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Mental health promoting senior living environments

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- Theories and Methods
- Findings
- Design

Positioning

Late Life Depression

- 18%~25% of people aged 75+ are depressed
- 66% of people aged 80+ are lonely
- people aged 80+ are most likely to commit suicide
- Lower quality of life
- Comorbidities psychosomatic
- Pressure on healthcare providers + costs
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Positioning

Problem Statement

Late life depression is treatable with

medication and psychotherapy

However additional methods are required

to reduce pressure on healthcare providers.

Since the elderly spend the majority of their day at home,

their moods will also be influenced by their living environments.

Current senior housing typologies are often depressing and institutional.

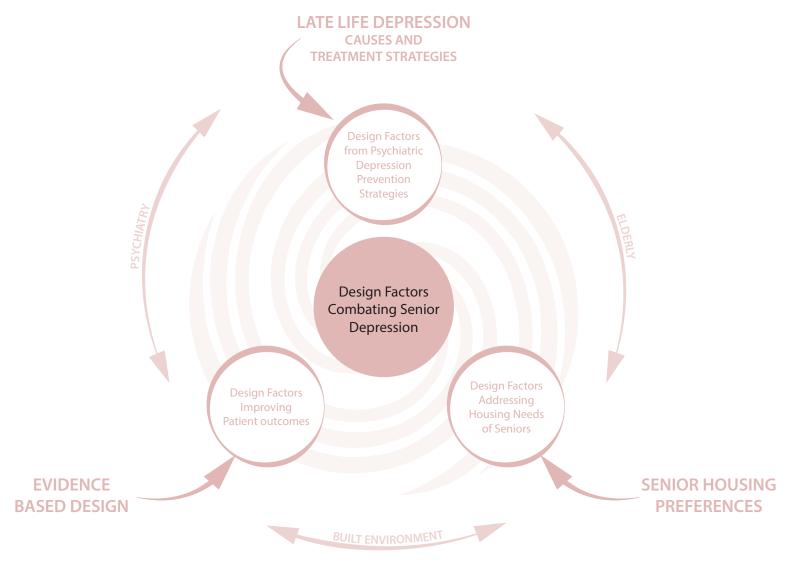
Better senior living environments are needed.

Research Question

Which Design Factors can contribute to the prevention or alleviation of late life depression in senior living environments?

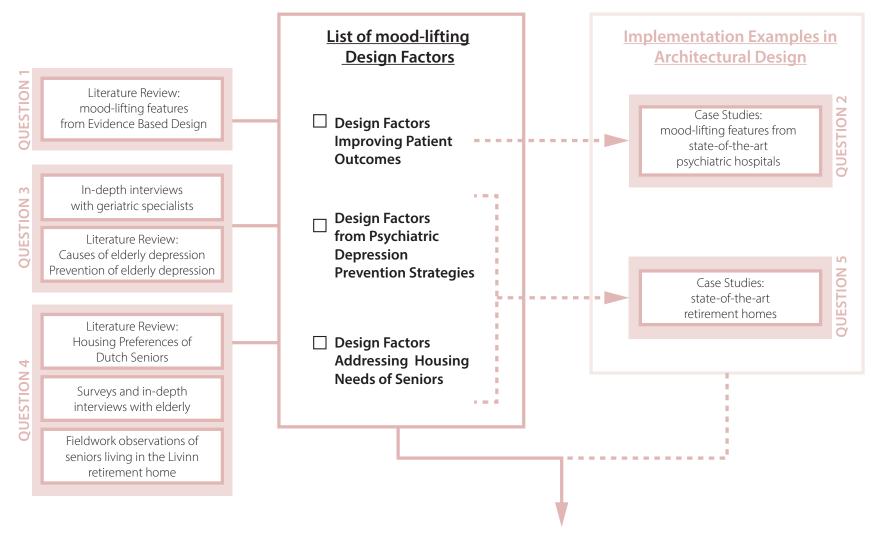
Research

Theoretical Framework



Research

Methods



OVERVIEW OF MOOD-LIFTING DESIGN FACTORS WITH IMPLEMENTATION EXAMPLES

Results

Results

Environmental Factors	Building Factors	Finishing Factors
Central Location	Social Appropriate Spaces Size	Accessibility
Physical Activity	Intergenerational Outdoor Spaces	Control
Views of Nature	Dementia Staff Spaces Spaces	Homelike Environment
- (Morning) Light	Positive Home Ownership Distrations	Privacy
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Brief

What? (Building Factors)

- Multigenerational Independent Senior Housing
- Meeting space for residents
- Culture, cafe & sports block for community
- Small dementia daycare and healthcare block











Where? (Environmental Factors)

Depressing location with potential to become an optimal living environment

Site Selection

Environmental Factors



Central Location



Physical Activity



Views of Nature



(Morning) Light



Noise

Depression is strongly associated with **economic inequality**Depression is more frequent in fast paced and stressful **urban environments**

