



Ogden Ave/North Lawndale Community Roundtable

October 25th, 2021

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1. Introductions
2. Ogden Commons – Children’s Discovery Center
3. Altenheim/Lawndale Line Planning Study – Update

Children's Discovery Museum

Ogden Commons

Children's Discovery Center

Centro de Descubrimiento Infantil

Preliminary Concept Design | 05.20.2021



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The Neighborhood

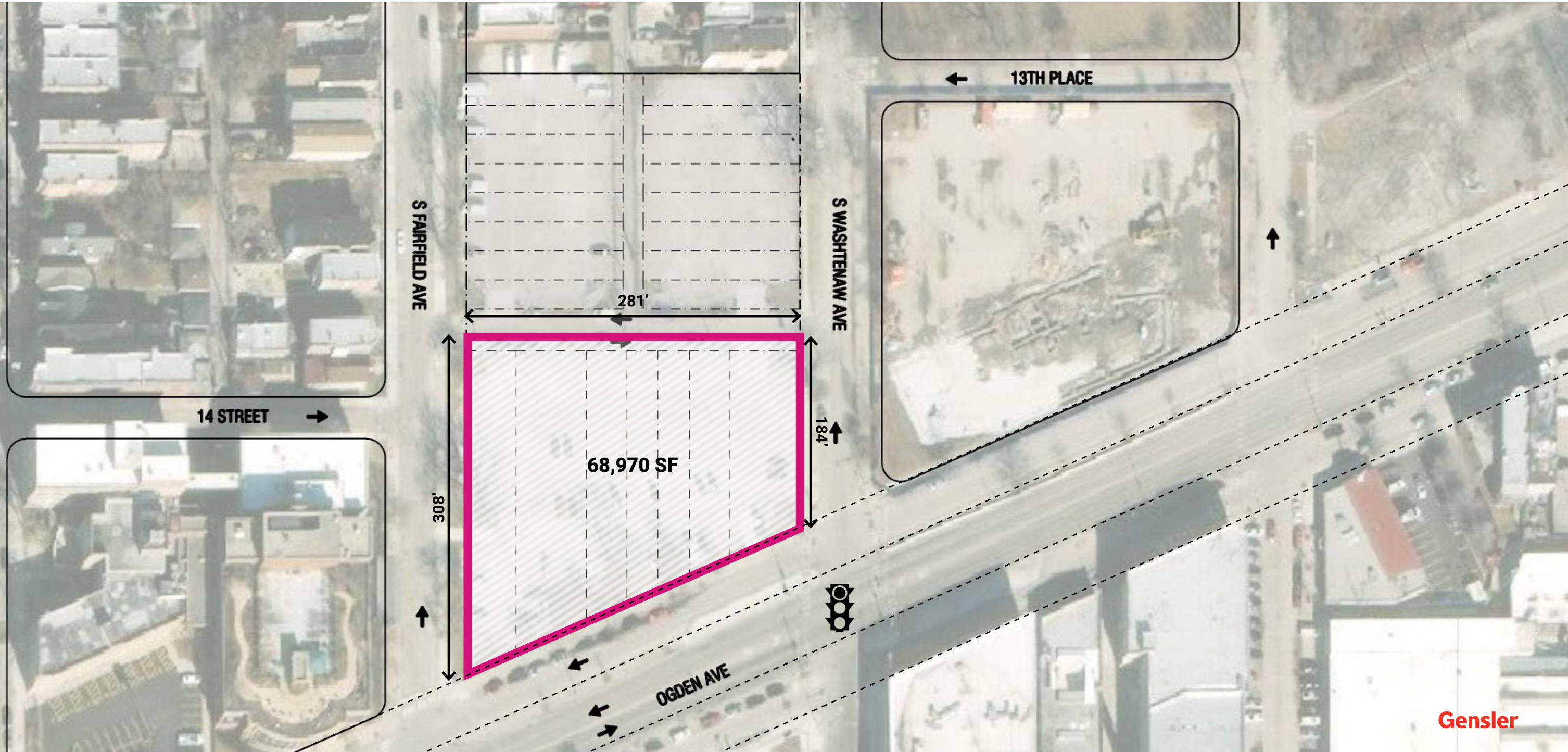
El Vecindario

Lawndale

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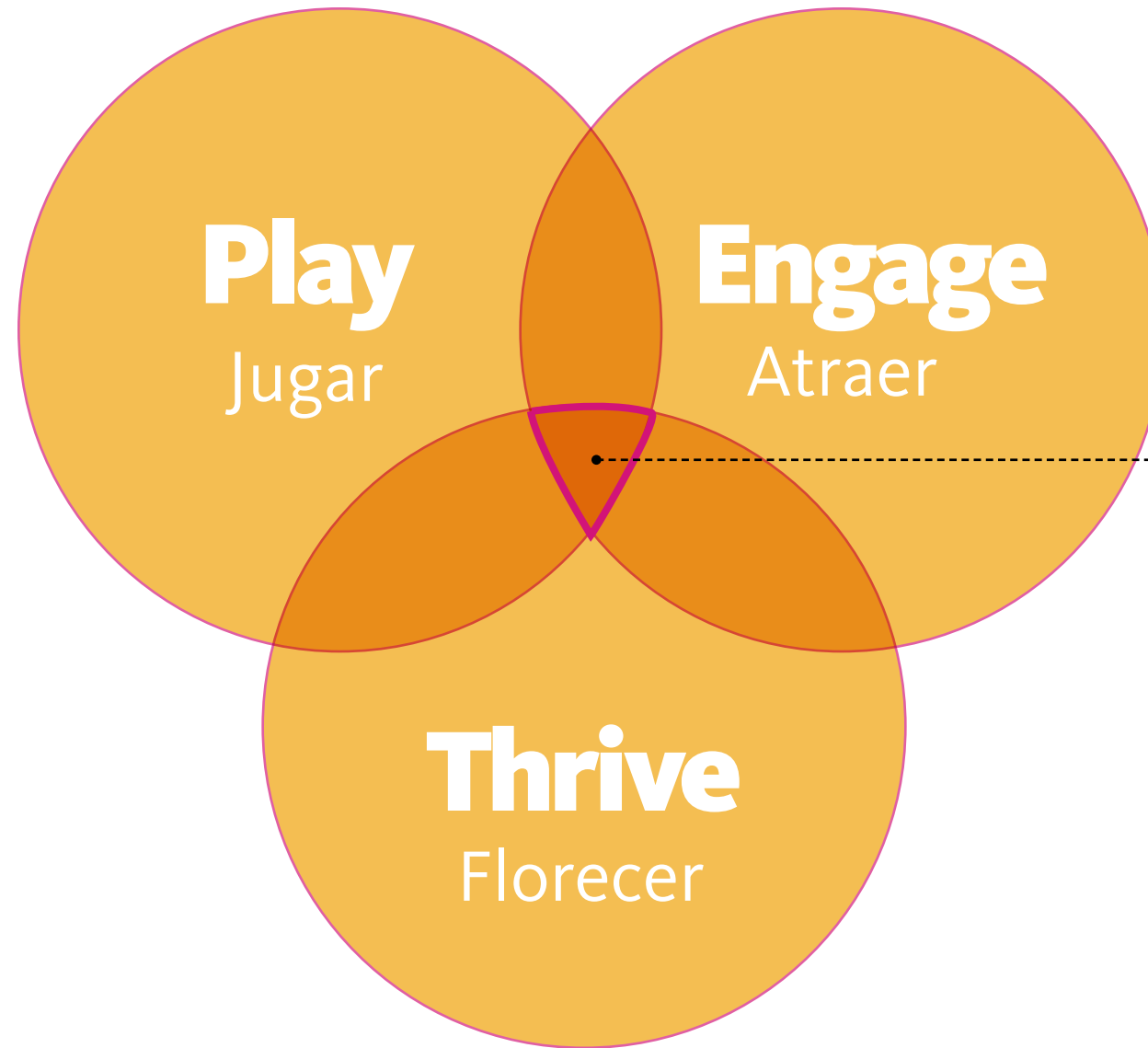
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Key Drivers

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Children's DISCOVERY CENTER
Centro de Descubrimiento Infantil

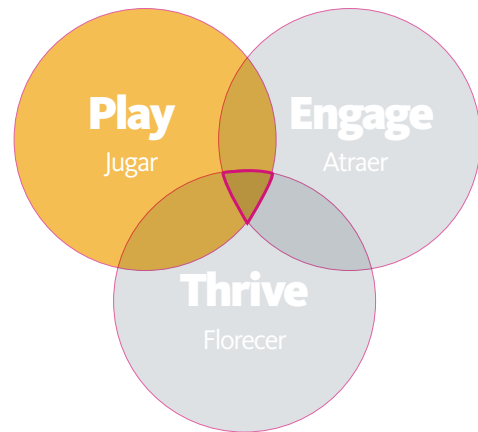
Key Drivers | Play

Play is a right not a privilege.

It is the driving force of all development – social, cognitive, physical and emotional – from birth through the preschool years. As children mature, their play becomes more elaborate. Play is about time. It's about opportunity. It's about exploration. The Discovery Center offers all three!

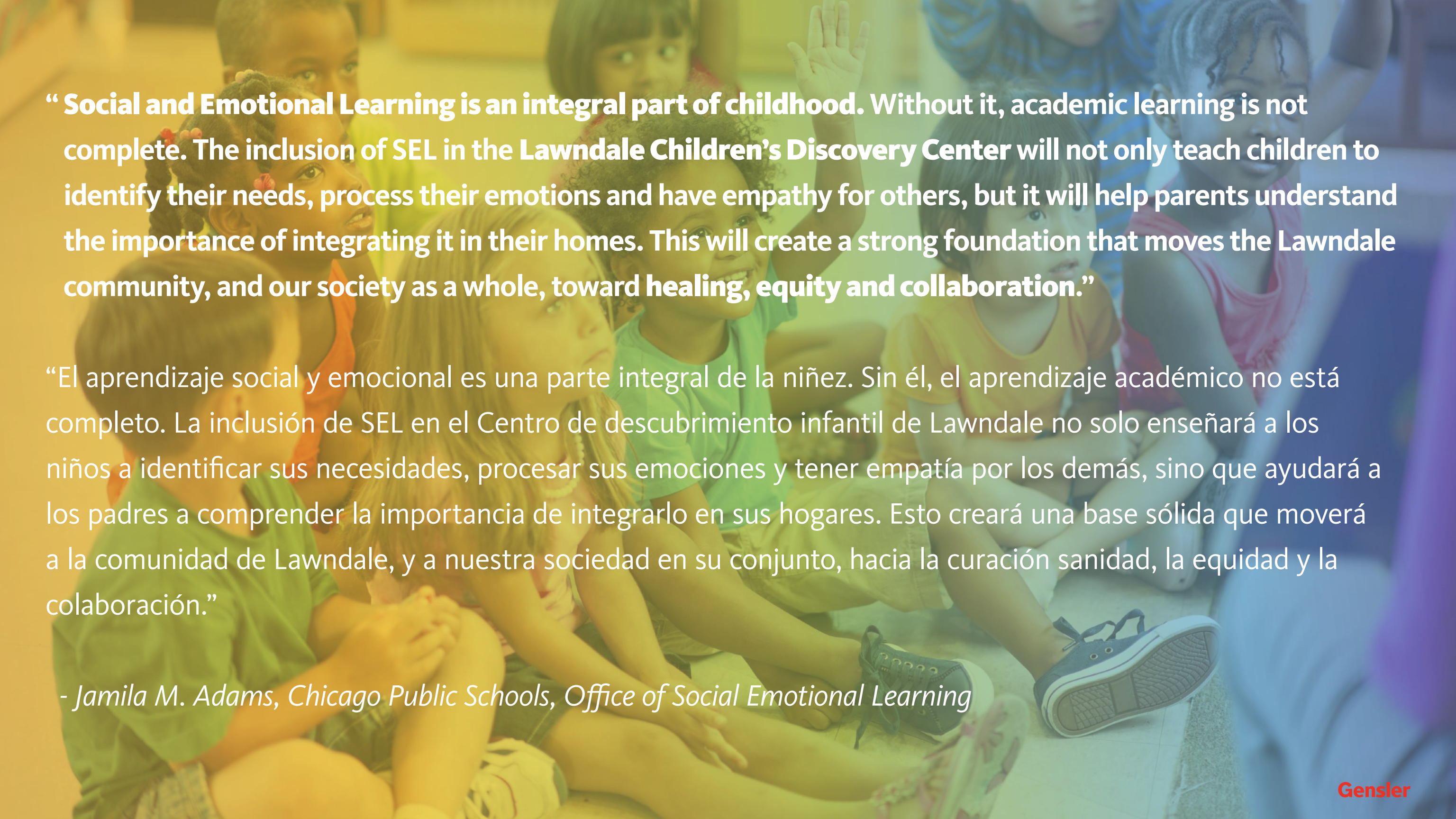
Jugar es un derecho, no un privilegio.

