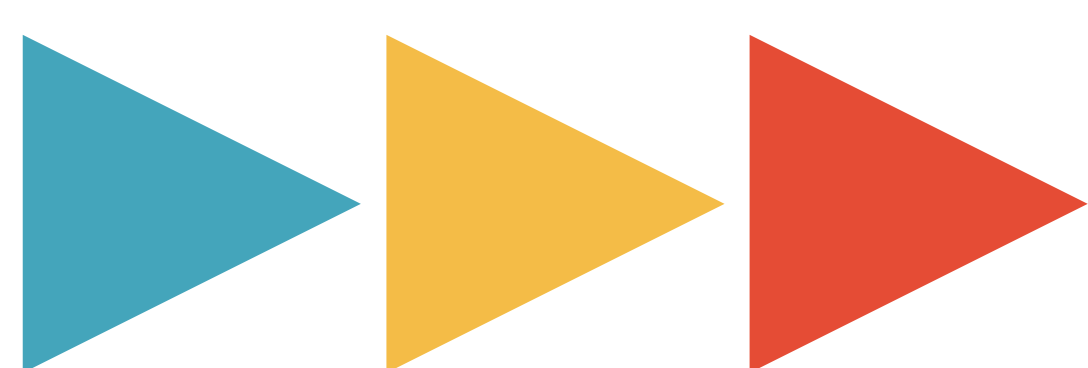


Welcome, neighbors!

Thank you for joining us to
review what we've
heard from you and
share feedback on
design concepts.



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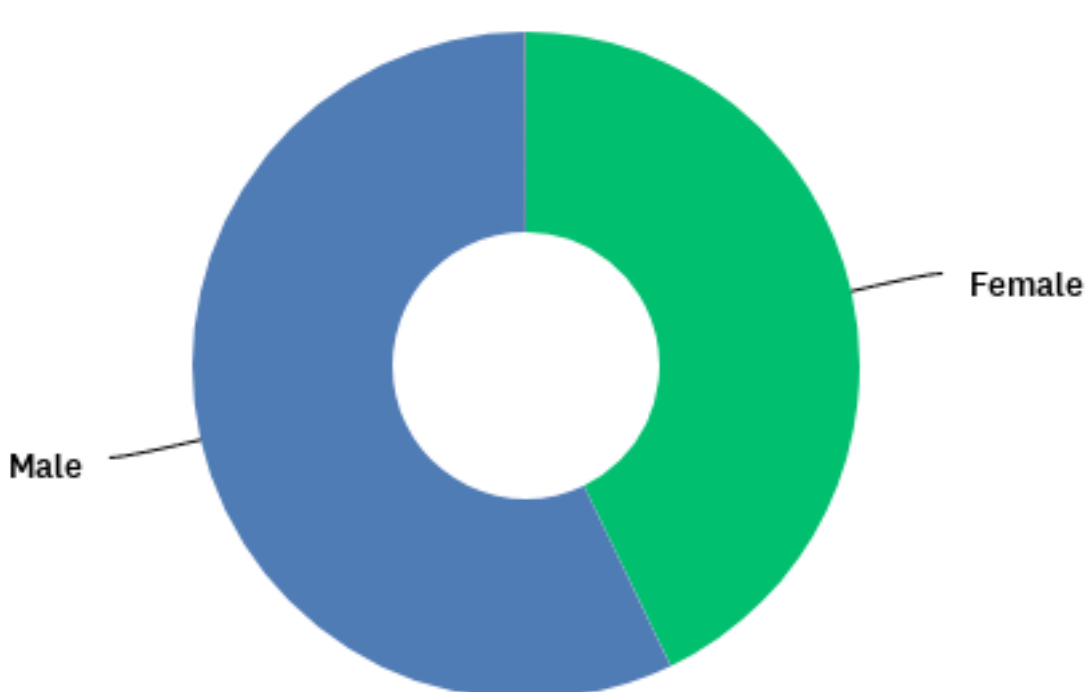
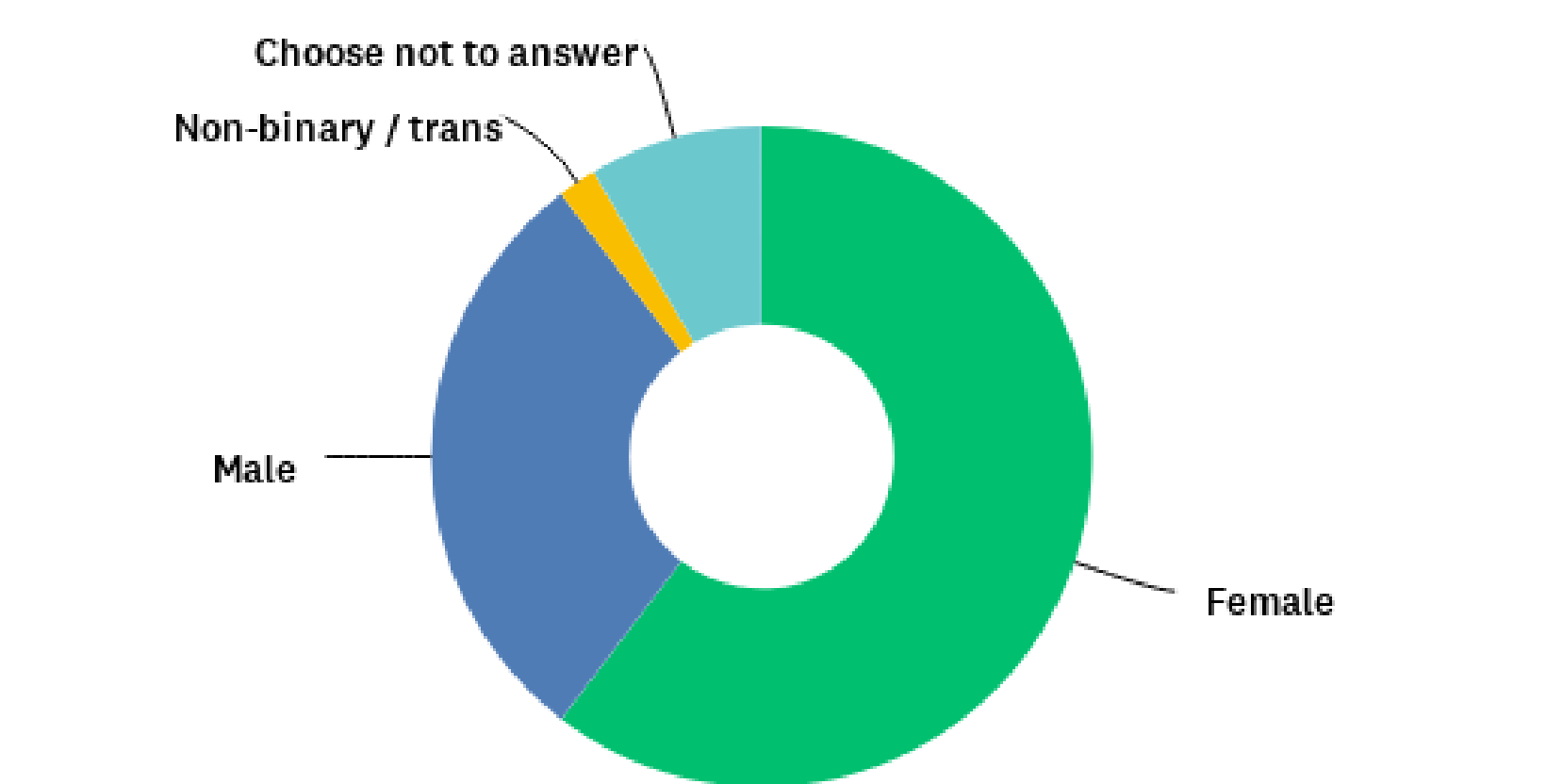
SURVEY RESULTS:

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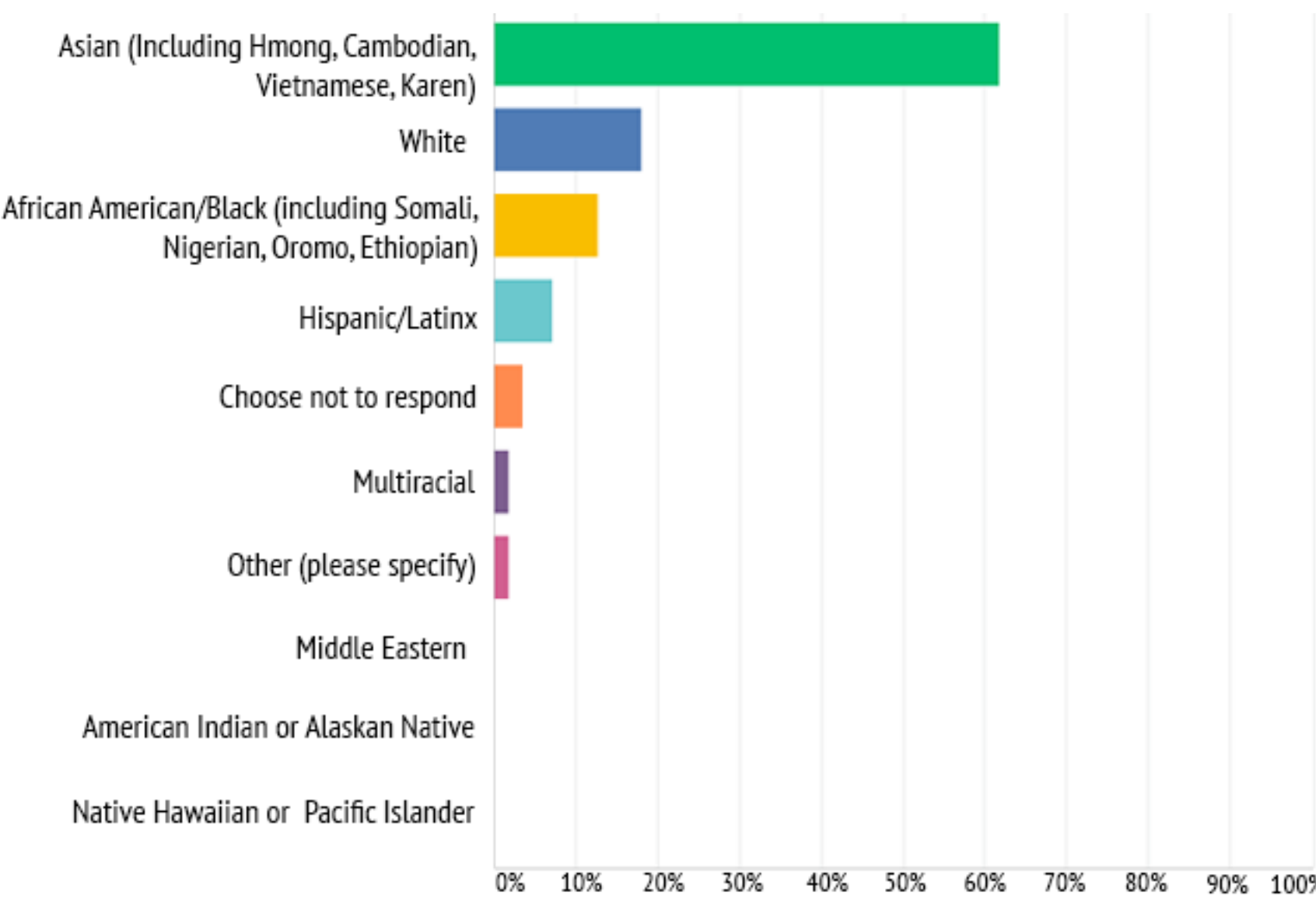
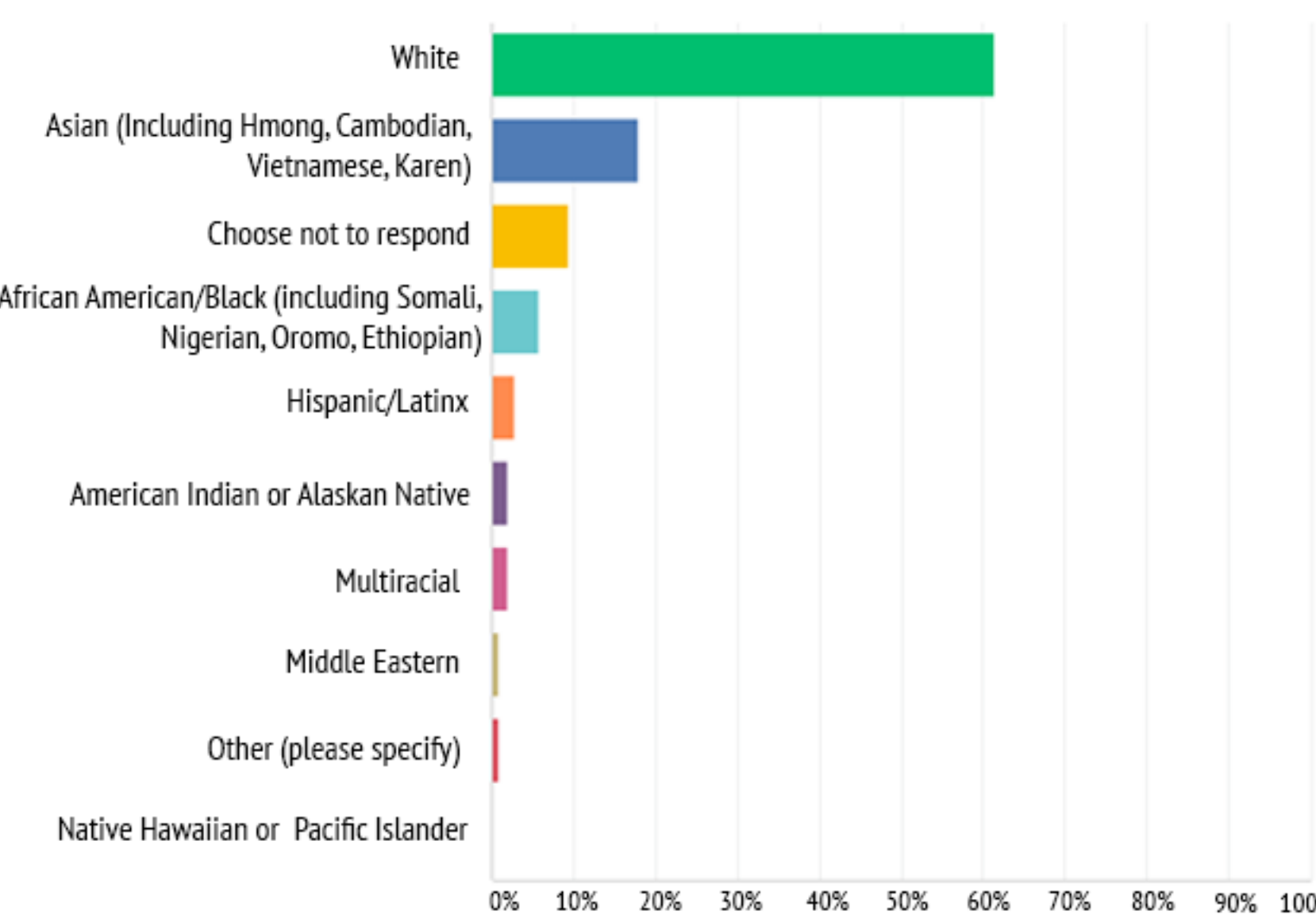
Online Survey Respondents
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Pop-up Survey Respondents
n: 59

