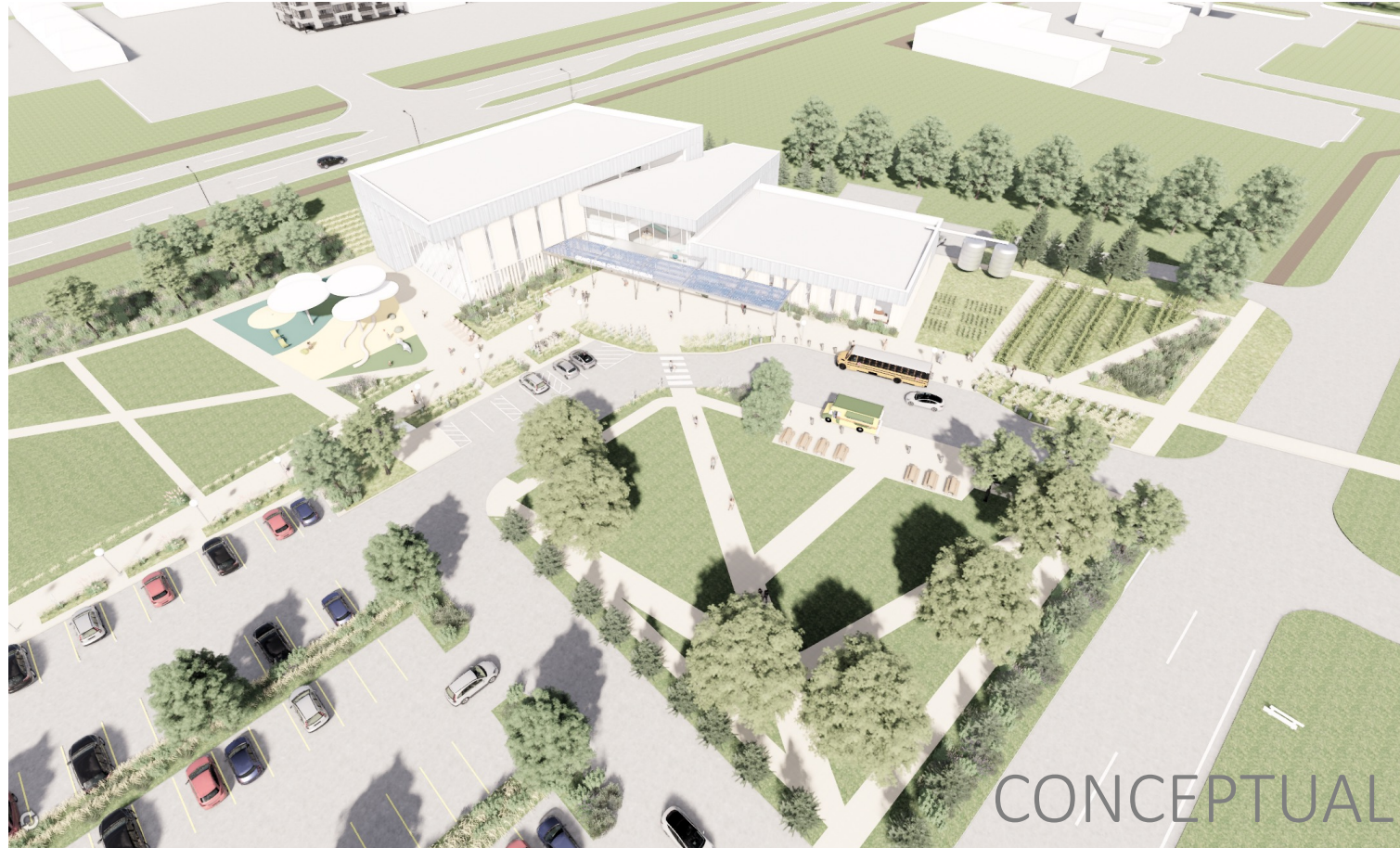


# GRAND FORKS CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

*Building a Brighter Future*