Es la fuerza que impulsa todo el desarrollo - social, cognitivo, físico y emocional - desde el nacimiento hasta los años preescolares. A medida que los niños maduran, su juego se vuelve más elaborado. Jugar es acerca del tiempo. Se trata de oportunidades. Se trata de exploración. ¡El Centro de Descubrimiento ofrece los tres!



When young children play, they are demonstrating their understanding of the world, an understanding they cannot yet express verbally.

Cuando los niños pequeños juegan, están demostrando su comprensión del mundo, una comprensión que aún no pueden expresar verbalmente.



“ Social and Emotional Learning is an integral part of childhood. Without it, academic learning is not complete. The inclusion of SEL in the Lawndale Children’s Discovery Center will not only teach children to identify their needs, process their emotions and have empathy for others, but it will help parents understand the importance of integrating it in their homes. This will create a strong foundation that moves the Lawndale community, and our society as a whole, toward healing, equity and collaboration.”

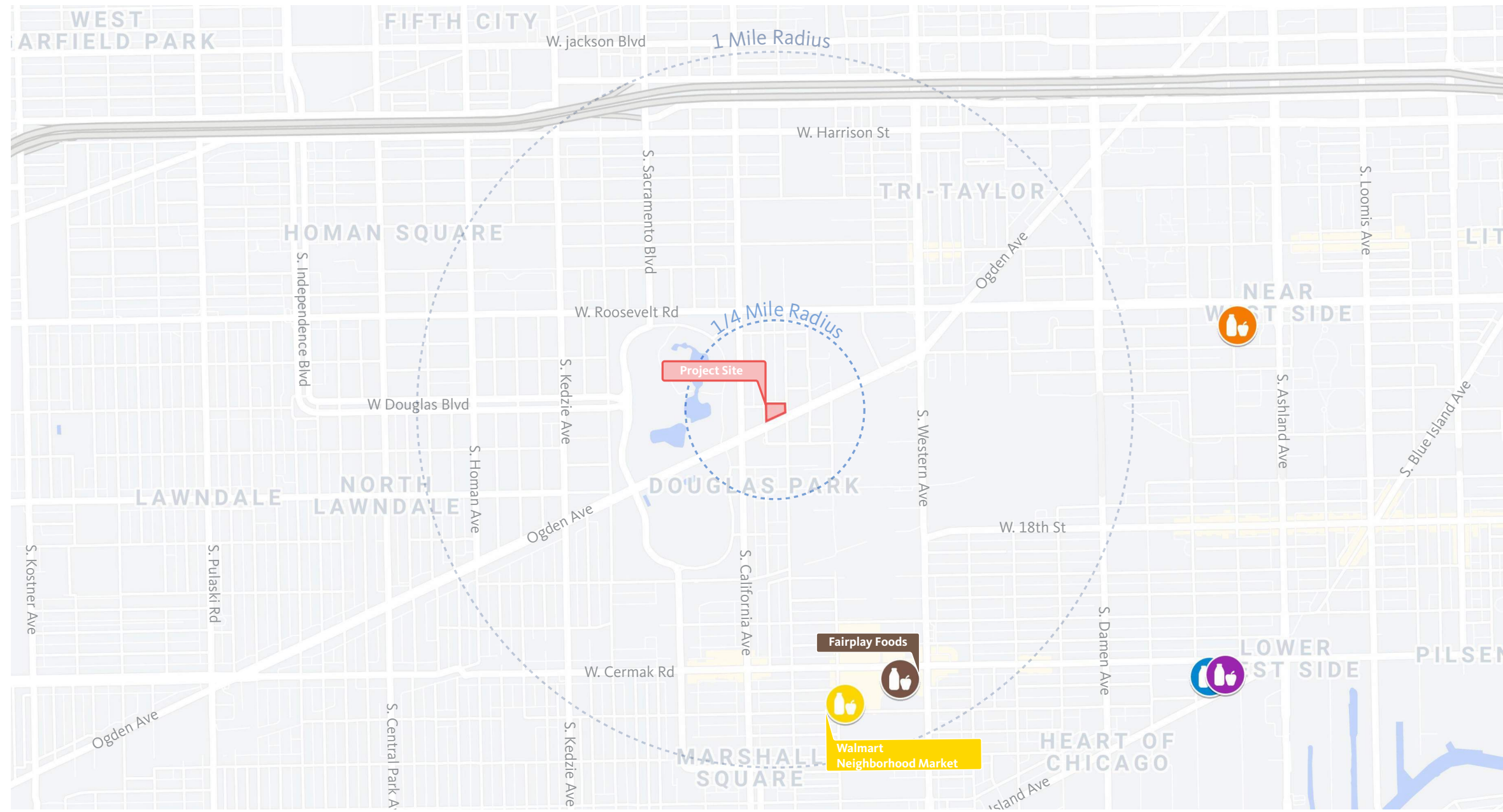
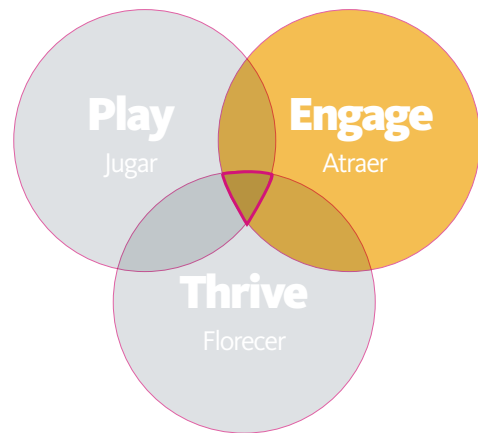
“El aprendizaje social y emocional es una parte integral de la niñez. Sin él, el aprendizaje académico no está completo. La inclusión de SEL en el Centro de descubrimiento infantil de Lawndale no solo enseñará a los niños a identificar sus necesidades, procesar sus emociones y tener empatía por los demás, sino que ayudará a los padres a comprender la importancia de integrarlo en sus hogares. Esto creará una base sólida que moverá a la comunidad de Lawndale, y a nuestra sociedad en su conjunto, hacia la curación sanidad, la equidad y la colaboración.”

- Jamila M. Adams, Chicago Public Schools, Office of Social Emotional Learning

Key Drivers | Engage

Our site is located in a food desert, with the closest existing grocery store located a 22 minute walk away. The addition of a new grocery store will nourish the body through **access to healthy foods as well as nourish the mind** through cooking classes and nutrition education.

Nuestro área está ubicada en un lugar carente de alimentos, con la tienda de comestibles existente más cercana ubicada a 22 minutos a pie. La adición de un supermercado de comestibles nutrirá el cuerpo a través del acceso a alimentos saludables y nutrirá la mente a través de clases de cocina y educación nutricional.



- Aldi
- Fresh Market
- Fairplay Foods
- Jewel-Osco
- Walmart Neighborhood Market





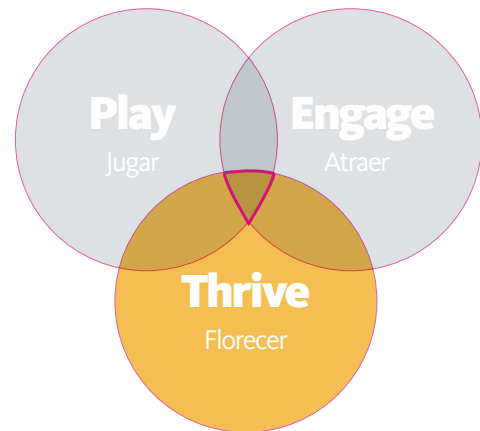
“Recognizing that health is more than healthcare, the Lawndale Children’s Discovery Center will be a catalyst for advancing health for youth and families in our City. Lurie Children’s is honored to explore opportunities for partnership as we follow the lead of the community in designing and operationalizing this wonderful space.”

“Reconociendo que la salud es más que atención médica, el Centro de descubrimiento de niños de Lawndale será un catalizador para promover la salud de los jóvenes y las familias en nuestra ciudad. Lurie Children’s tiene el honor de explorar oportunidades de trabajar juntos mientras seguimos el ejemplo de la comunidad en el diseño y la puesta en funcionamiento de este maravilloso espacio.”

- Mary Kate Daly, Vice President, Lurie Children’s Healthy Communities

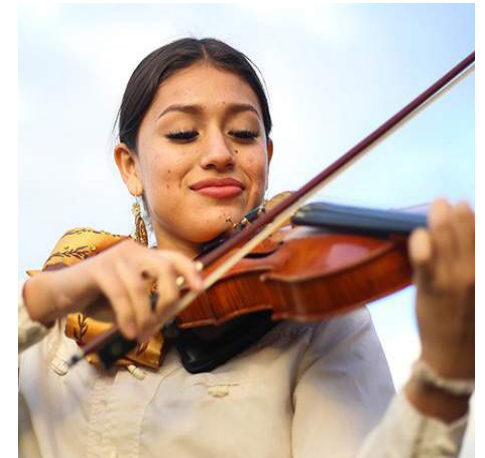
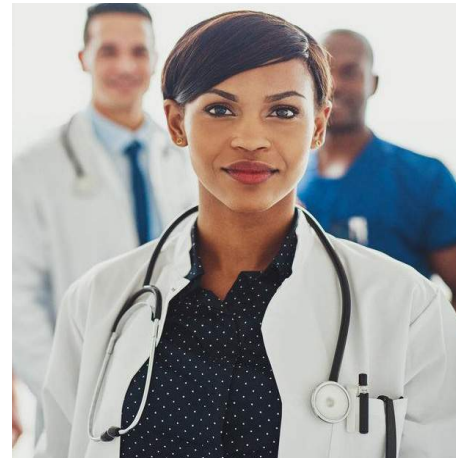
The Children’s Discovery Center will be a welcoming space designed for children ages 0-8 to **explore, play, create, learn, and engage** with parents, caregivers, and each other. Through its exhibits, artwork, and programming, the Discovery Center will celebrate the voices, viewpoints, and assets of Lawndale and Chicago. Not only will it set children up to succeed, but It will be **a space for families as a whole to thrive.**

El Centro de Descubrimiento para niños será un espacio acogedor diseñado para que los niños de 0 a 8 años exploren, jueguen, creen, aprendan e interactúen con sus padres, cuidadores y entre ellos. A través de sus exhibiciones, obras de arte y programación, el Centro de descubrimiento celebrará las voces, los puntos de vista y los activos de Lawndale y Chicago. No solo preparará a los niños para tener éxito, sino que será un espacio para que las familias en su conjunto prosperen.