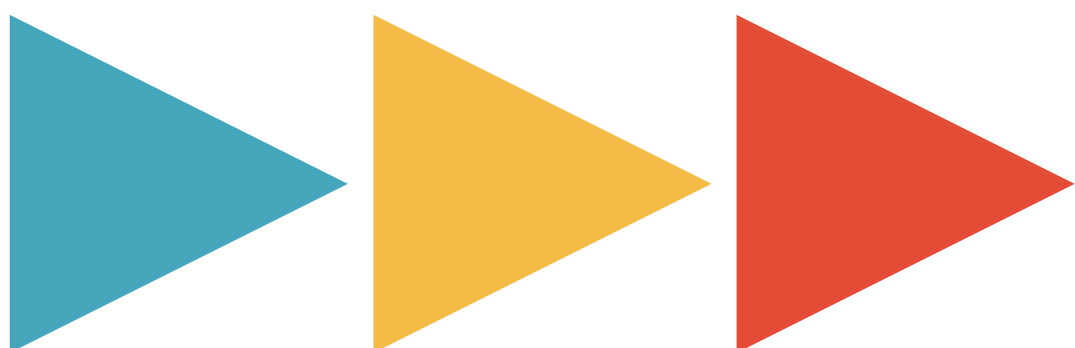
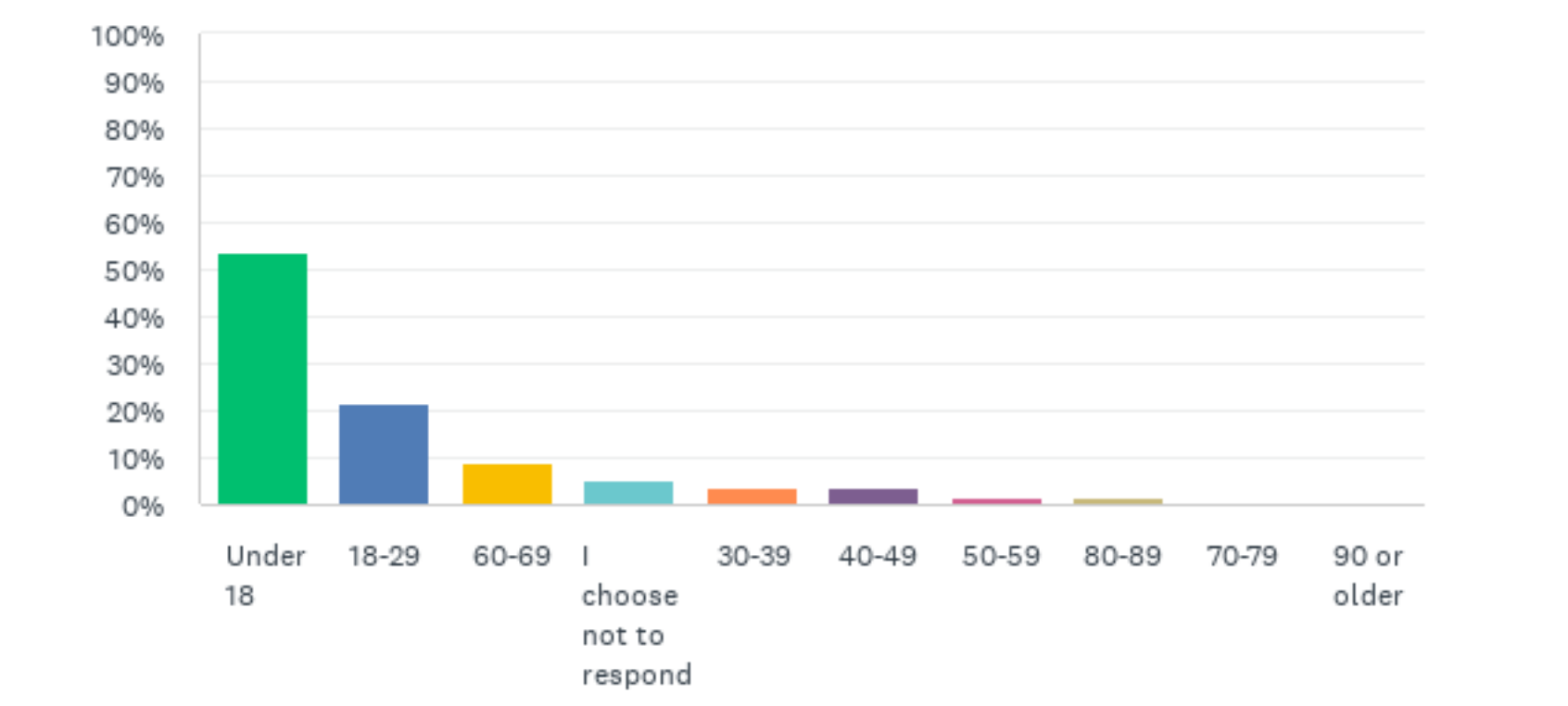
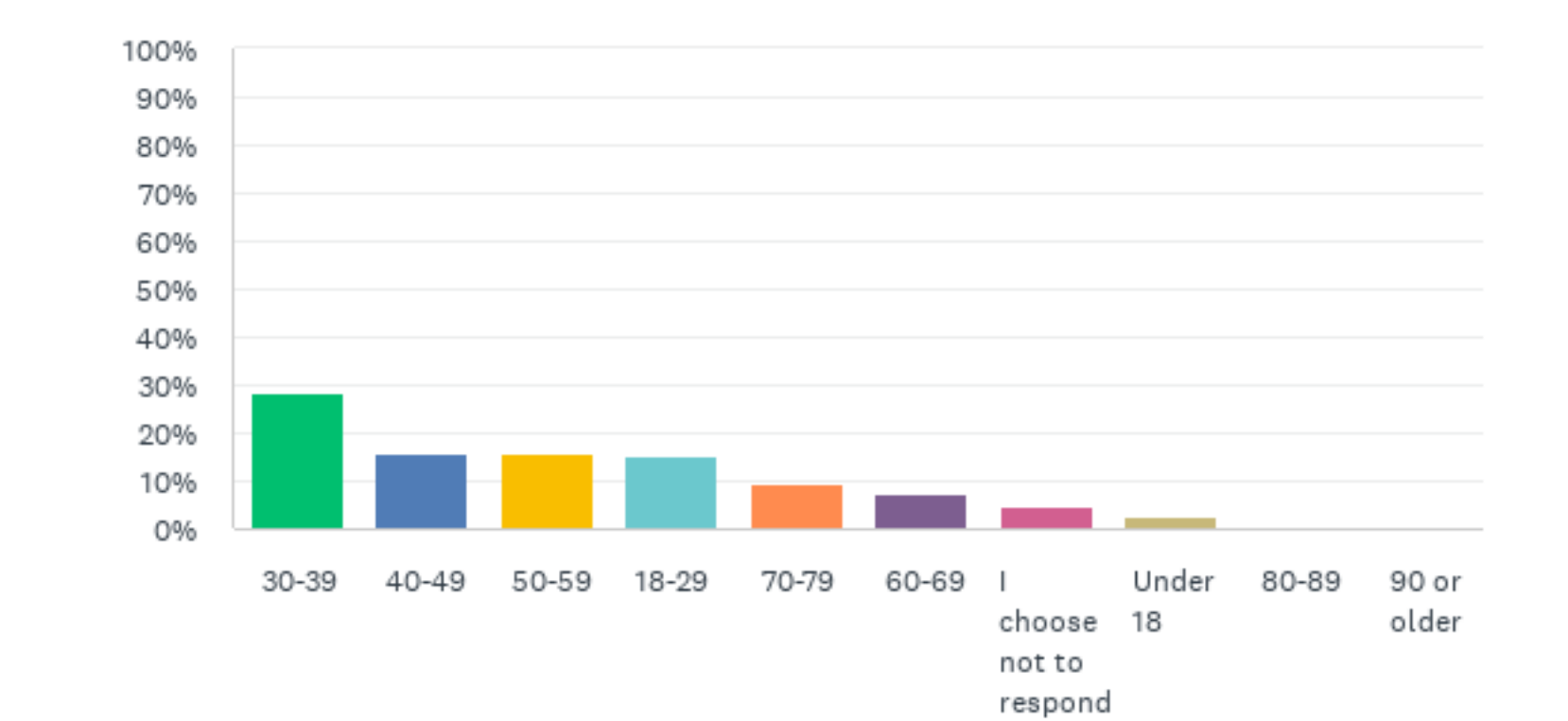
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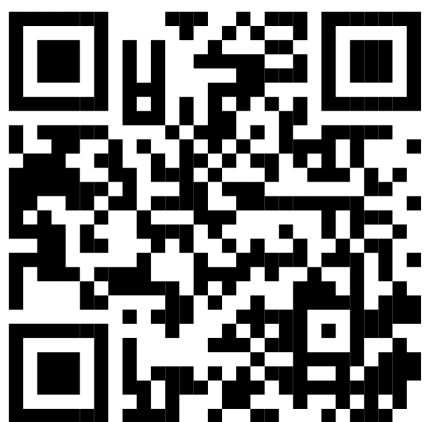
Race/Ethnicity



