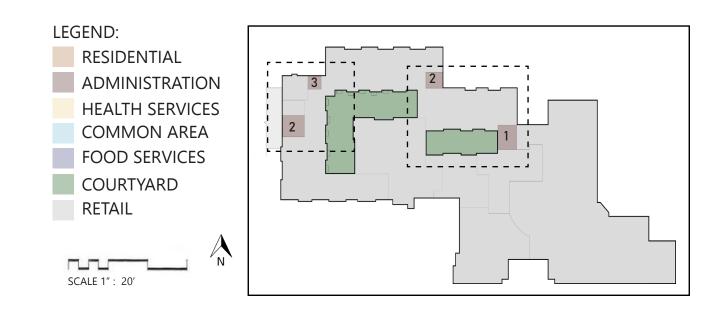


3) Staff Area



2) Nurse Station

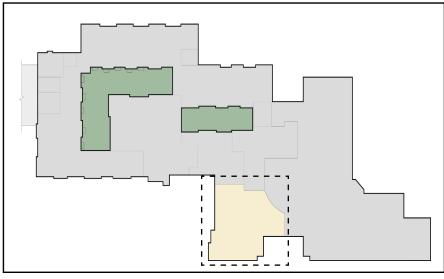


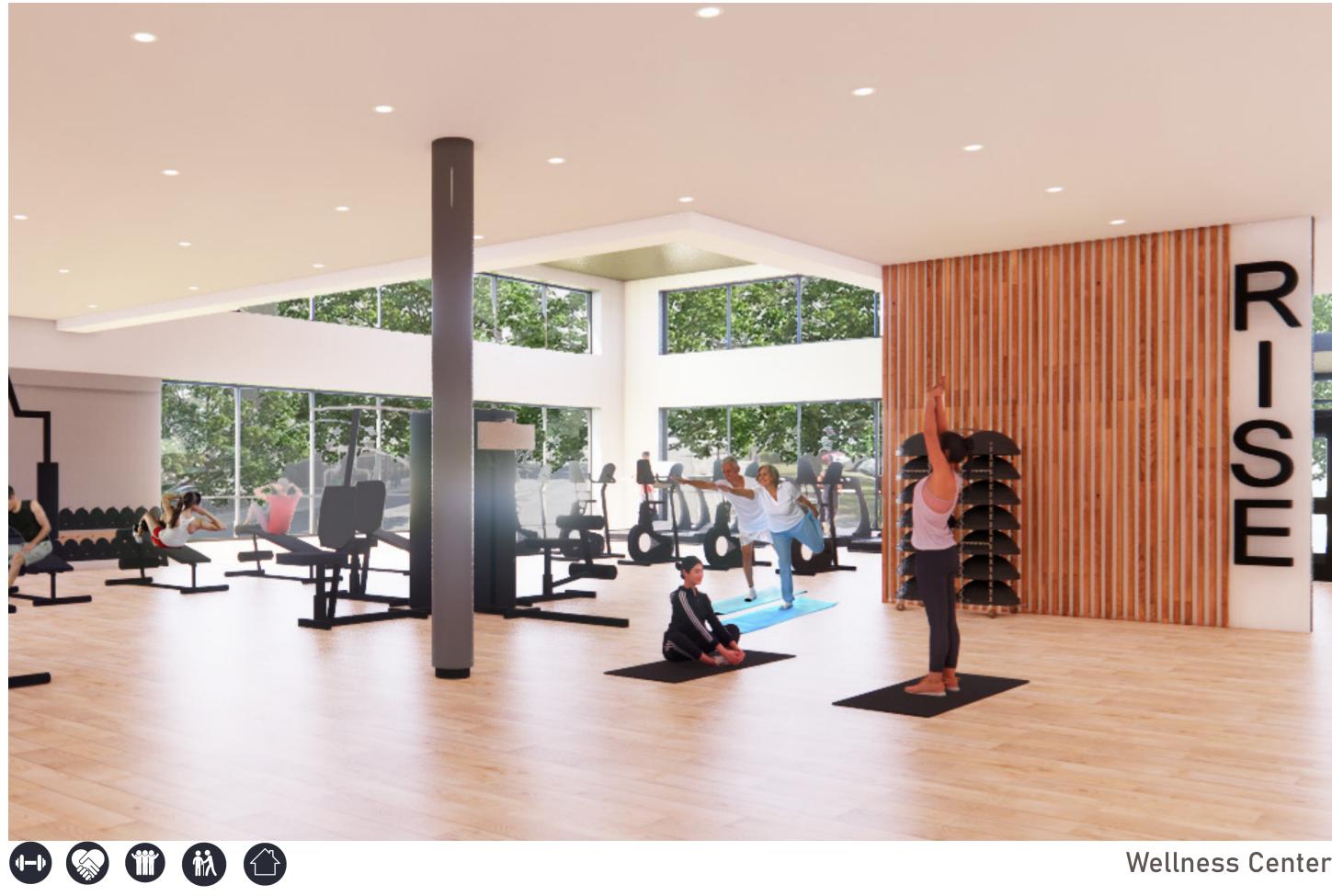