“You can’t be what you can’t see.”

Marian Wright Edelman



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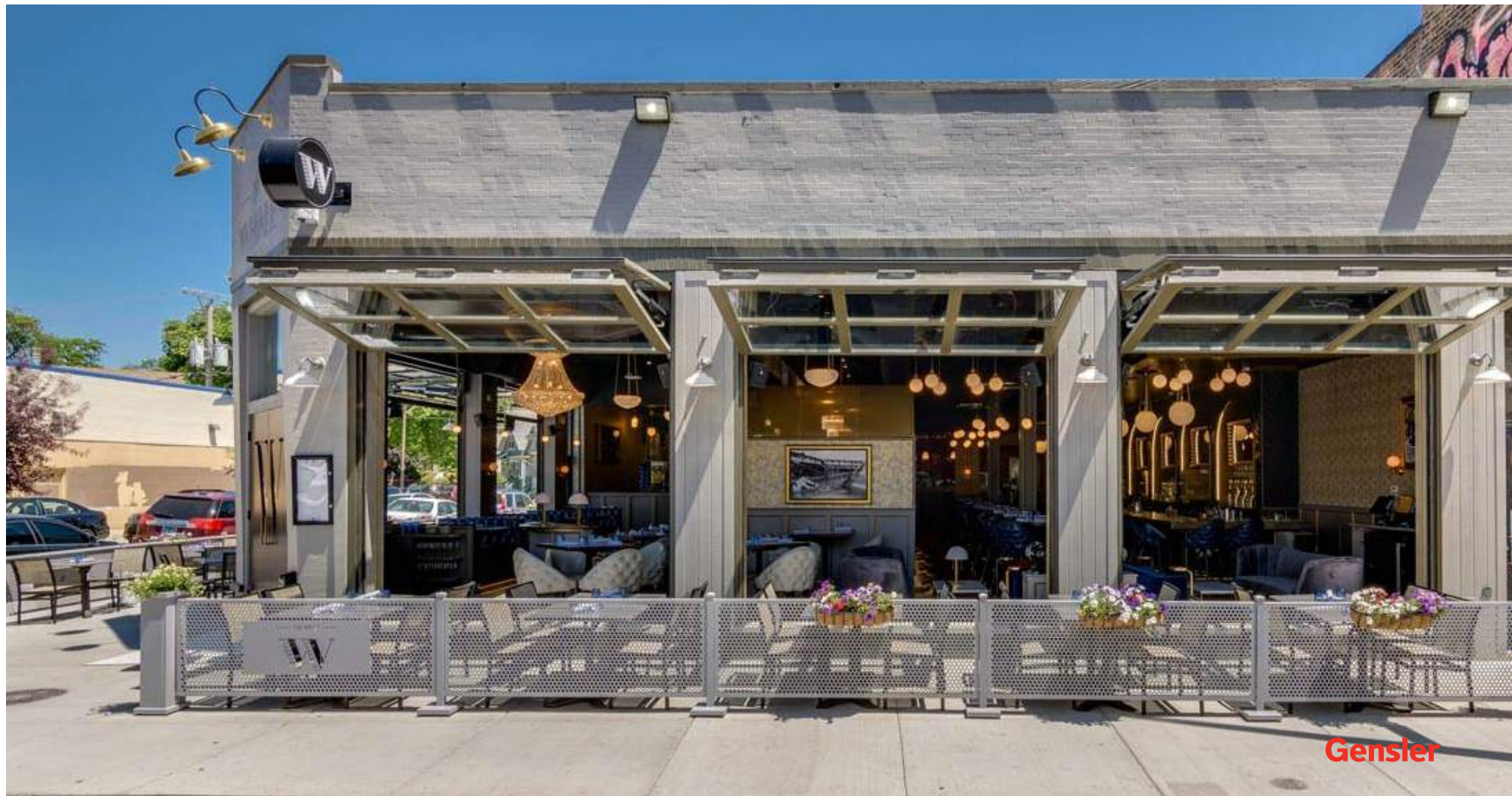
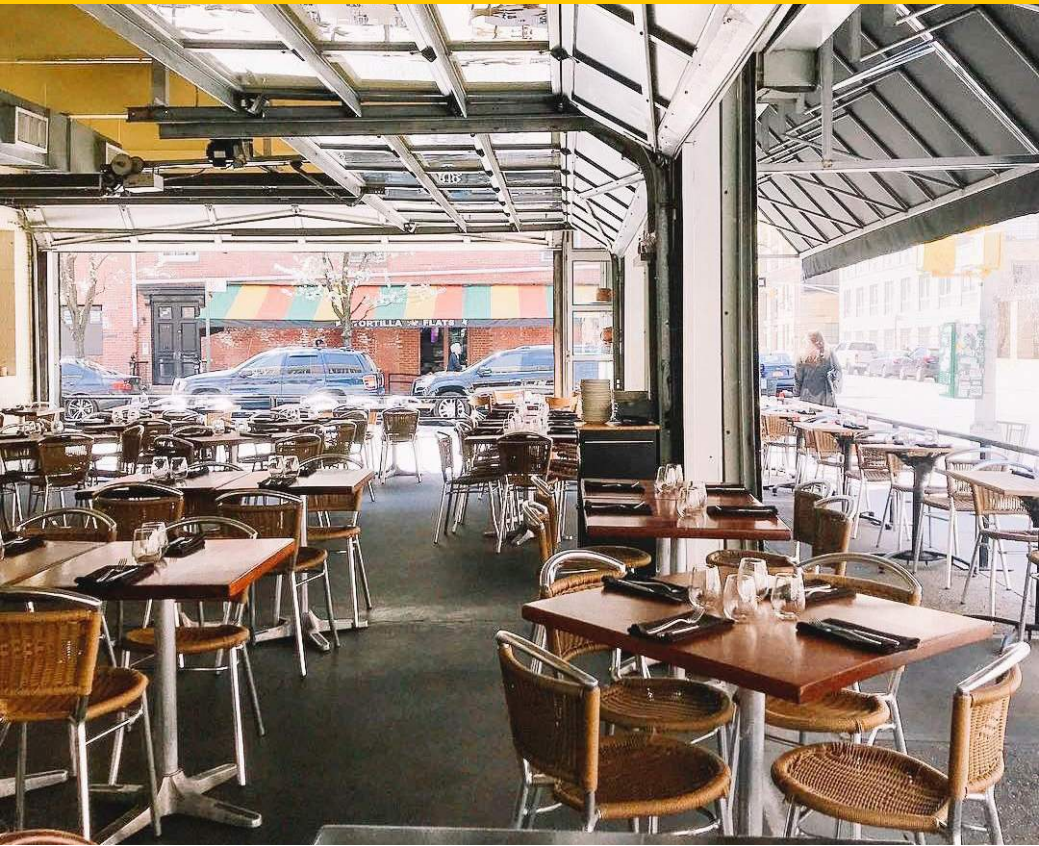
Program

El Programa

Program | Grocery Store Look + Feel



Program | **Open To Everyone**



Program | In-Store Cooking Classes



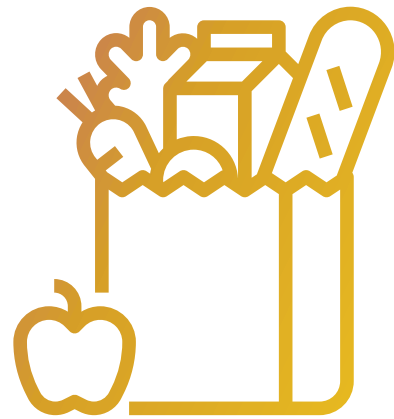
Program | Children's Discovery Center

El Programa | Centro de Descubrimiento para Niños



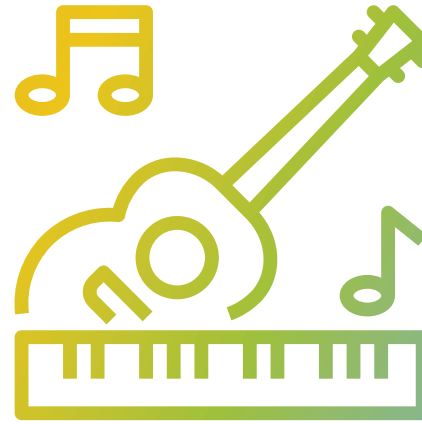
Infant / Toddler

Infante / Niño(a)



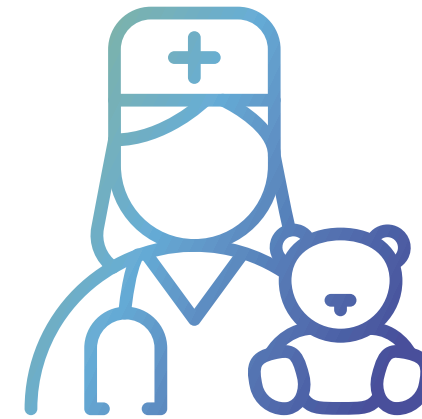
Grocery

El Supermercado



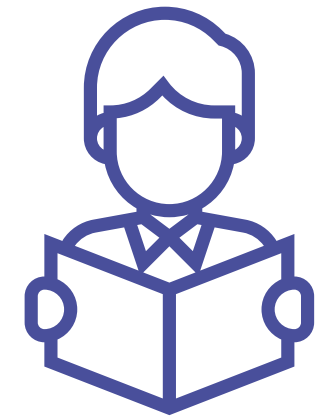
Music, Dance & Film

Música, Danza y Cine



Pediatrician's Office

Clínica Pediátrica



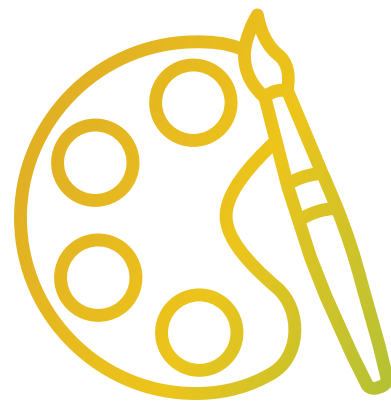
Cozy Corner

Rincón Acogedor



Building Our Future

Construyendo Nuestro Futuro



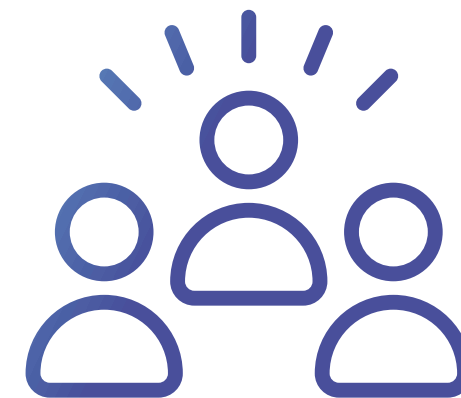
Art Studio

Estudio de arte



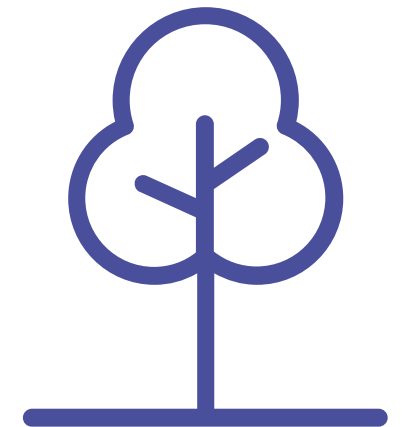
Kitchen

Cocina



Community / Multipurpose

Comunidad / Multiusos



Outdoor Nature Space

Espacio Natural al Aire Libre

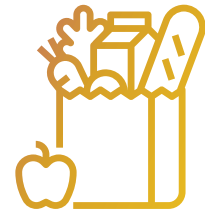




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Infante / Niño(a)