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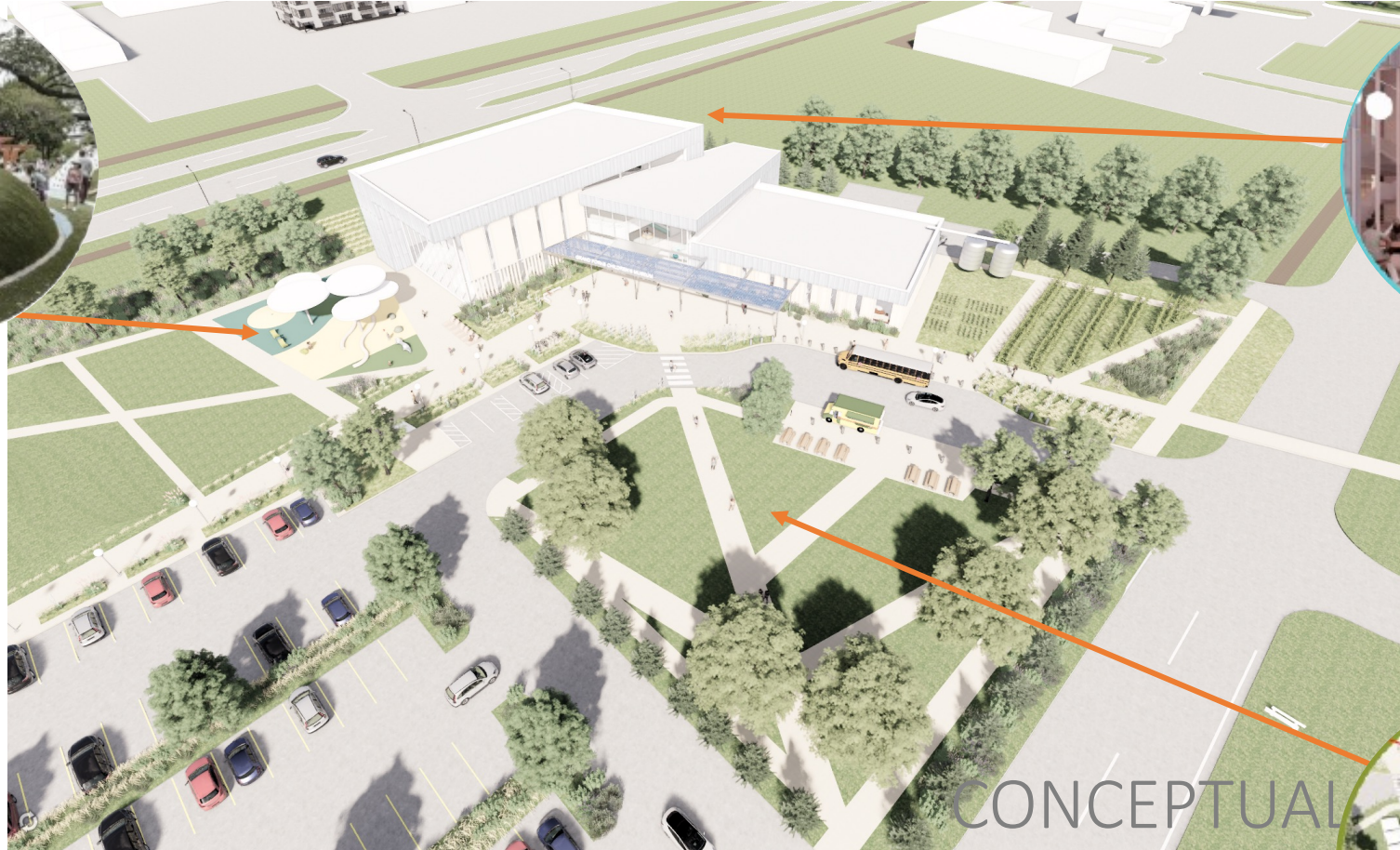
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OUTDOOR  
NATURAL  
PLAY/EXPLORE  
AREA