Health Services













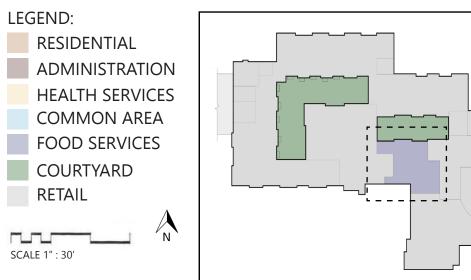






Food Services





Common Space















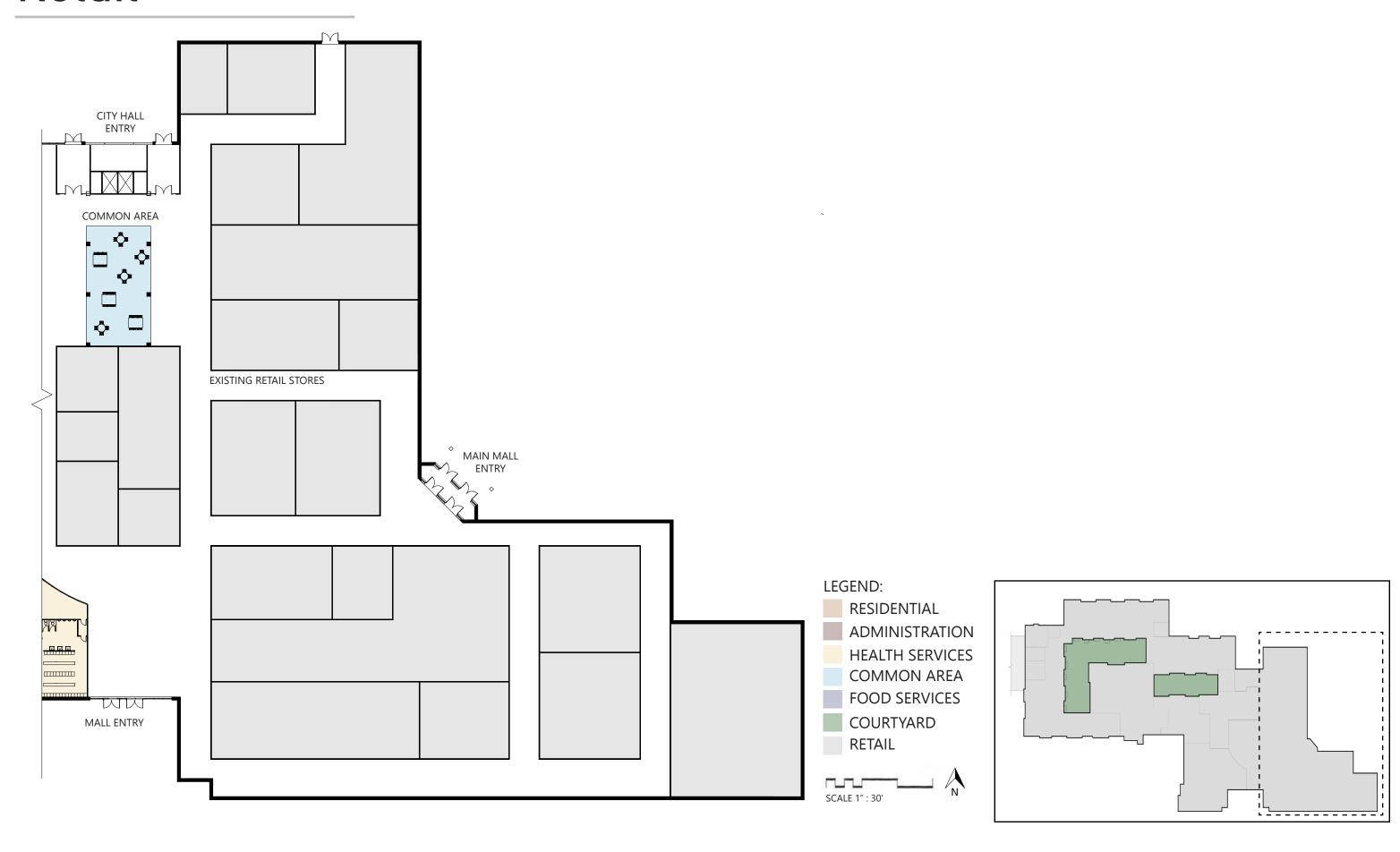