Self-Awareness
Social Awareness



Grocery

El Supermercado

Self-Management
Social Awareness
Relationship Skills



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Música, Danza y Cine

Relationship Skills
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Social Awareness
Relationship Skills
Responsible Decision-Making



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Self-Awareness
Self-Management
Social Awareness



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Responsible Decision-Making
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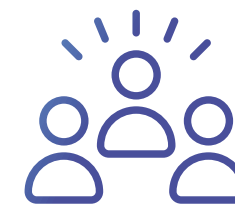
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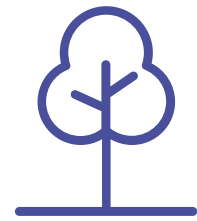
Responsible Decision-Making
Relationship Skills
Self-Management



Community / Multipurpose

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Self-Management
Self-Awareness
Social Awareness
Responsible Decision-Making
Relationship Skills



Outdoor Nature Space

Espacio Natural al Aire Libre

Self-Awareness
Relationship Skills
Responsible Decision-Making



Program | **Infant / Toddler**



Program | Grocery Store





Program | Music, Film & Dance



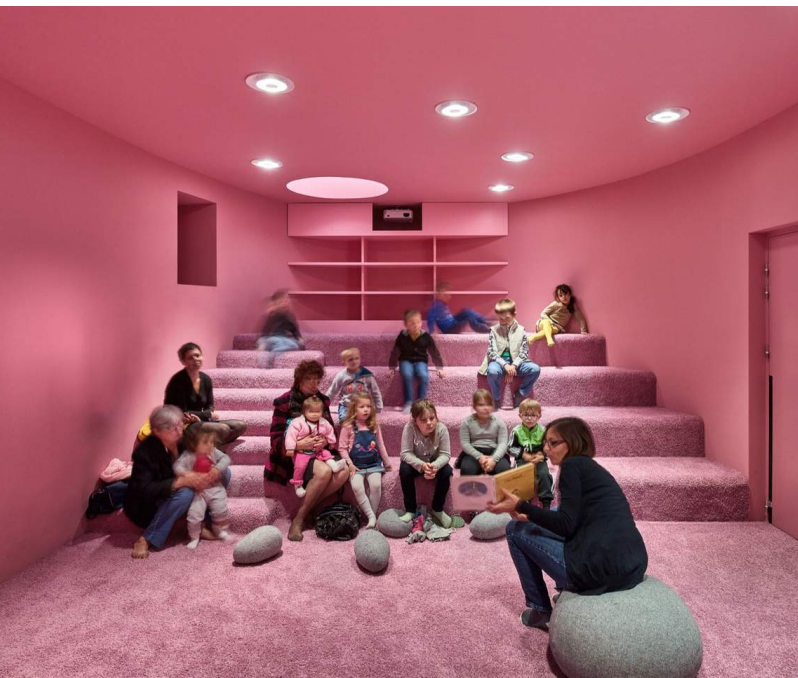


Program | **Pediatrician's Office**





Program | Cozy Corner





Program | **Building Our Future**





Program | **Art Studio**





Program | Kids In The Kitchen





Program | **Community / Multipurpose**





Program | **Outdoor Nature Space**



Community Collaboration & Partners

Colaboración Comunitaria y Socios

American Heart Association

Best Babies

Carole Robertson Center

Chicago Children's Museum

Chicago Literacy Alliance

Chicago Public Schools Office of Social and Emotional Learning

Cinespace

El Valor

Enlace

Eric Copeland Book Project

Erikson Institute

Kids First Chicago

Kohl Children's Museum

Latinos Progresando

Lincoln Park Zoo

Lurie Children's Hospital

North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council (NLCCC)

Neighbor to Neighbor Literacy Project

New Moms

North Lawndale Employment Network

Open Center for the Arts

Open Books

Rush University Medical Center

Sinai Chicago

Start Early

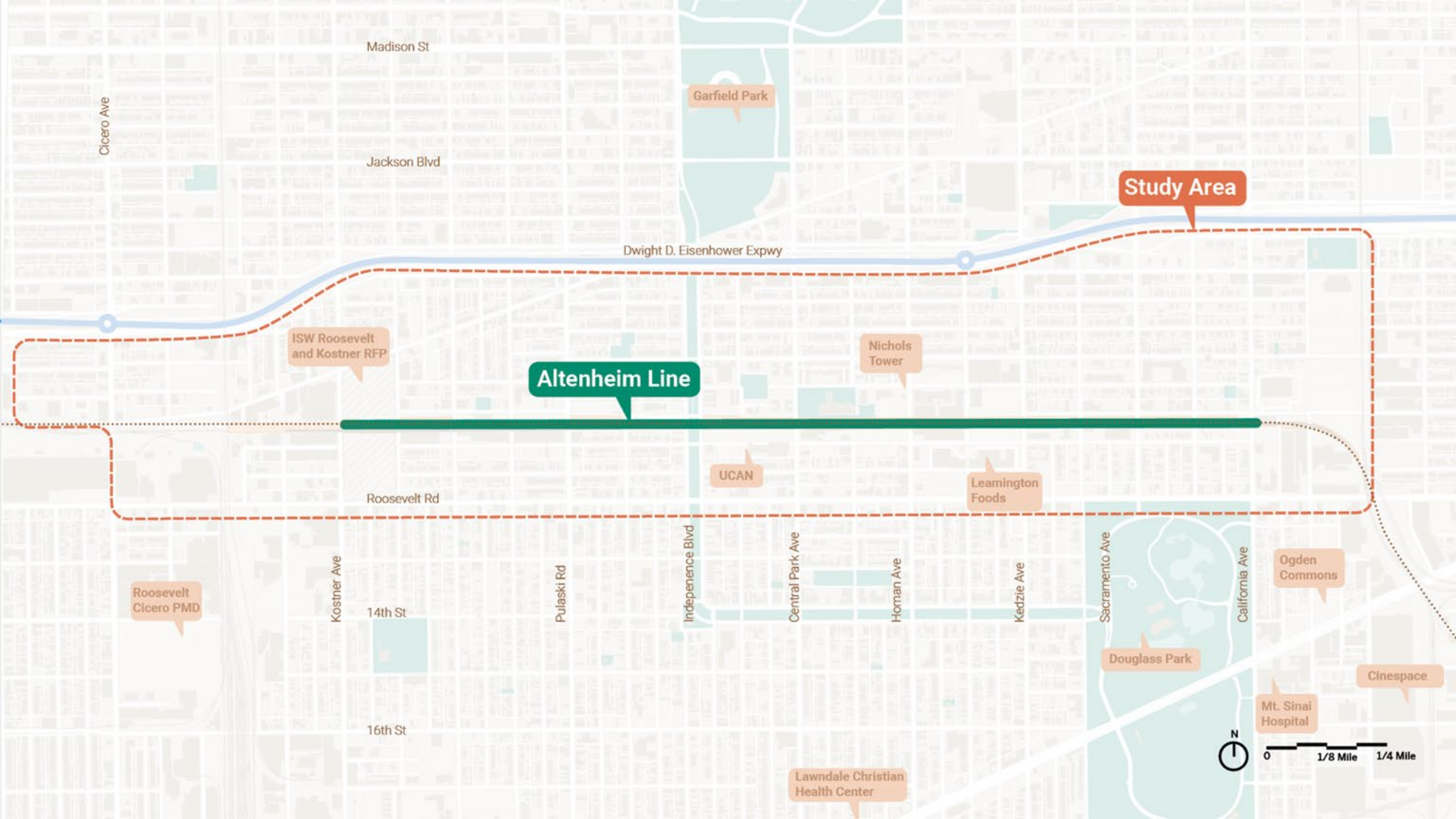
Trust for the Public Land

UCAN

West Side United

Young, Black and Lit

Altenheim Line Planning Study Update









Summary of Session #1

August 12th 2021 at Douglass Park



Our first community working session focused on listening and having conversations about what the project is and what are thoughts and guidance to help shape principles and vision for the project.

Focused around both the design of the line itself as a linear recreation space and what the future investment folks would like to see in the community.



project goals

- Exploring recreational opportunities for the line itself
- Identifying the highest-and-best-use of industrial and commercial parcels
- Building a sense of community ownership and control
- Supporting local economic growth
- Developing strategies for equitable investment and anti-displacement

understanding rails with trails

rails-with-trails, which are **rails located adjacent to active rail lines**, are valuable assets in providing safe transportation networks for pedestrians and bicyclists.

How Can We Increase Homeownership?