Age



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SURVEY RESULTS:

Summary

WE ASKED: What library features are most important to meeting the needs of the community?

WE HEARD:

**all
respondents**

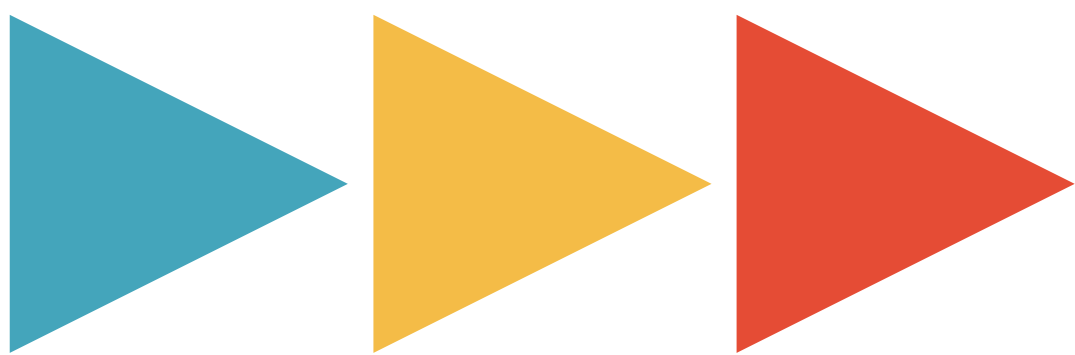
- A space that reflects the cultures in my community
- Sustainable and environmentally friendly libraries
- Increased access to books, music and movies
- Adding community meeting/program spaces and study rooms.

**BIPOC
respondents**

- A space that reflects the cultures in my community
- Improved technology

**respondents
under age 18**

- Increased access to books, music, and movies
- Sustainable and environmentally-friendly libraries
- Separation of quiet and loud spaces
- Improved accessibility
- Improved technology



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SURVEY RESULTS:

Summary

WE ASKED: How do you feel about adding green space for reading, relaxing, working, or programming?