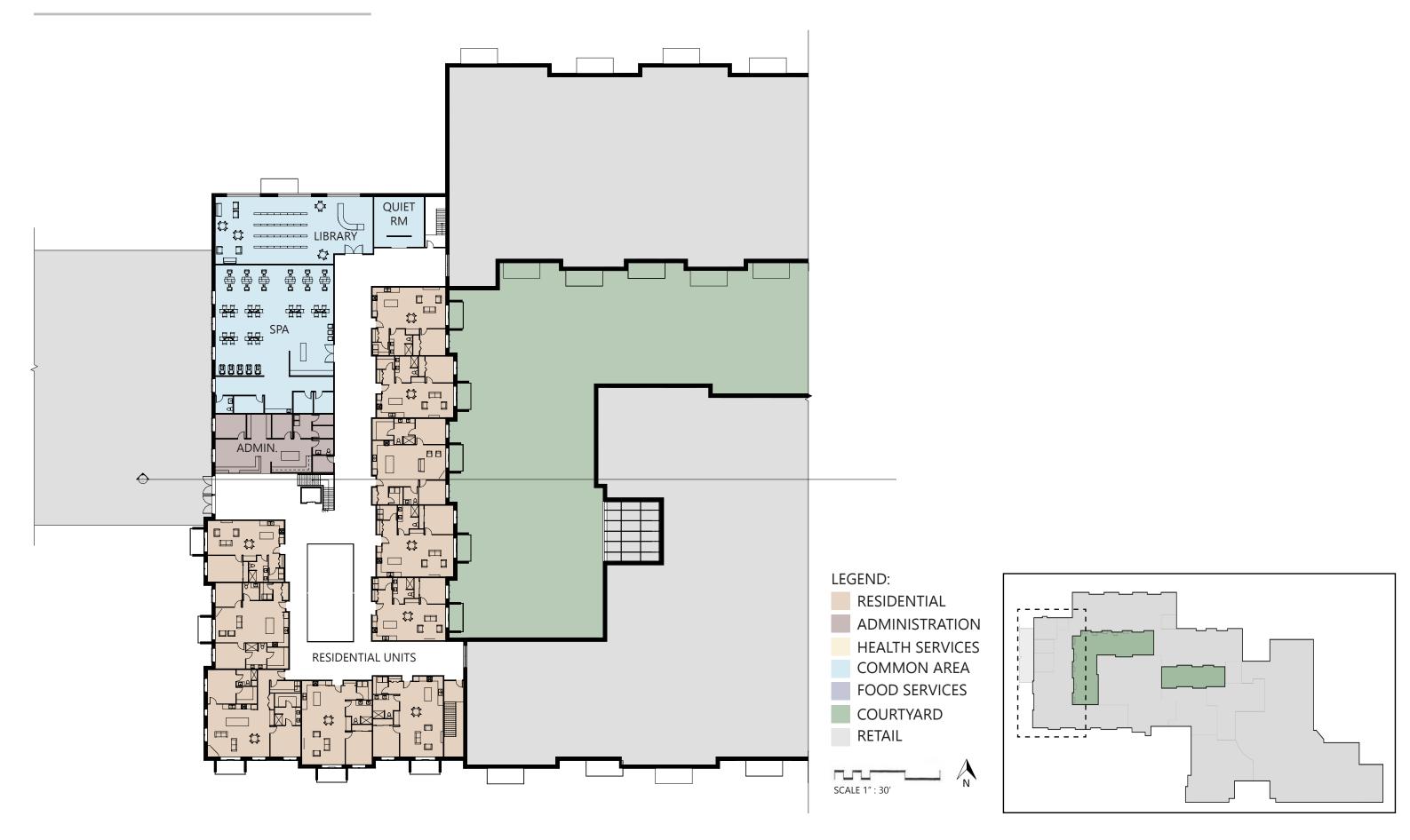




Retail

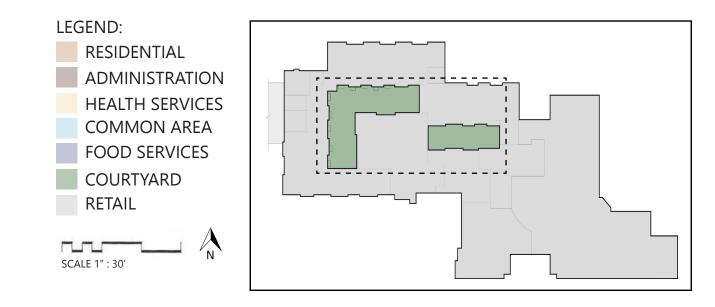


Second Floor



Courtyards





Section Cut