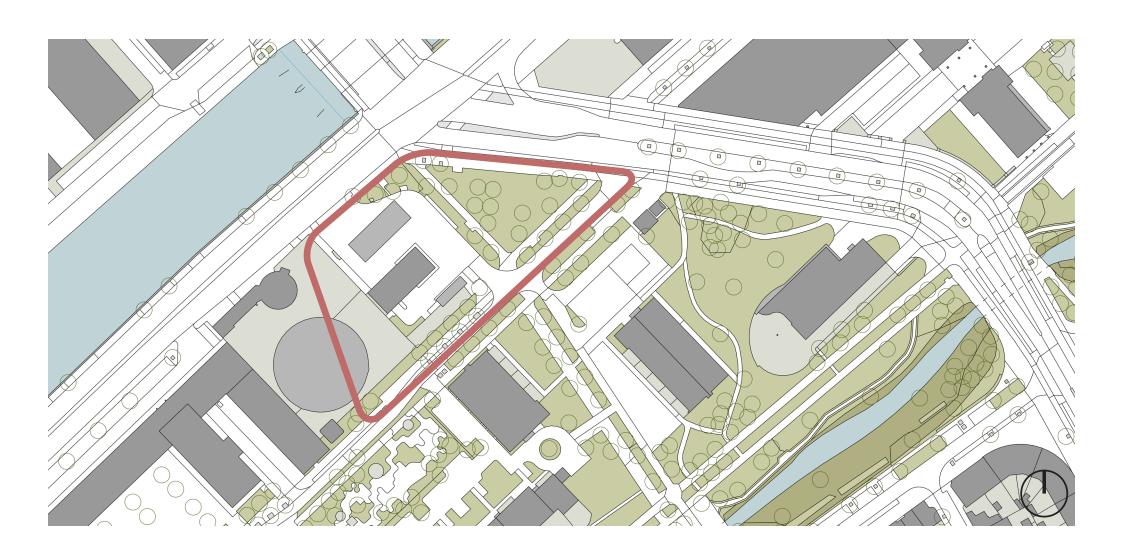
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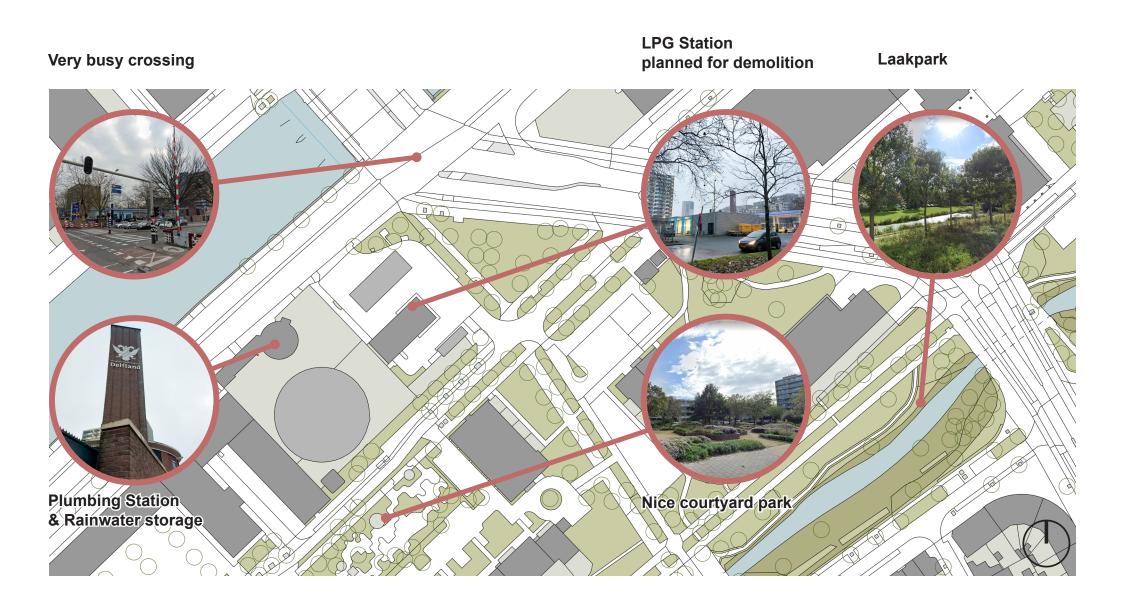
Site Selection



Plot



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Conceptual Massing

Environmental Factors



Central Location



Physical Activity



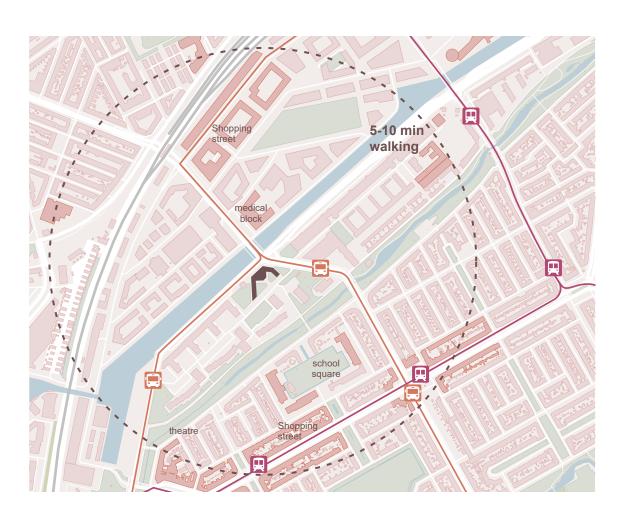
Views of Nature



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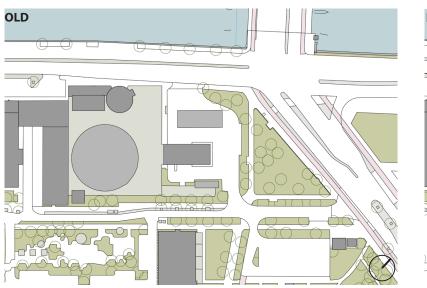


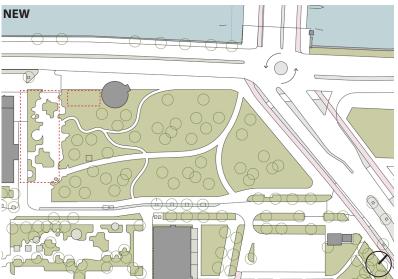


Noise

From semi-industrial area to green pedestrian friendly environment

Demolishment of gas station and old office block Plumbing station and rainwater storage underground Crossing becomes roundabout Park expansion