WE HEARD:

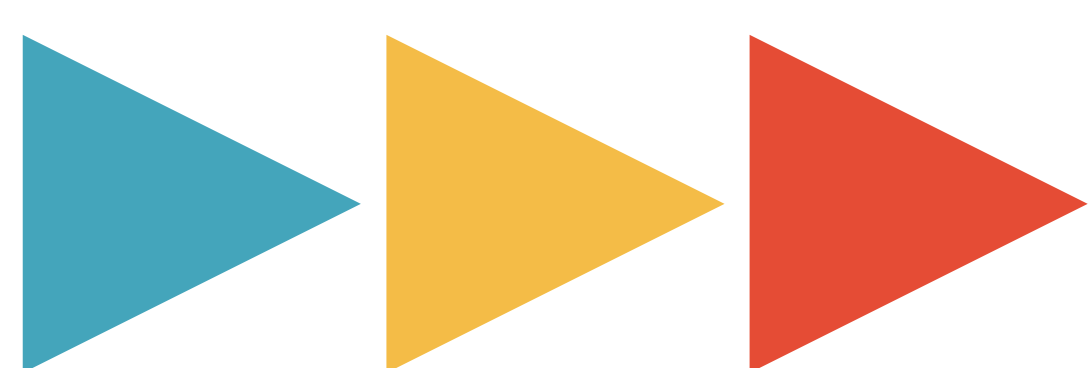
Across respondents, there is **strong community interest** in adding green space.

WE ASKED: How do you feel about the Automotive Special Collection at Hayden Heights?

WE HEARD:

While most respondents had no opinion on the automotive collection at Hayden Heights, **28% said they like having it at the library.**

Of BIPOC respondents, 33% said they like having it at the library.



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YOUTH-LED YOUTH ENGAGEMENT: Summary

Youth Recommendations for Hayden Heights Library

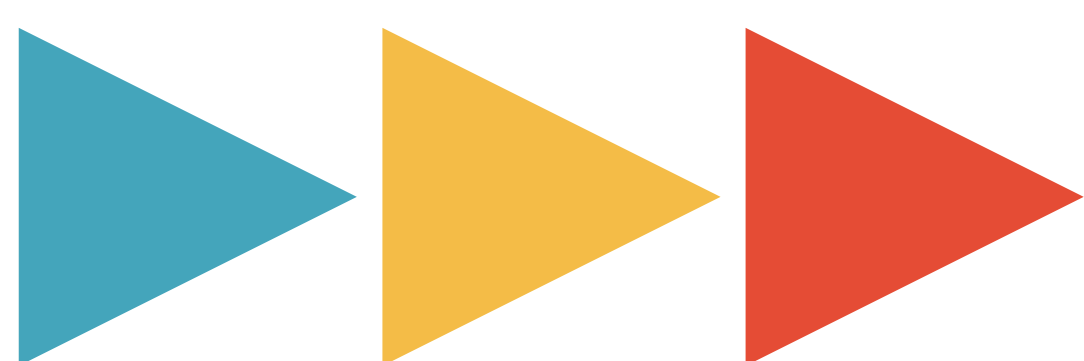
- Expand space to accommodate a variety of needs
- Make the library more vibrant, comfortable, and welcoming
- Reconfigure existing layout to increase usability and safety



Teens go to the library because they like getting new books and it is a quiet place to study and do homework - they can concentrate better at the library. It is also a safe place for teens to hang out with friends. Teens really appreciate the cool staff, the teen designated space which is separated from the younger kids, and the high chairs and tables. They also like the spaciousness, computer access, comfy chairs in the kids section, and volunteer opportunities. What keeps teens from going to the library are their busy schedules including work and sports other obligations at home, transportation challenges, lack of options of books and movies, weather, and COVID. Although there is a specific teen area, it is too small. More could be done for teens, to prepare teens for life after high school, to engage the full family.