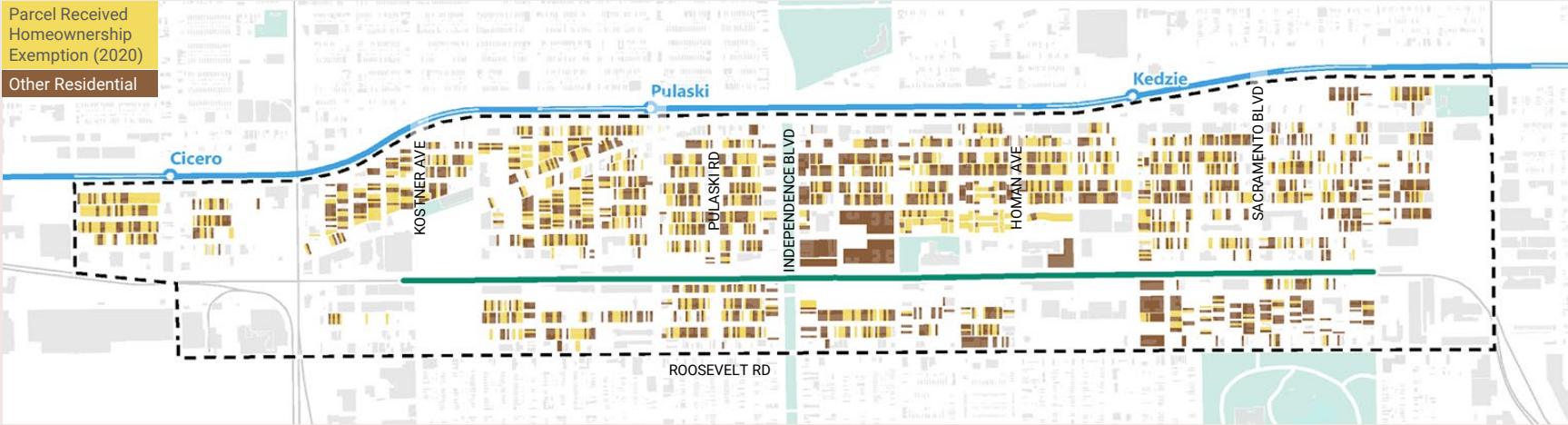


HOMEOWNERSHIP

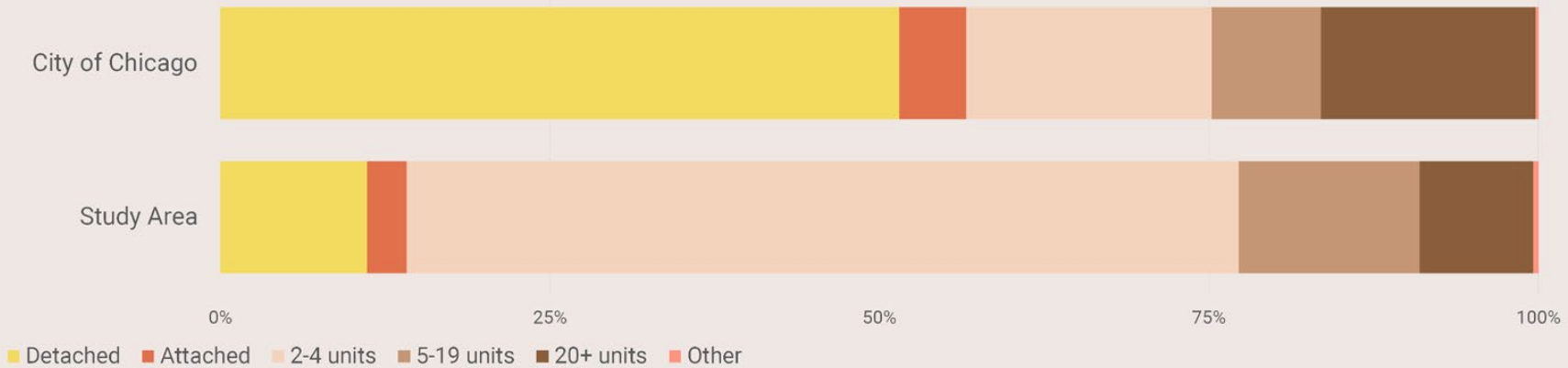
42%
Percent of Residential Parcels received Homeowners Exemption in 2020

22%
Ownership rate in 2019

26%
Ownership rate in 2010



CHICAGO VS STUDY AREA HOUSING UNIT TYPE, 2019 (US CENSUS)



Source: U.S. Census, Cook County Assessor's Office, ESRI, SB Friedman

Keeping Lawndale Affordable

Case studies show residential home values increase following rails-to-trails improvements.

The City has been engaged in discussions around affordability throughout the planning process, evaluating the potential for additional programs to protect affordability for existing community residents. Some strategies under consideration are included below.



Increasing Affordable Homeownership



Shared Ownership/Co-op Housing



Expanding Down Payment Assistance Programs



Preserving Existing Lower-Cost Housing



Building Affordable Rental Housing



Community Land Trust



Want to learn more about existing Housing Programs & Services in Chicago? Check out this resource guide!

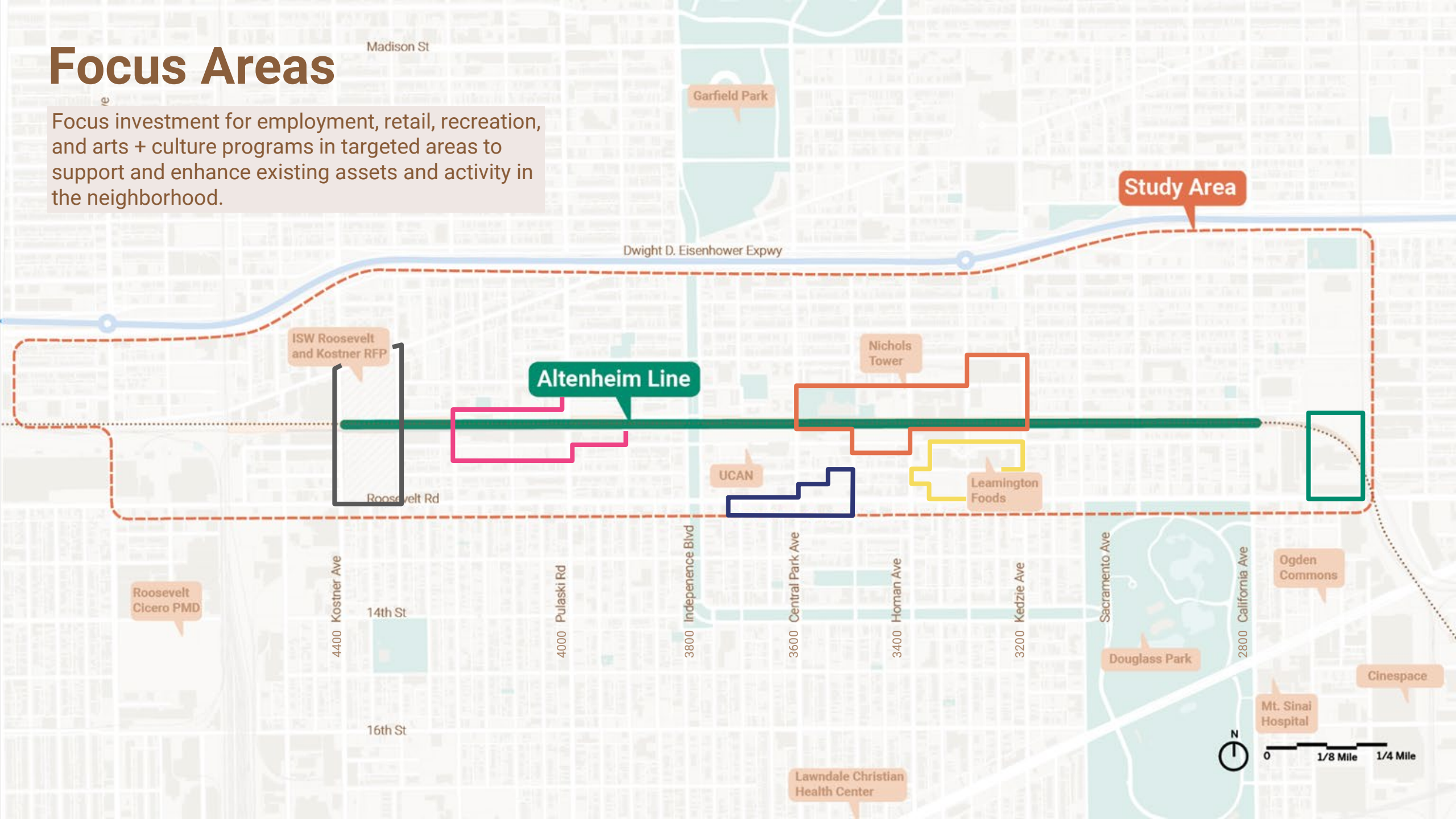


Which of these affordability strategies would you like to see prioritized?

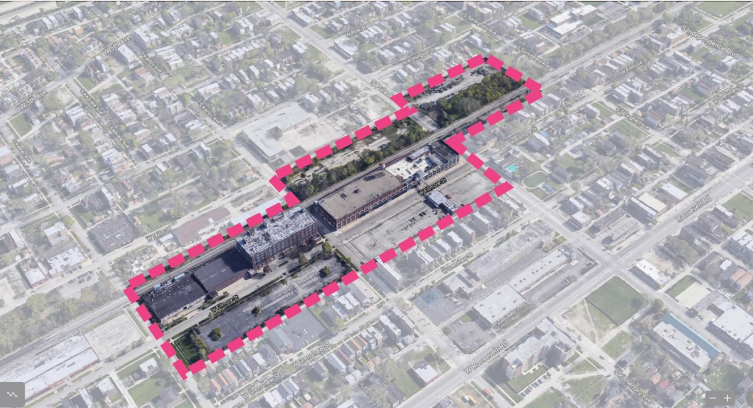
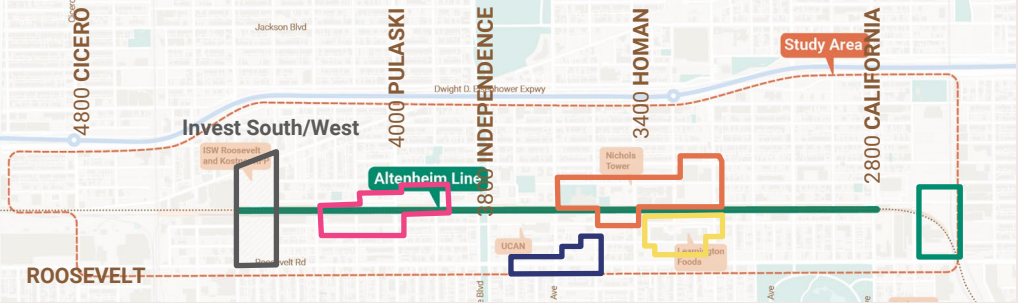


Focus Areas

Focus investment for employment, retail, recreation, and arts + culture programs in targeted areas to support and enhance existing assets and activity in the neighborhood.