Conceptual Massing

Environmental Factors



Central Location



Physical Activity



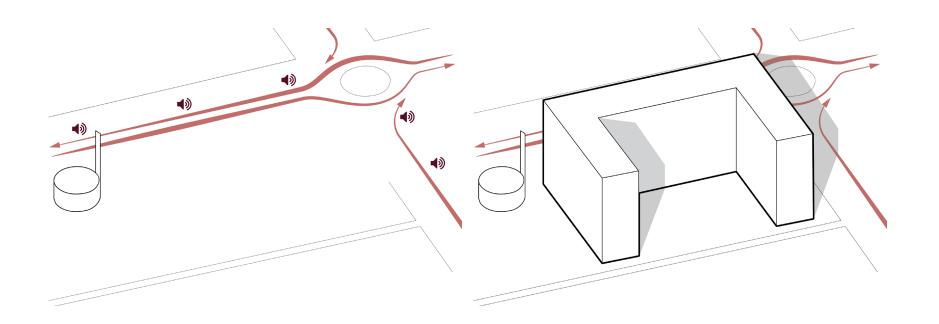
Views of Nature



Noise

From noisy street to **peaceful courtyard**

Building mass blocks traffic noise



Conceptual Massing

Environmental Factors



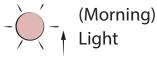
Central Location



Physical Activity



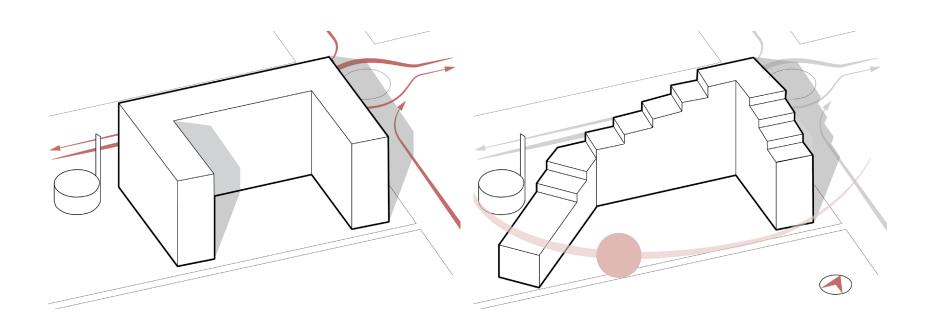
Views of Nature



Noise

From shaded square to **sunny terrace**

Building mass optimization for maximum sun exposure in the morning



Conceptual Massing

Building Factors



Social Spaces



Intergenerational Relationships



Dementia Spaces



Positive Distrations



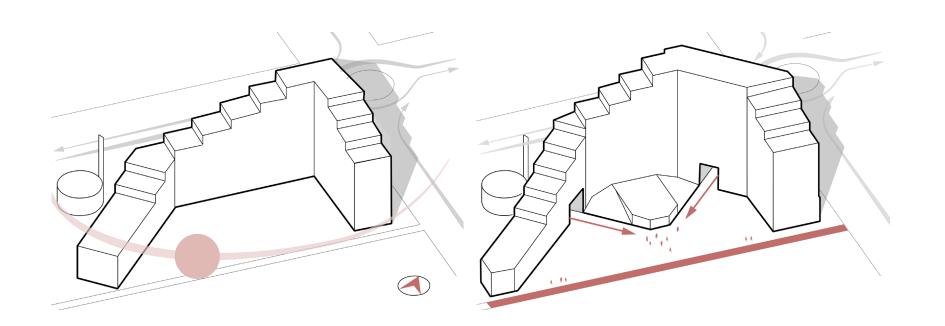
Outdoor Spaces