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

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



CONCEPTUAL

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CHILDREN'S GARDEN



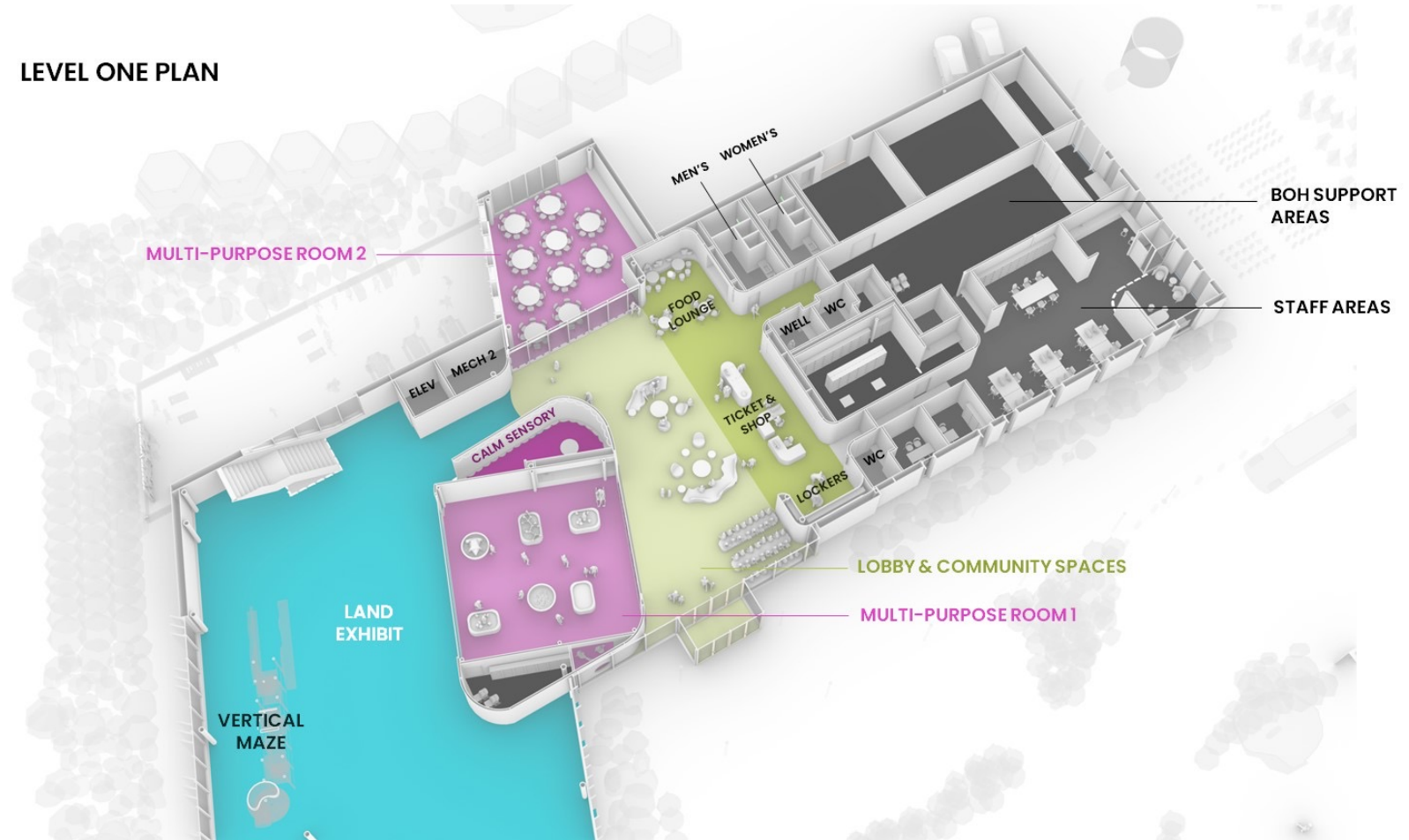
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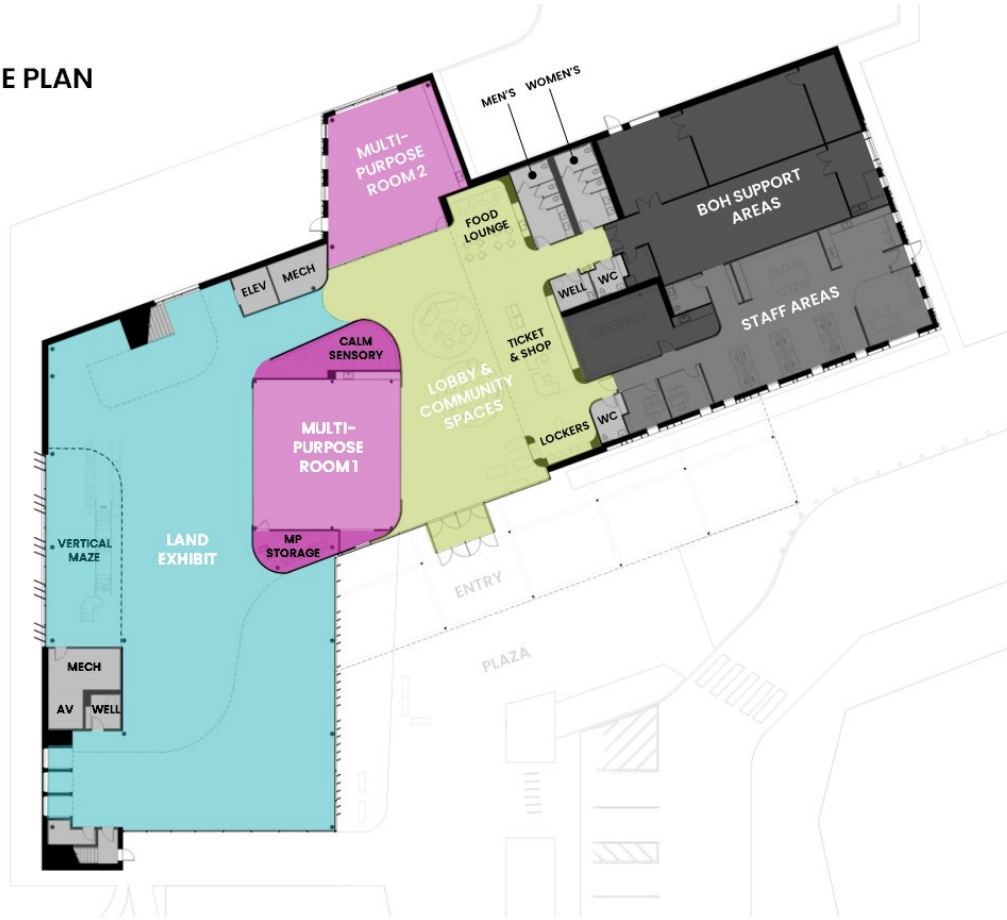
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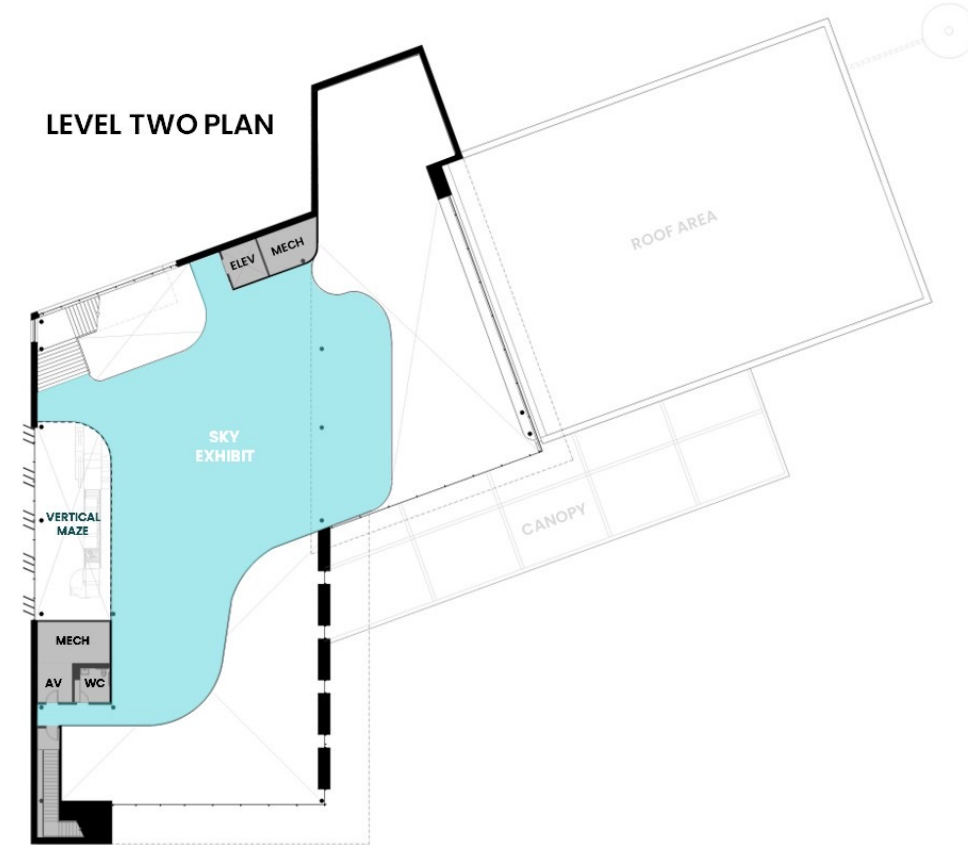