Focus Areas



Pulaski 20 acres



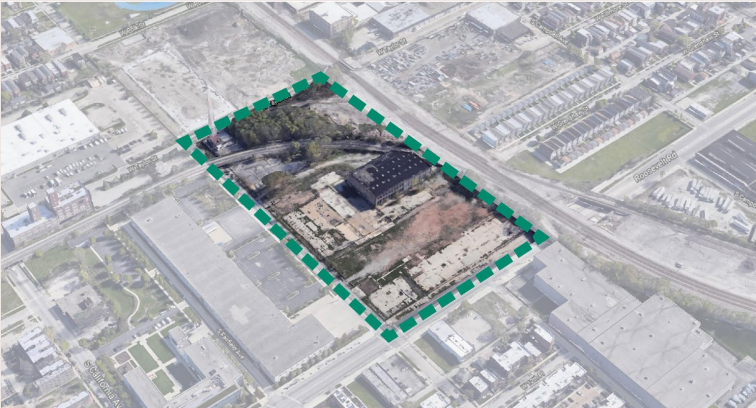
Central Park Theater 10 acres



Homan Square 38 acres



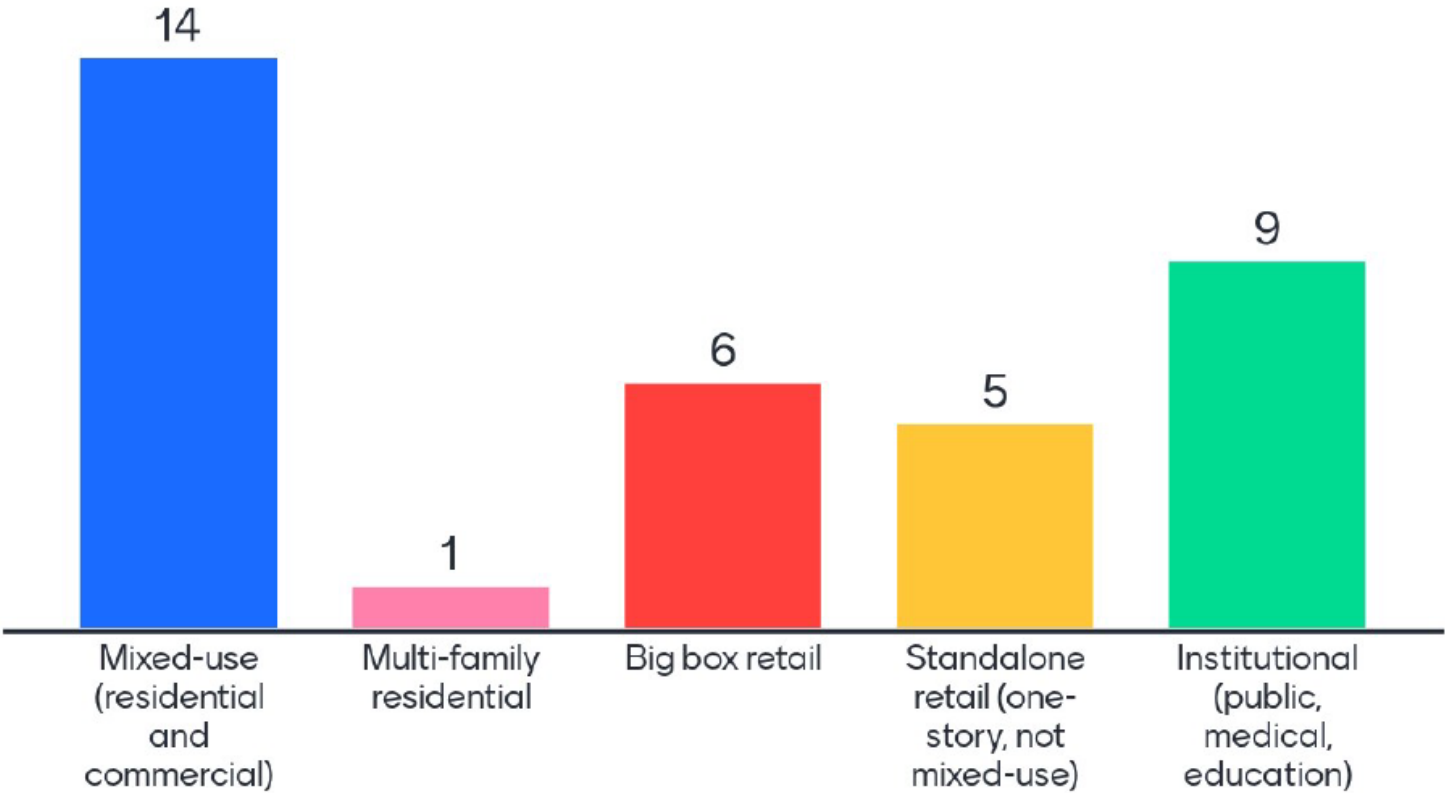
Lawndale Plaza 15 acres



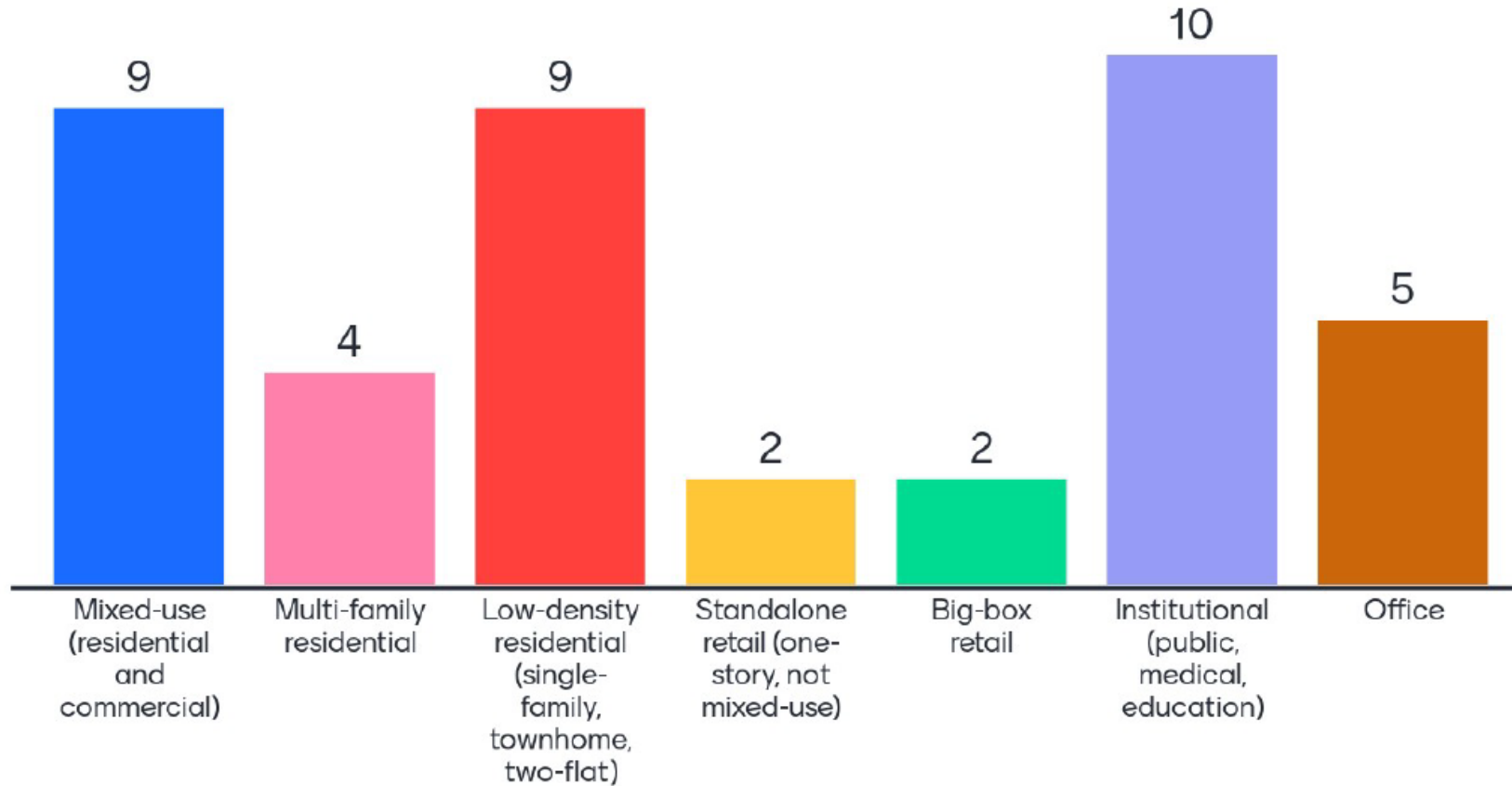
Campus Green 14 acres



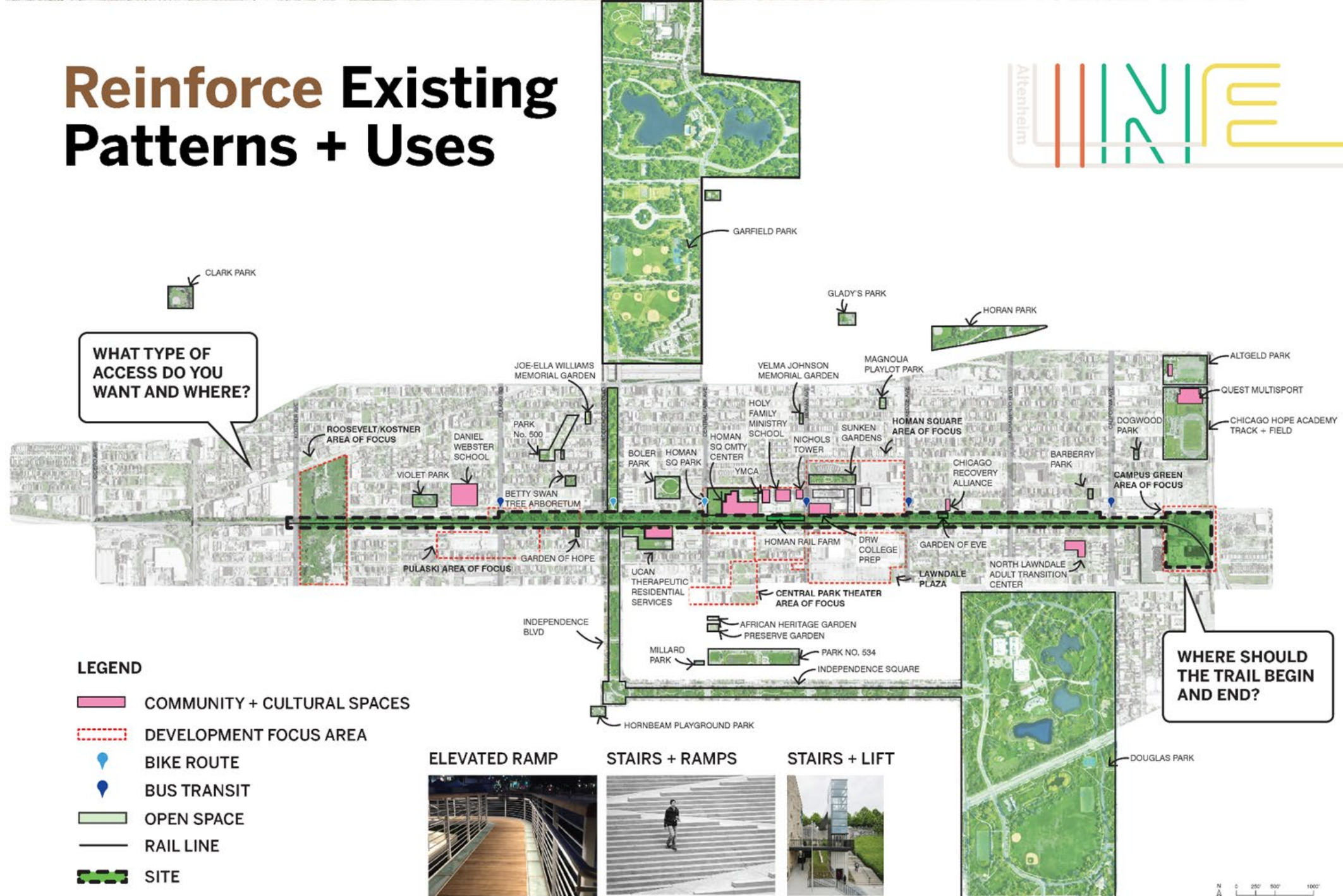
What types of new development would you like to see on Roosevelt Road? (choose two)



What types of new development would you like to see in Homan Square? (choose two)



Reinforce Existing Patterns + Uses



WHAT TYPE OF ACCESS DO YOU WANT AND WHERE?

WHERE SHOULD THE TRAIL BEGIN AND END?