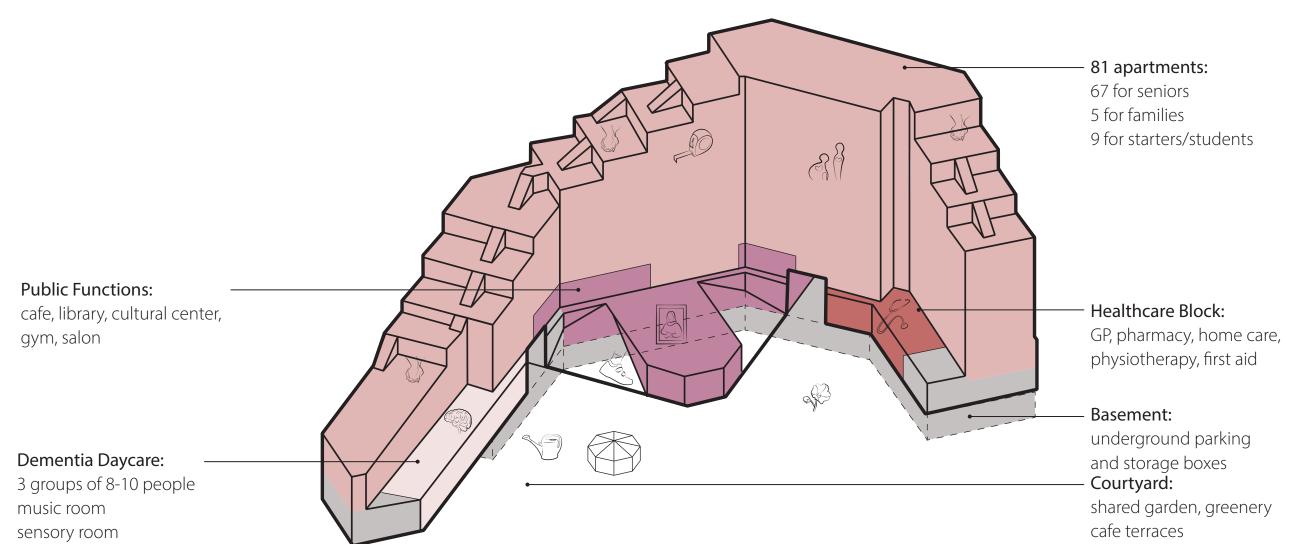
Staff Spaces

From empty square to **community meeting point**

Large gates and a human-sized cafe invites the neighborhood in



Project Brief



Site plan



Social Spaces



Intergenerational Relationships



Dementia Spaces



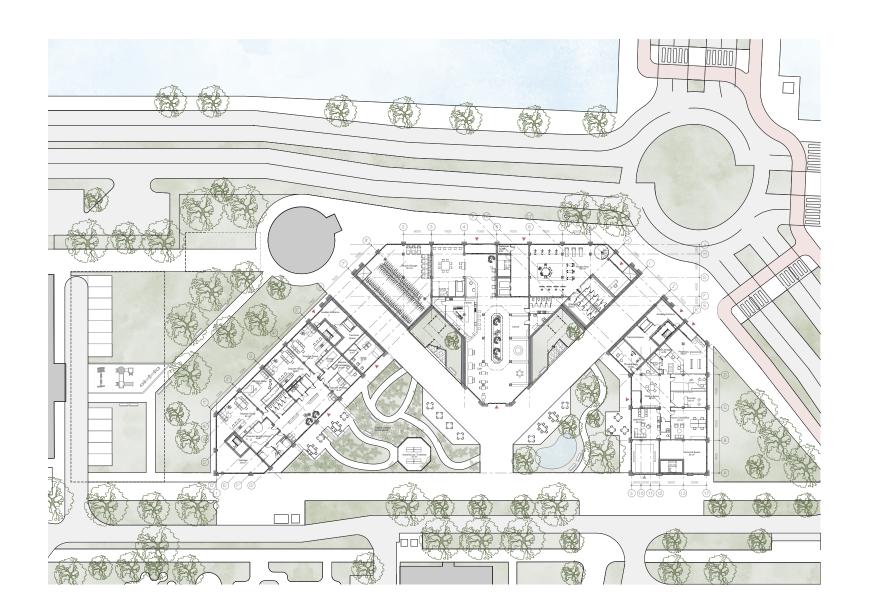
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Physical Activity



Cafe/Library



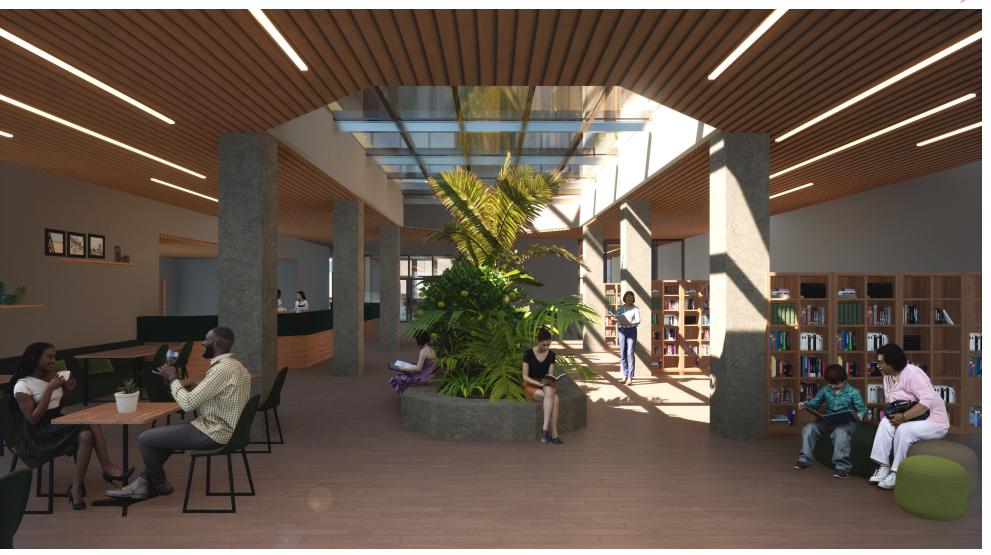
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Positive Distrations



Site plan

Building Factors



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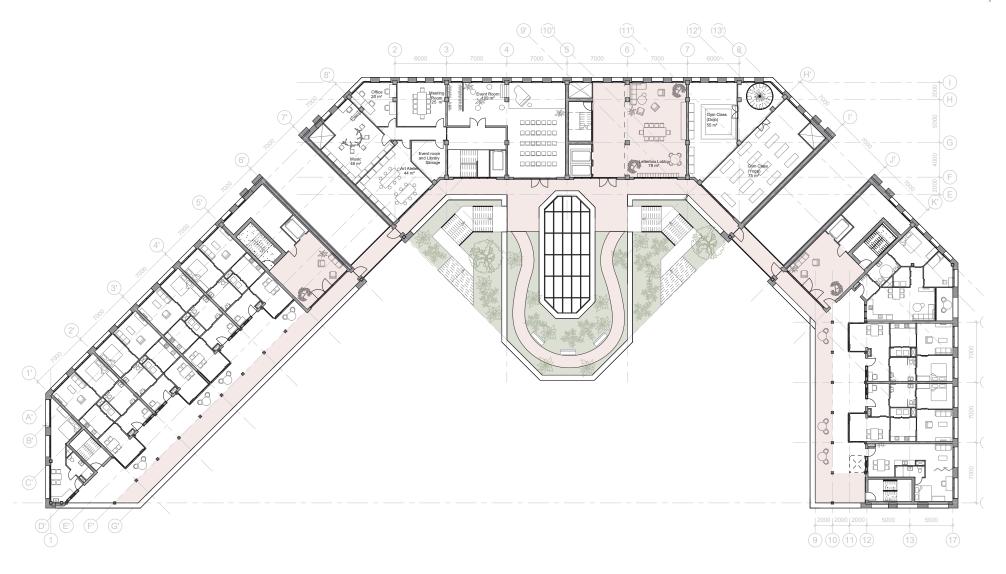
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Physical Activity