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LEVEL ONE PLAN



LEVEL TWO PLAN



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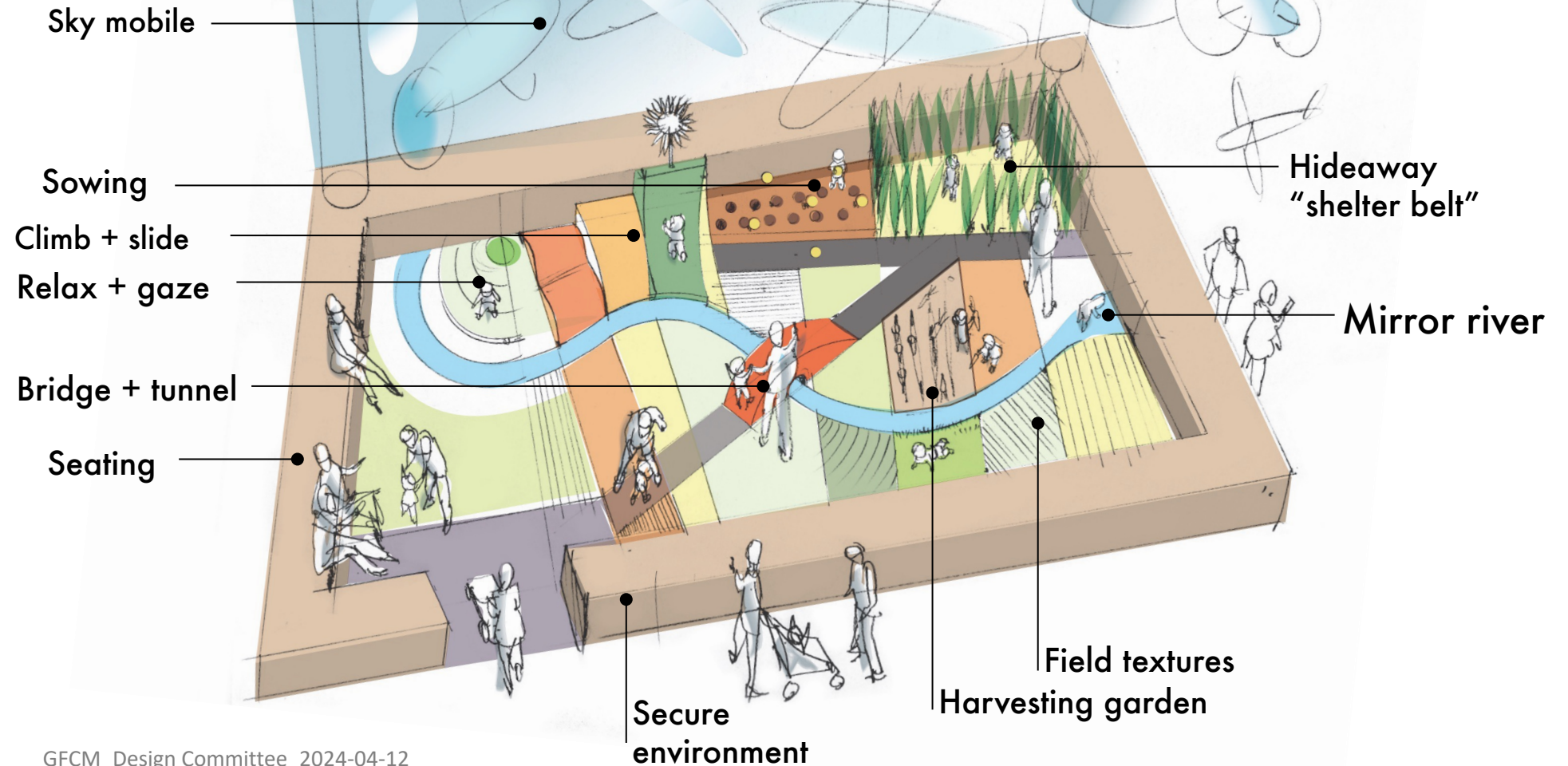
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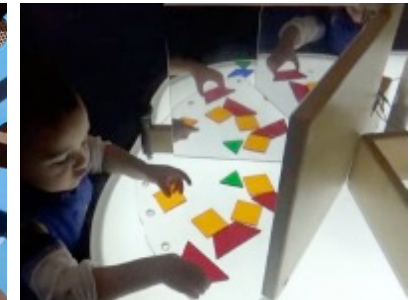