LEGEND

- COMMUNITY + CULTURAL SPACES
- DEVELOPMENT FOCUS AREA
- BIKE ROUTE
- BUS TRANSIT
- OPEN SPACE
- RAIL LINE
- SITE

ELEVATED RAMP



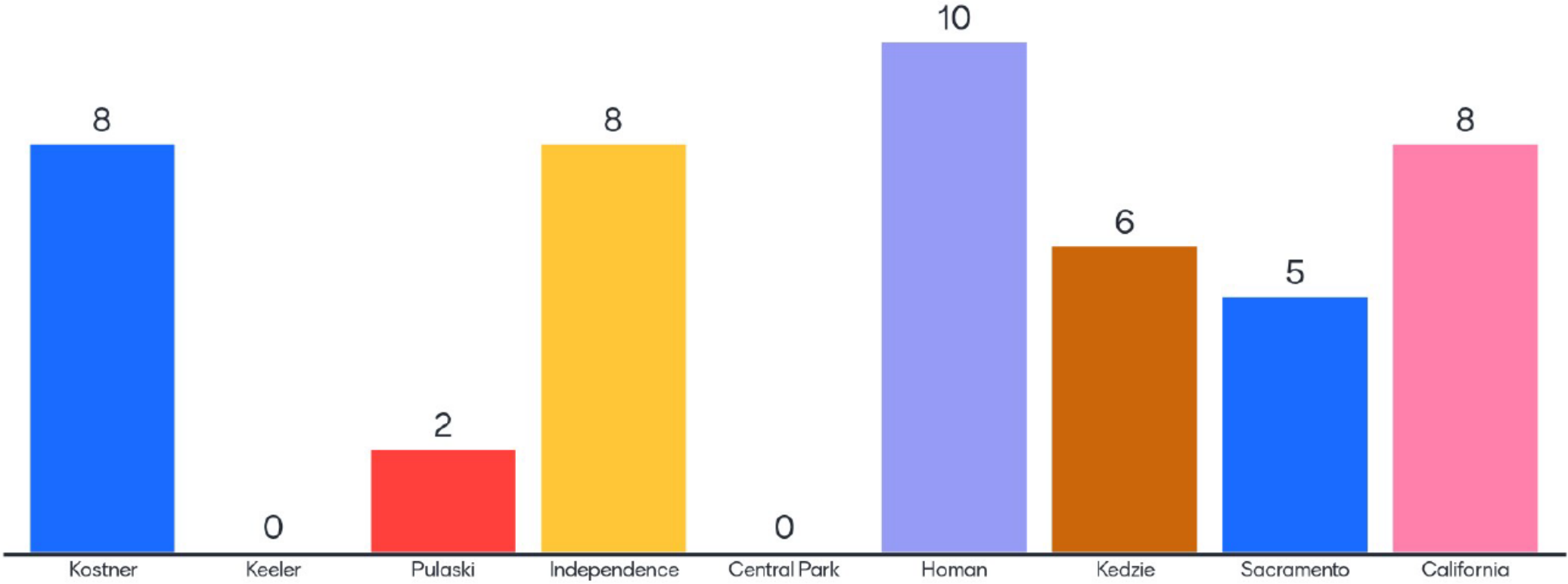
STAIRS + RAMPS



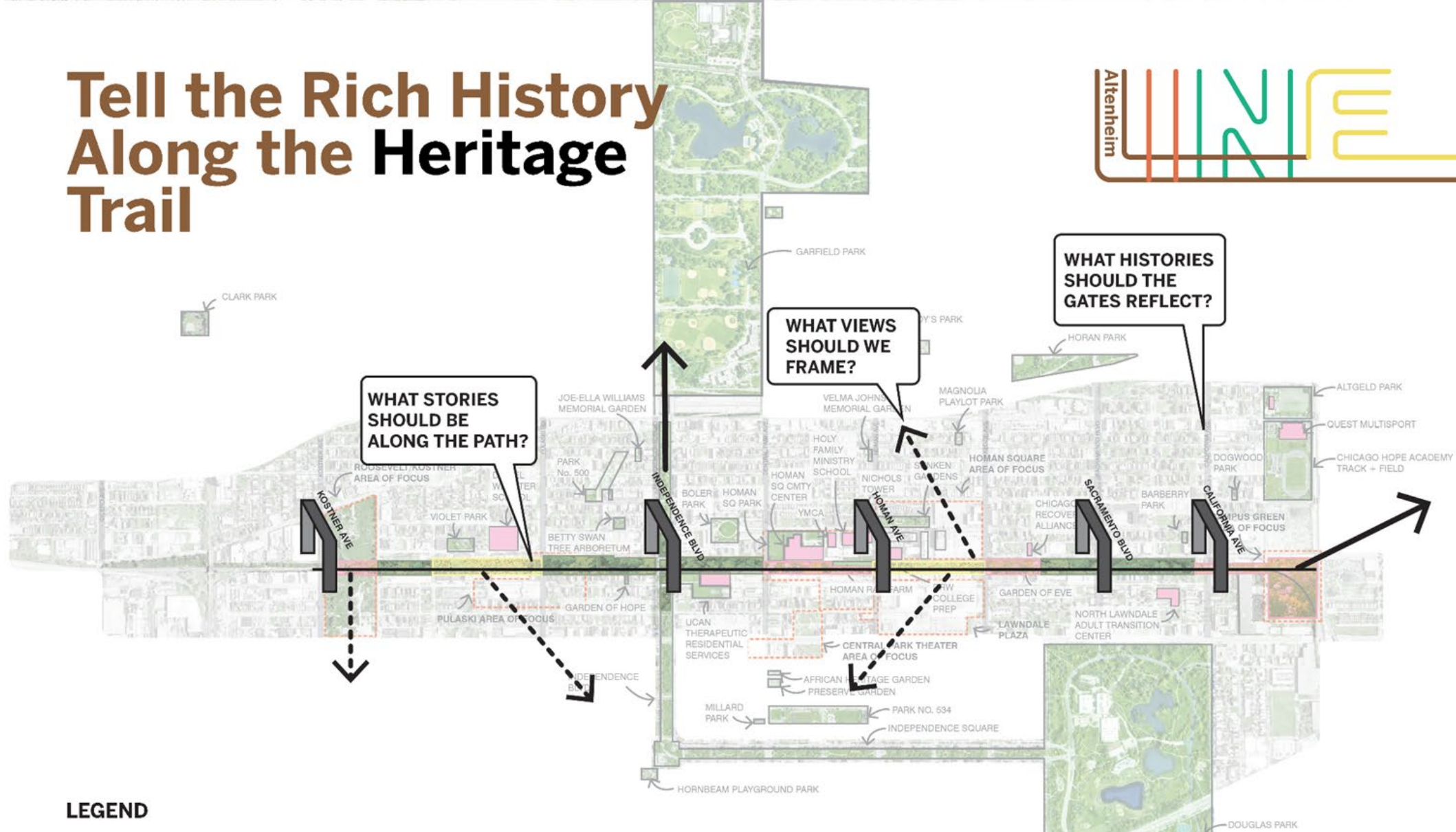
STAIRS + LIFT



What are the best locations to access the trail? (Choose up to five)



Tell the Rich History Along the Heritage Trail



LEGEND

PATH



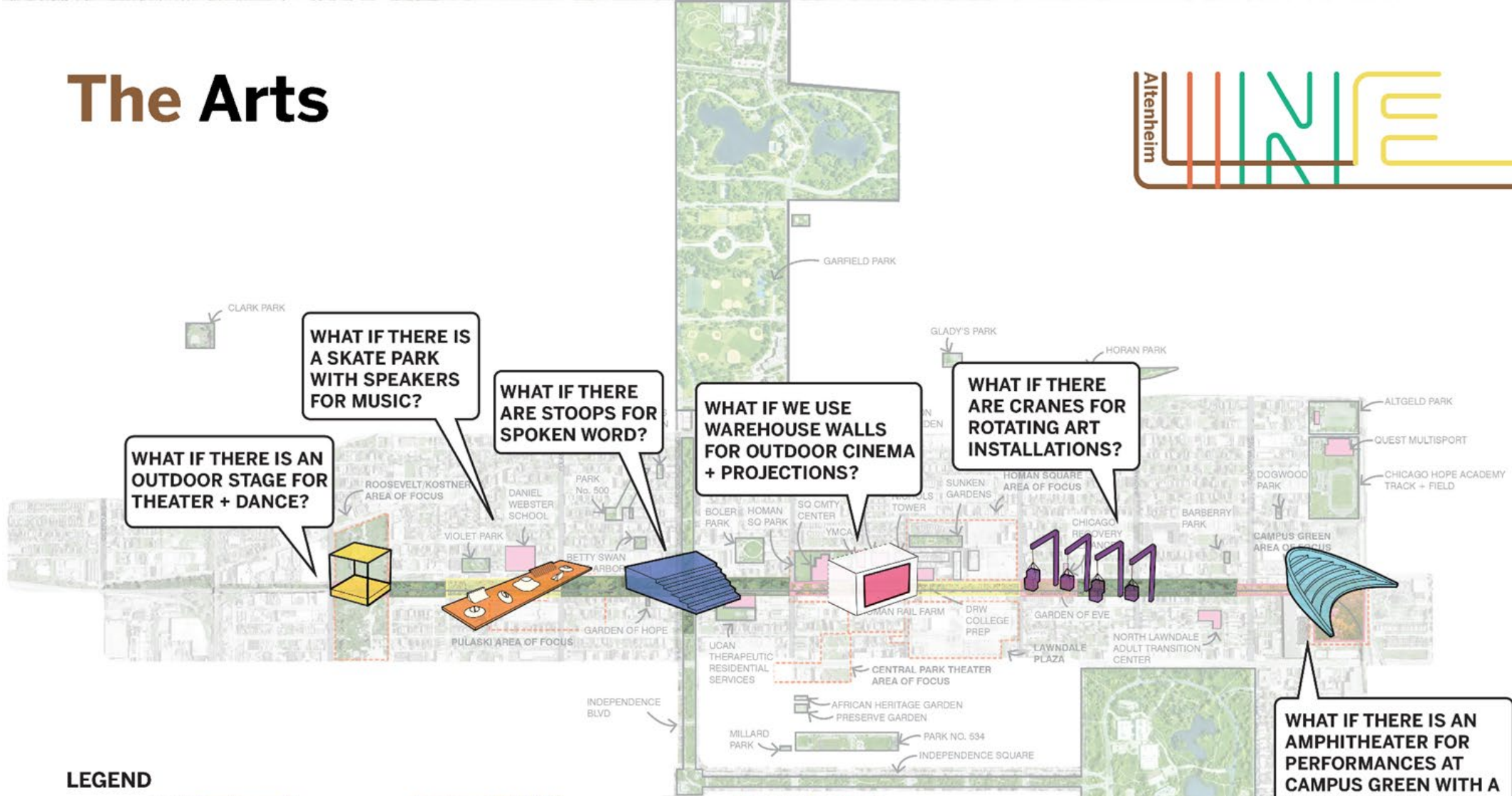
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VIEW