Courtyard - Render



Social Spaces



Physical Activity



Views of Nature



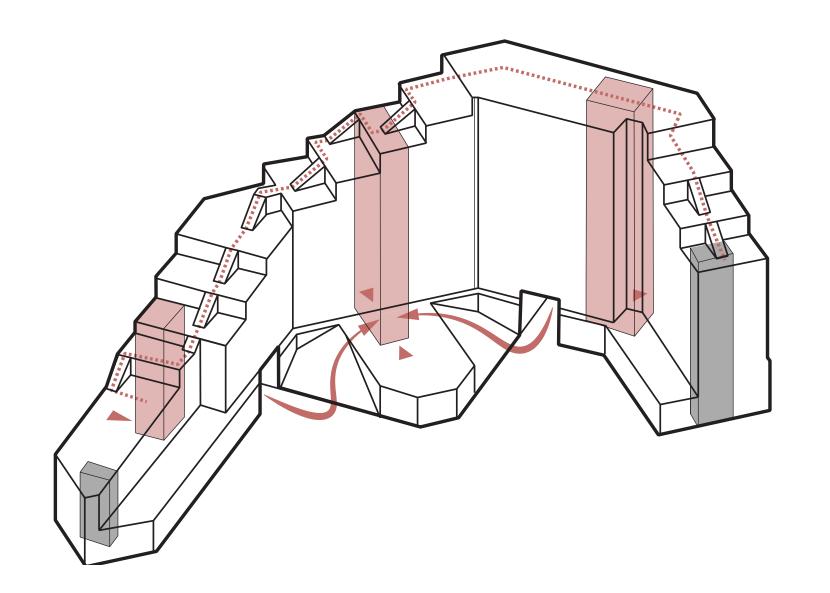
Circulation



Accessibility



Physical Activity

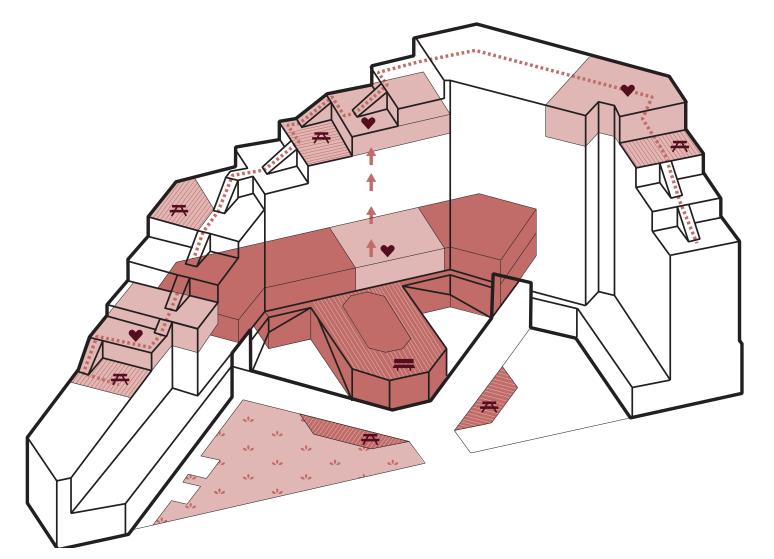


Common and Public Spaces



Social Spaces





Social Spaces

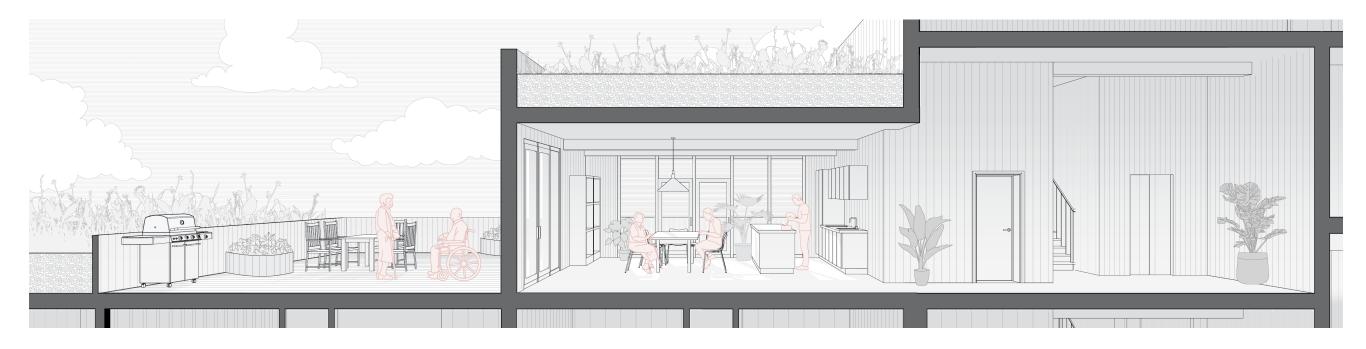


Homelike Environment



Social Spaces



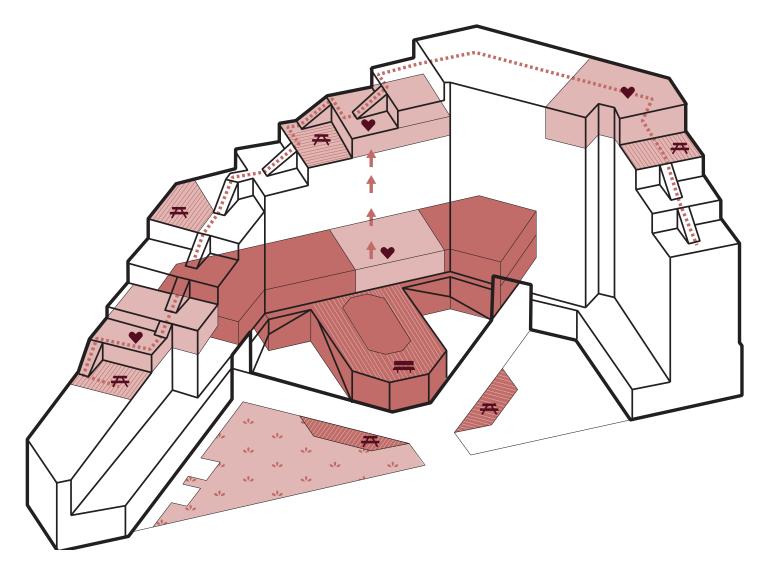