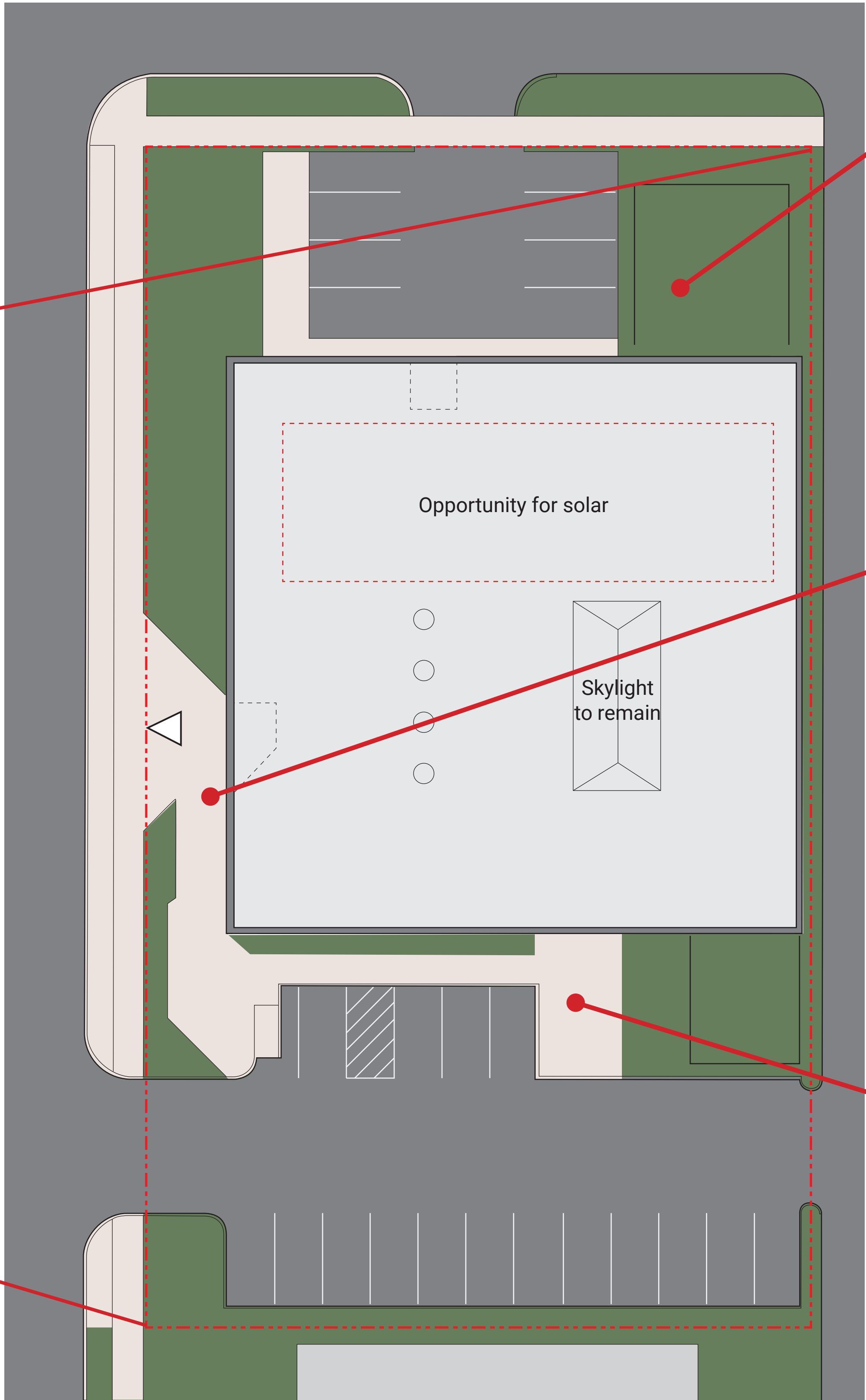
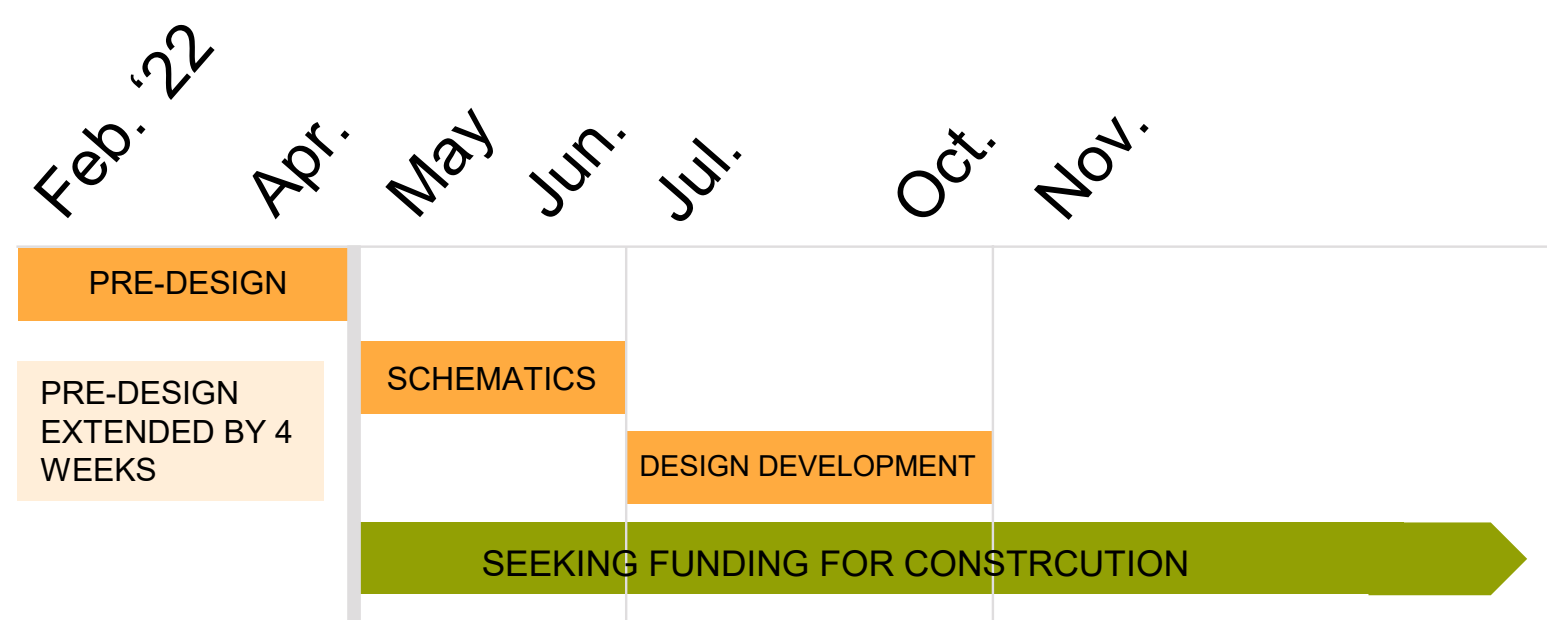


-Youth Leadership Initiative about Hayden Heights Library



Saint Paul Public Library Hayden Heights

Option A



Conceptual Site Plan A

Q: What is a "Conceptual Site Plan?"