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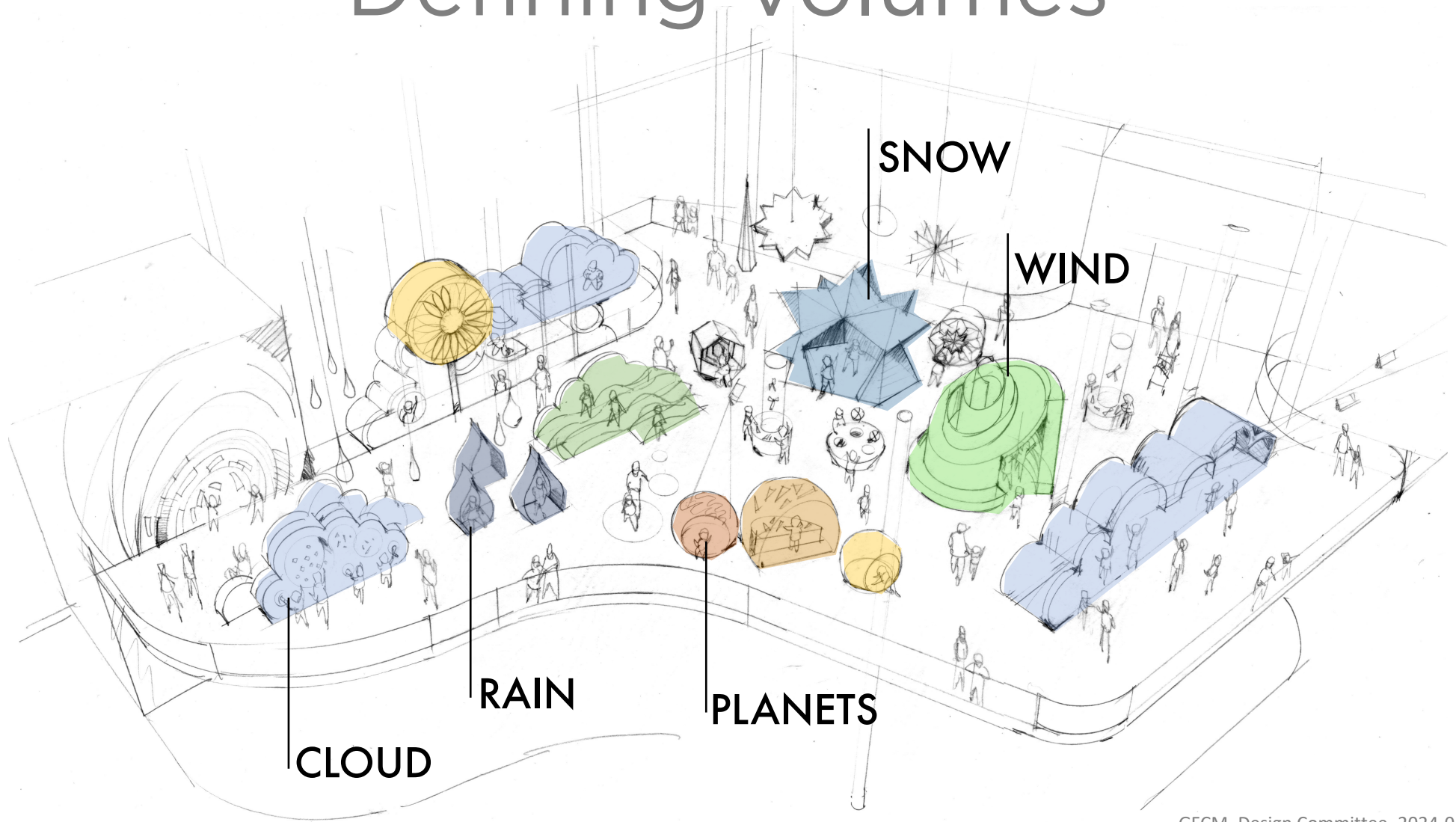