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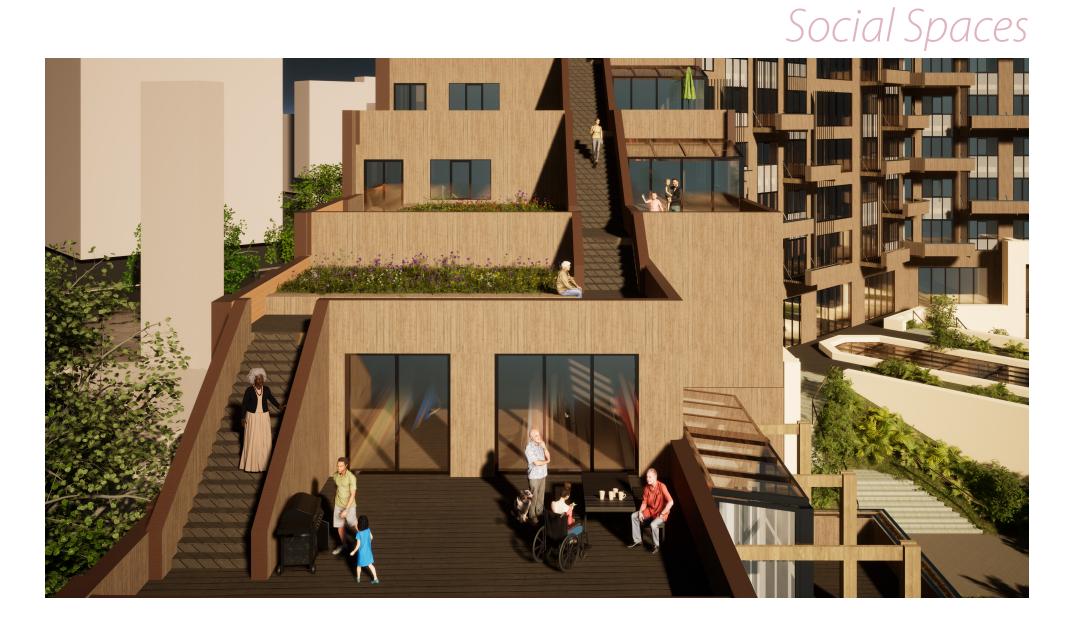
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Intergenerational Relationships



Typical Floor Plan



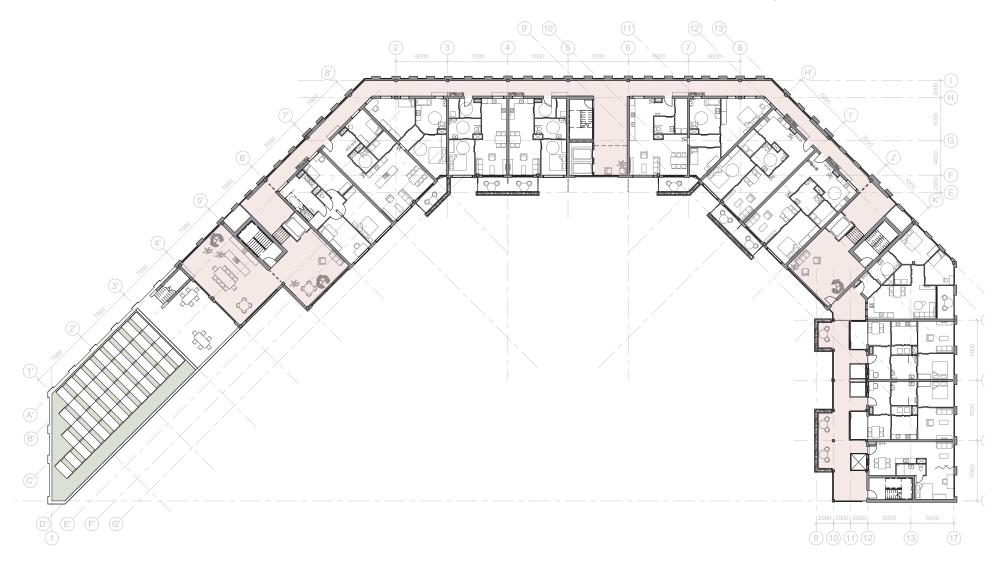
Social Spaces



Outdoor Spaces



Accessibility



Circulation



Morning Light

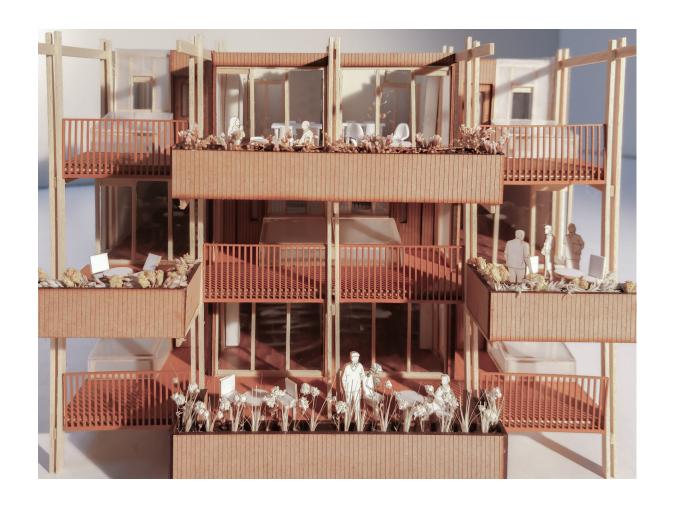


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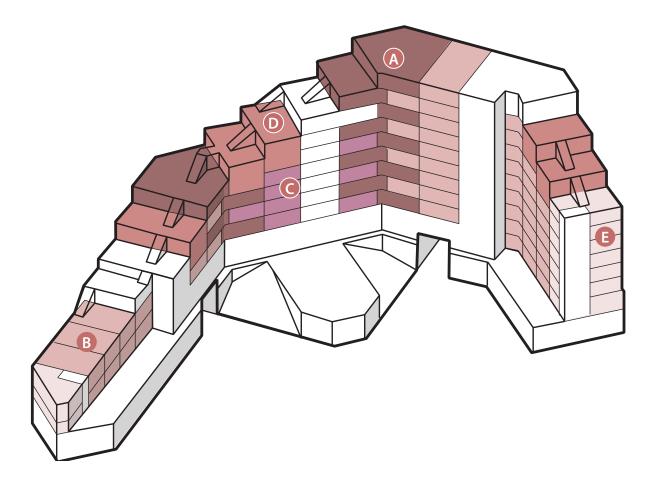
Housing Units