The Arts

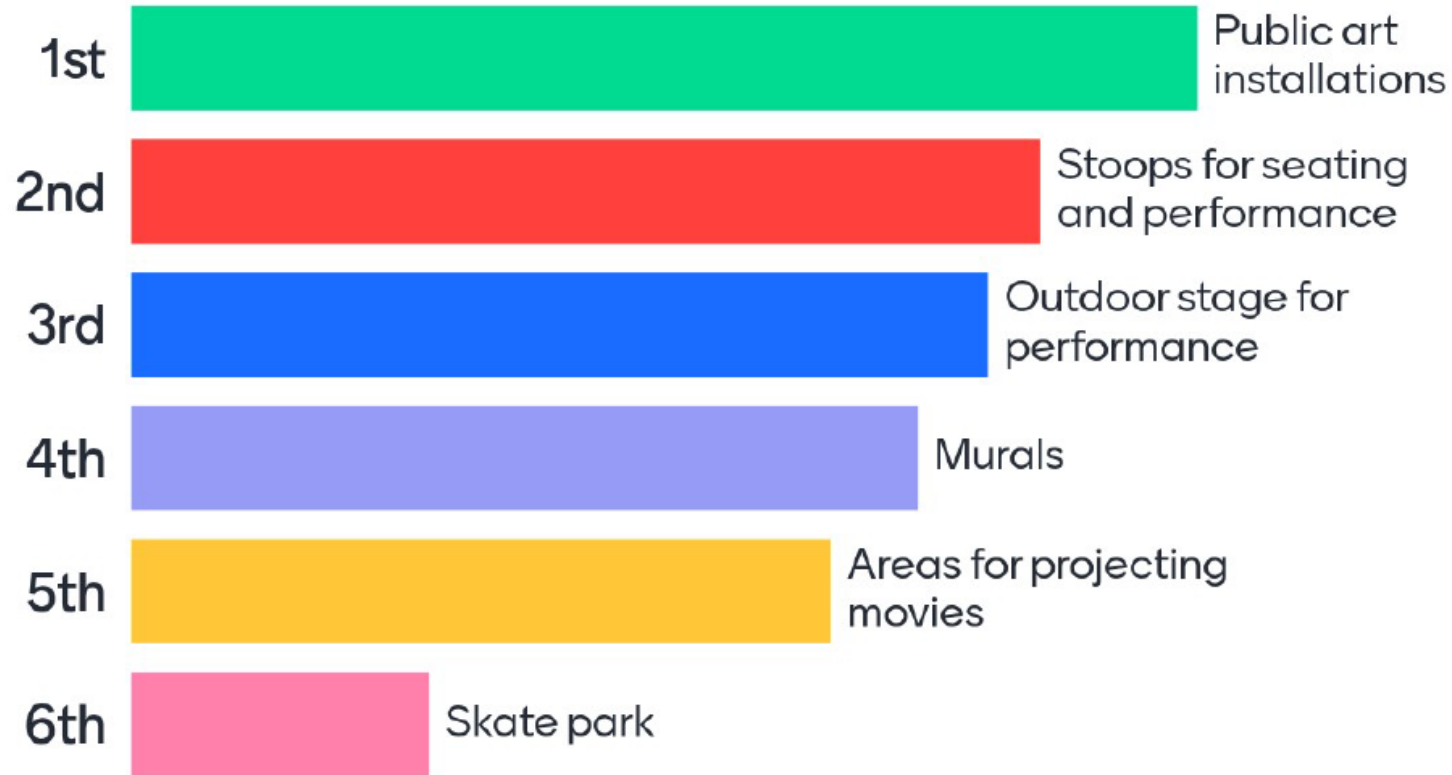


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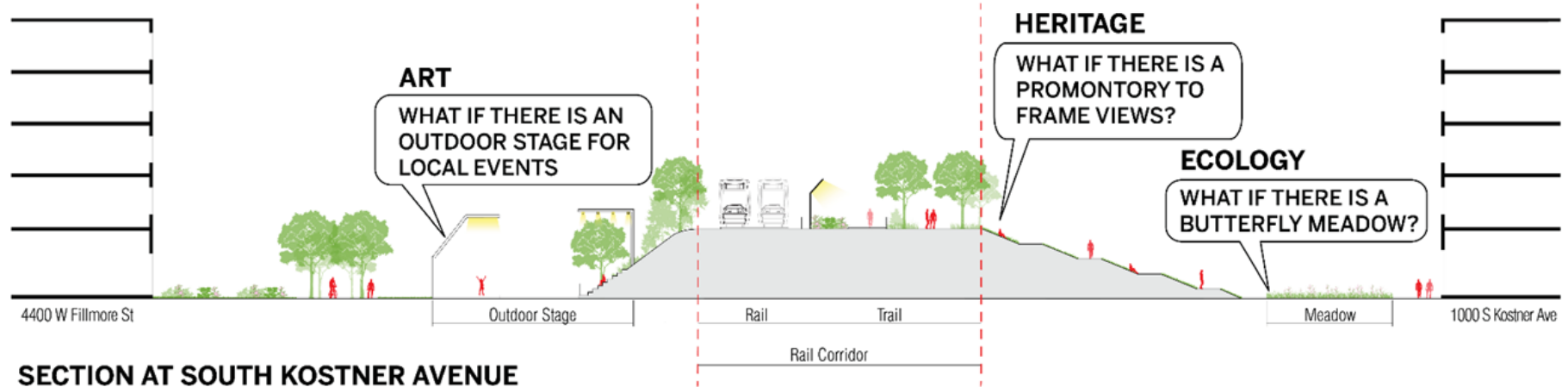
MUSIC			THEATER			SPOKEN WORD		
CINEMA			ART			PERFORMANCE		



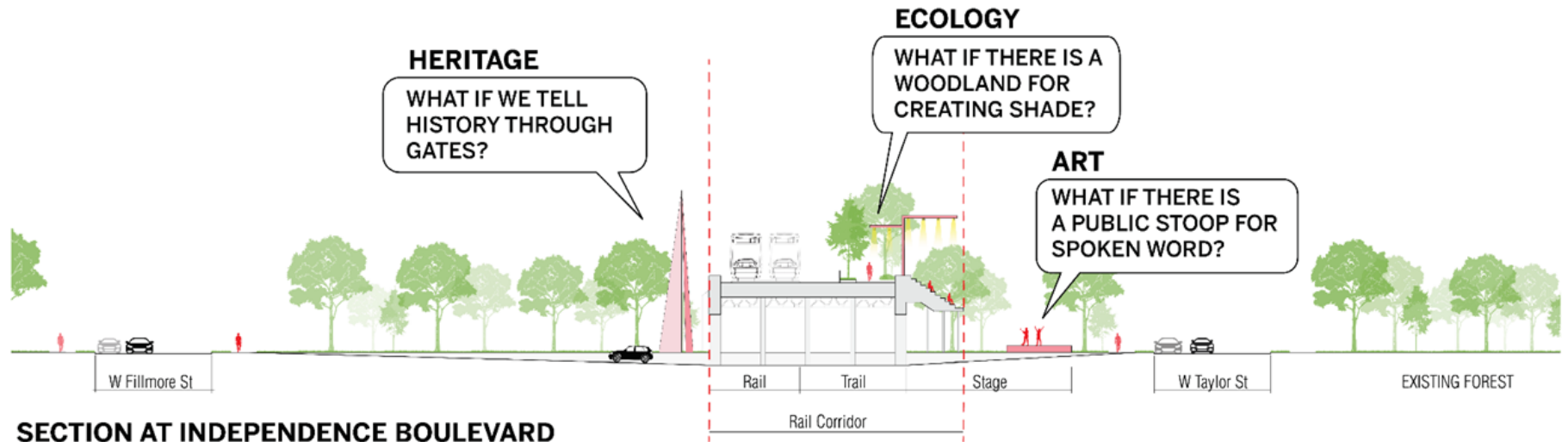
What are your preferences for potential programming on the trail?



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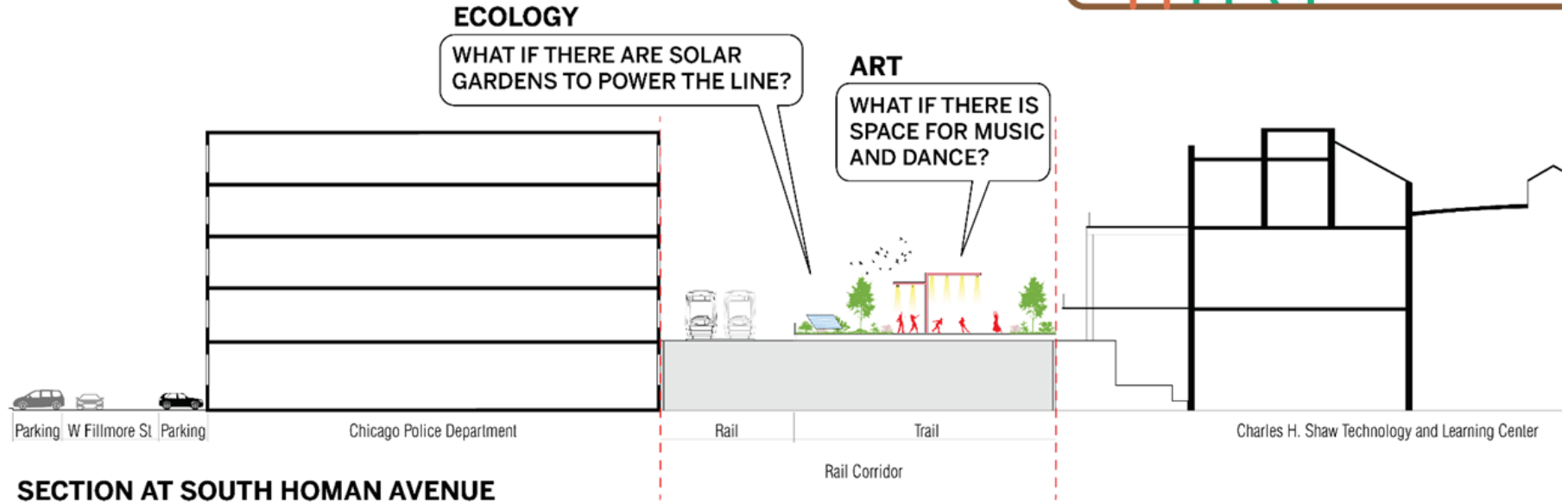


SECTION AT SOUTH KOSTNER AVENUE

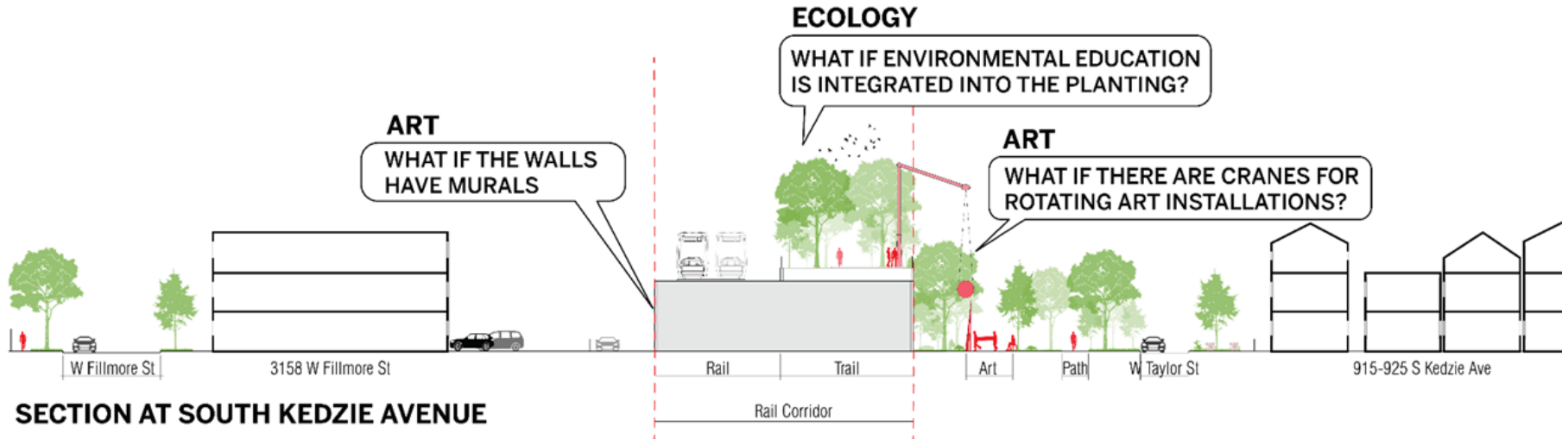


SECTION AT INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD

Sections of the Line



SECTION AT SOUTH HOMAN AVENUE



SECTION AT SOUTH KEDZIE AVENUE



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