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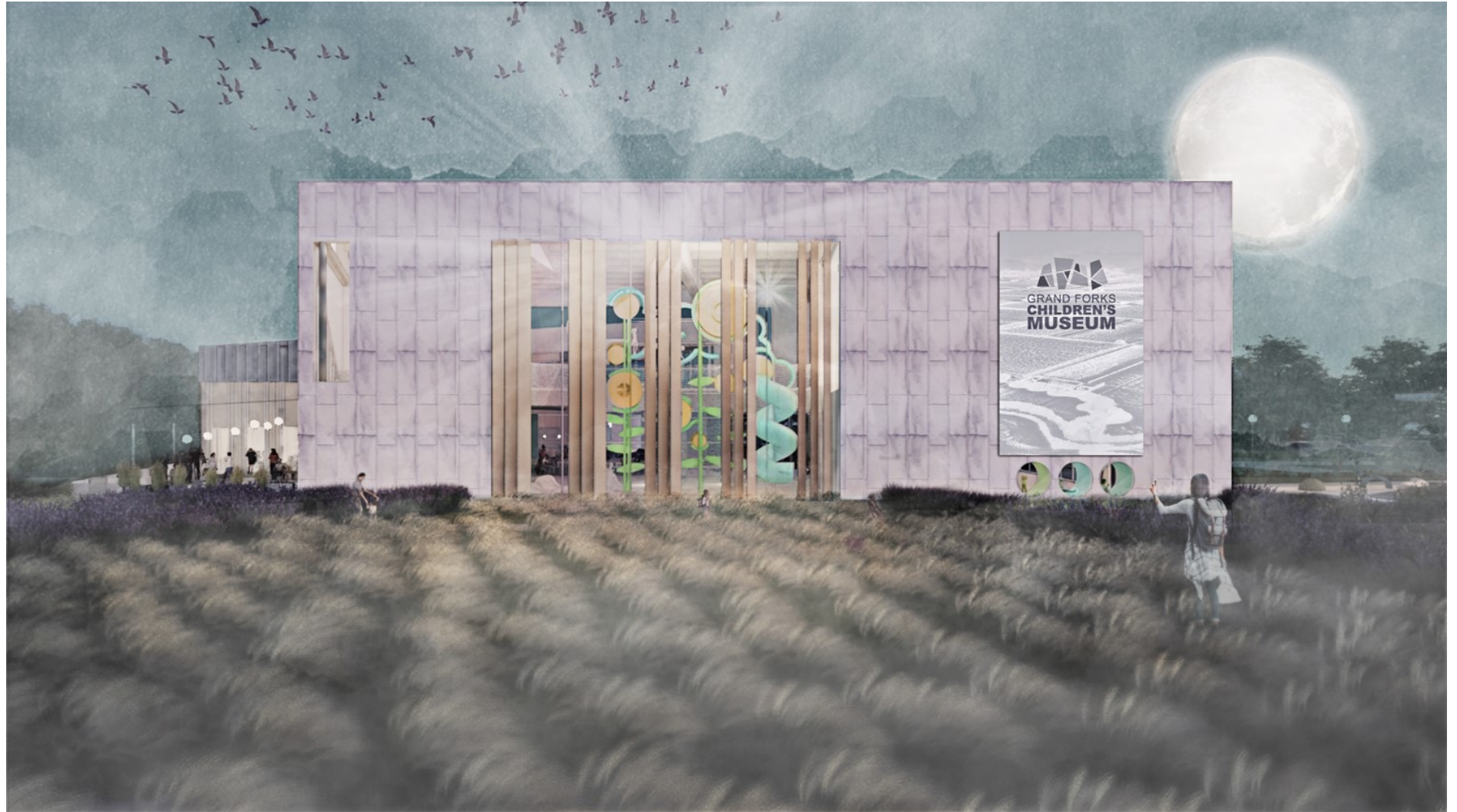