Intergenerational Relationships



Appropriate Size



- A Large senior 105 m² apartment 3/4 rooms
- B Standard senior apartment 2/3 rooms 72 m² 21 outside gallery 16 inside gallery 9 corner
- Small senior apartment 2 rooms 65 m² 8
- Family Maisonnette 145 m² 4/5 rooms 5
- Student/Starter Studio 1 room 45 m² 9

Housing Unit - Standard Senior - 72 m2



Morning Light



Appropriate Size



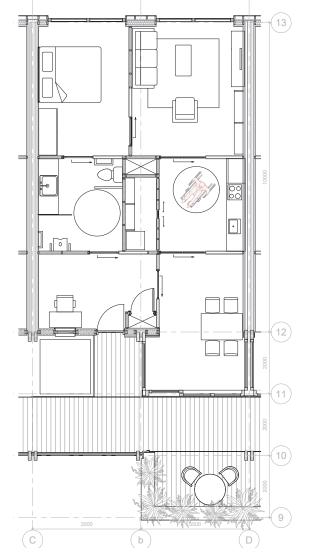
Outdoor Spaces



Accessibility



Privacy





Morning

Light



Appropriate Size



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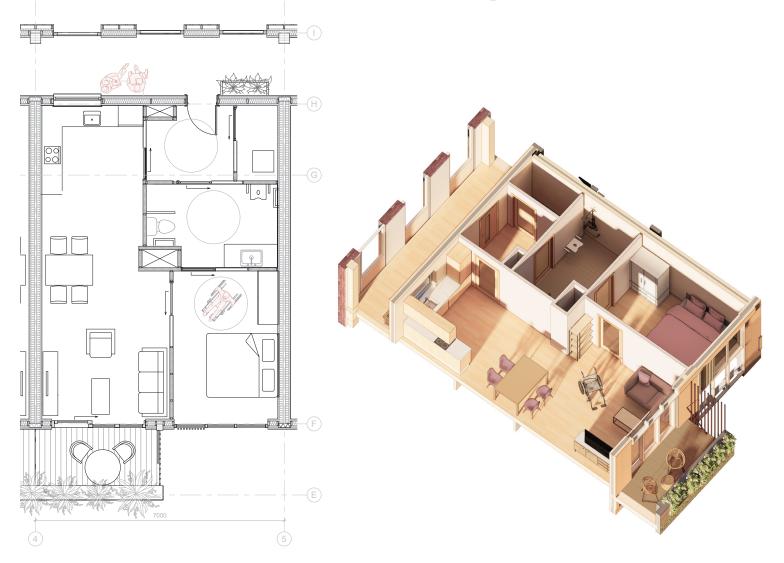