# The power of PLAY! –Sky Defining Volumes



# The power of PLAY! – Grow





# The power of PLAY! – Grow



# 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**

**2<sup>nd</sup> 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*

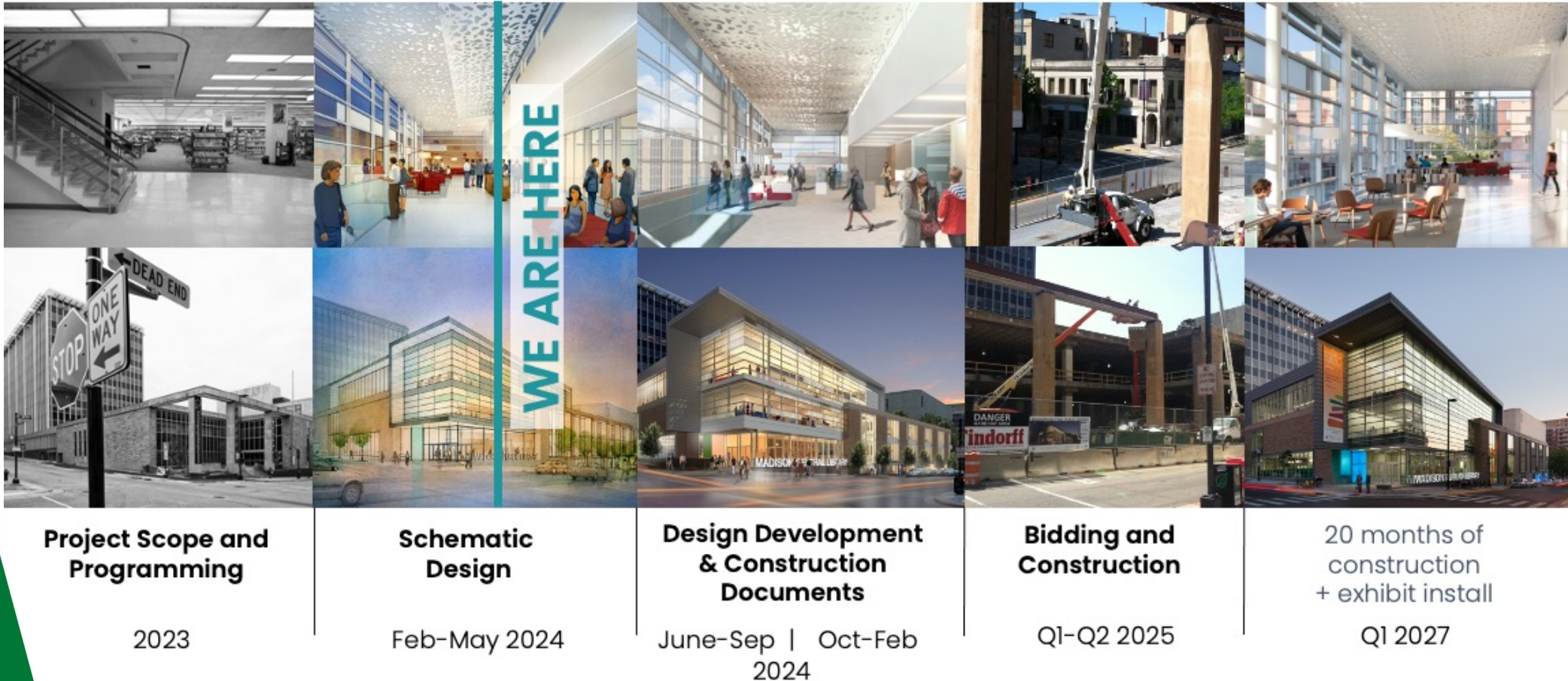
**Exhibit Stations:** *Builders Land, Motion Land, Maze Land, Quilter's Corner, Imagination Playground, Paleontologist Dig, Earth Systems, 4-H Binary Code Station, and a Music Station*

**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





# 2023 EVENTS



## OXFORD REALTY GOLF TOURNAMENT

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



## TOM BROSSEAU & 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*



## TAG: THE ART OF GIVING

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

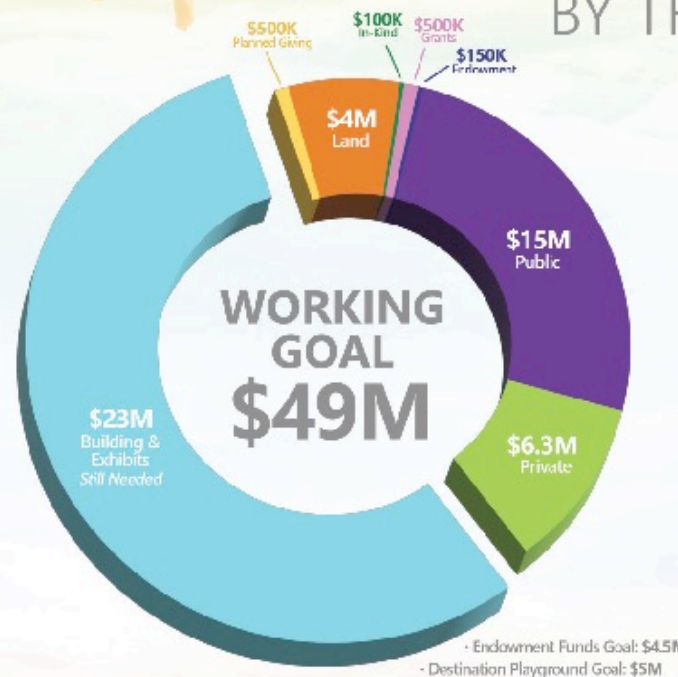
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GRAND FORKS  
CHILDREN'S  
MUSEUM

# 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 BROSSÉAU  
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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