Accessibility



Social Spaces

Housing Unit - Small Senior - 65 m2





Morning Light



Appropriate Size



Outdoor Spaces



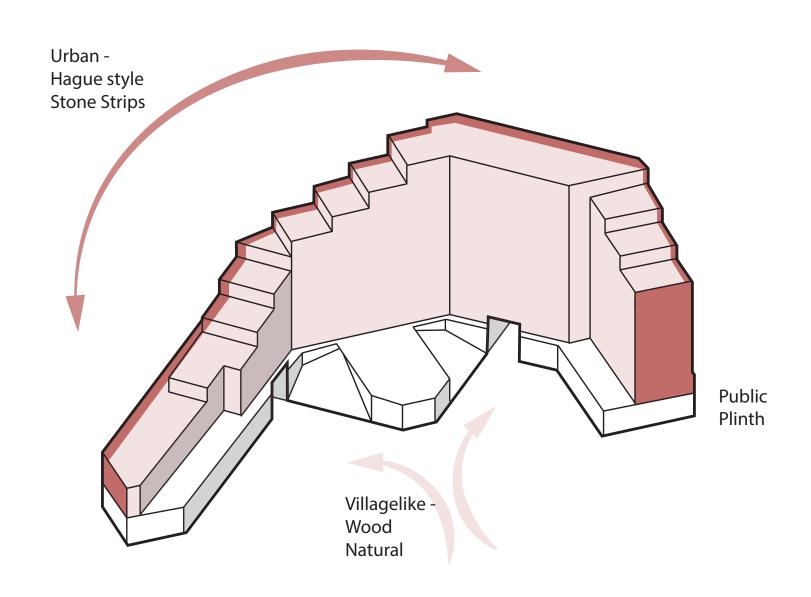
Accessibility



Home Ownership



Facades





Exterior Facade



Interior Facade



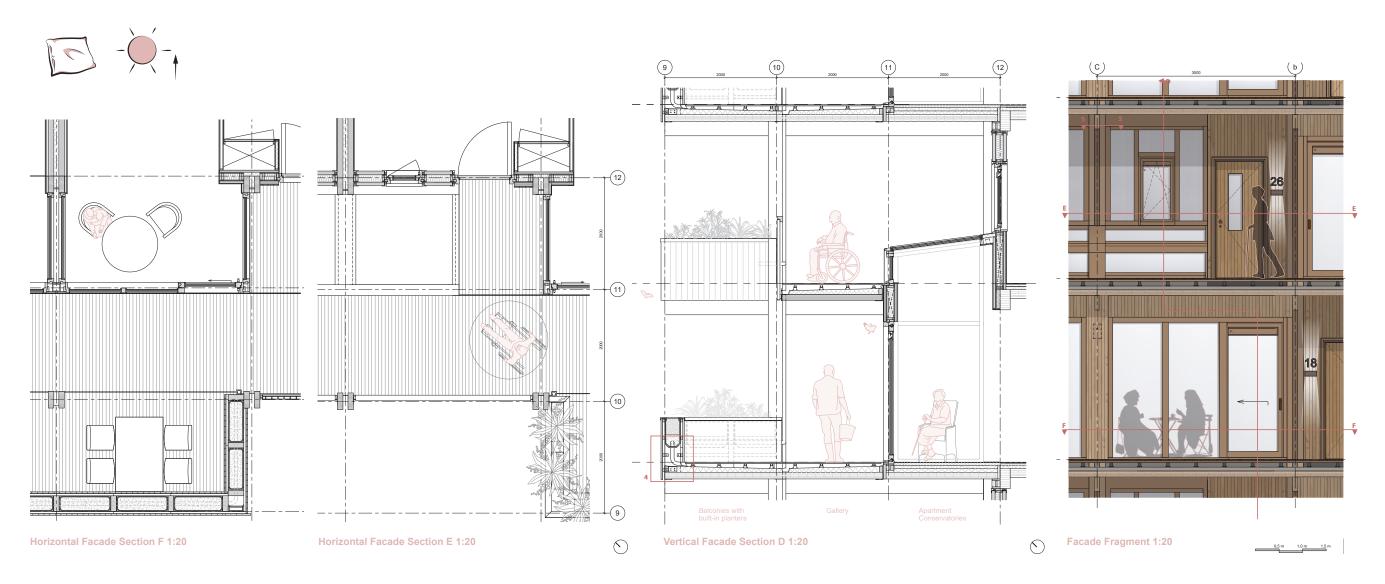
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Homelike Environment

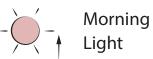


Interior Facade

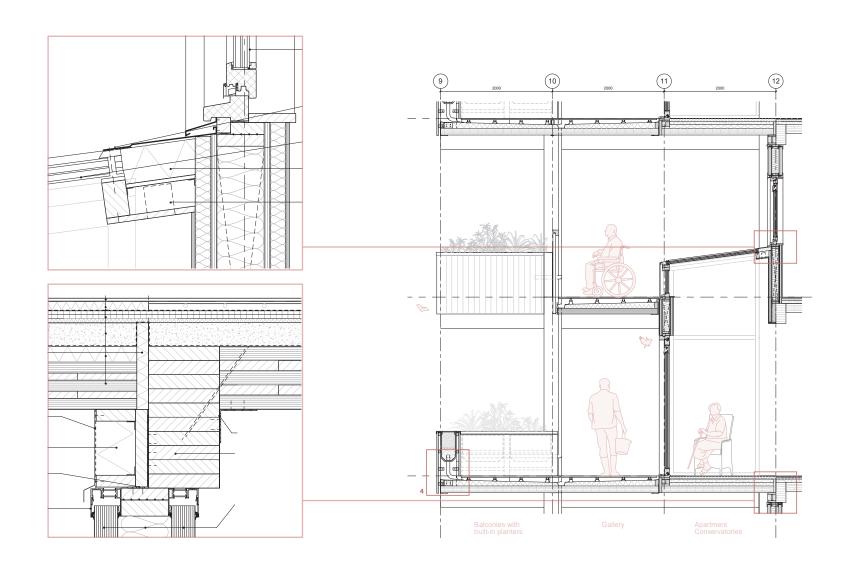


Interior Facade





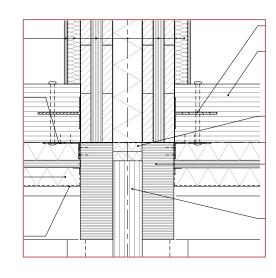


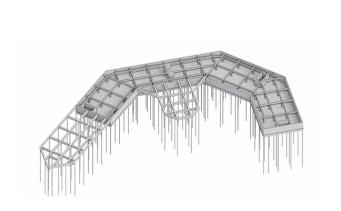


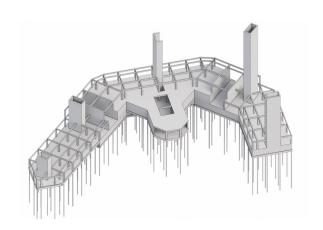
Structure

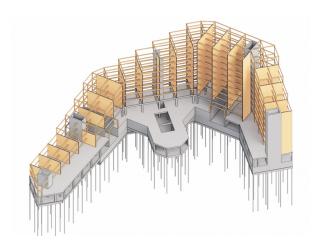
Concrete Basement, Plinth and Stability Cores

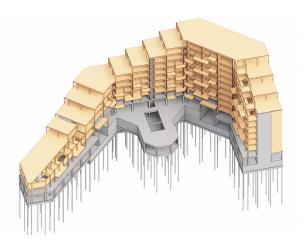
CLT Walls Glulam Floor Beams Auxillary Glulam Columns





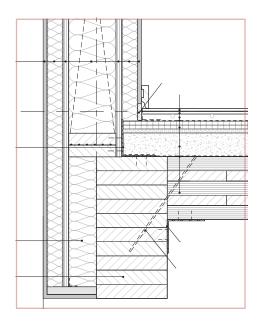






Climate







- Ventilation Type C in apartments
- 2 Ventilation Type D in plinth
- 3 2 AHU's at each gate on 1st floor
- 4 Individual apartment shafts for plumbing and ventilation are combined in plinth
- 5 The building is connected to the present district heating line
- Oistrict heating substation creates a secondary heating network for the building. During summer the hot water feeds a Sorption Cooler, which provides cold water for the AHU and the cooling network.
- During winter, warm water from the secondary heating network run through HIU and heats drinking wa and feeds the floor heating. During summer cold water from the cooling network feeds the floor heating.
- 8 The top roof is utilized for East-West facing PV panels placed on a moss roof
- Excess rainwater is drained into the underground water storage

Climate - roof functions