A: Conceptual is the first phase of the project. The overall idea for the site is established, however there is still a significant opportunity for input in design.



90% of all survey respondents support the idea of adding **outdoor program** space. Programs such as a storytime, maker activities, reading and meeting space are expanded with the addition of enclosed outdoor space.



Site safety and maintenance upgrades include new site lighting, bike parking, cameras, and concrete and paving repairs.



New windows to improve the visibility and safety of the site, improve the daylighting and feel of the interior, and to create a connection from the parking lot to the automotive collection, a special collection to Saint Paul Public Library which is currently housed at Hayden Heights Library. Survey responses indicate patrons value having the automotive collection at Hayden Heights.

Hayden Heights

Option A



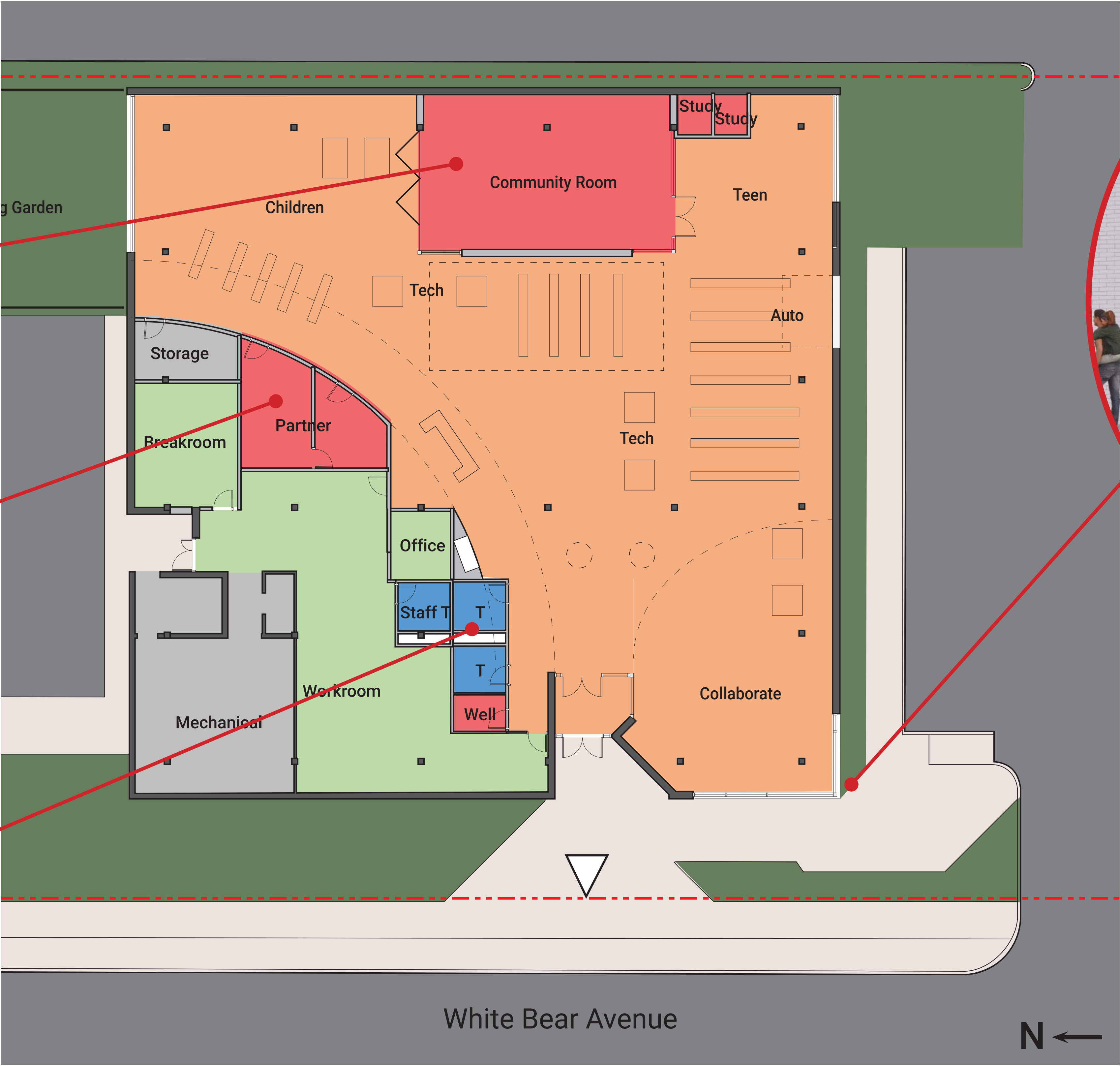
Technology-rich community room is shown centrally located for greater flexibility to support storytime, teen usage, and large group gatherings.



Based on survey responses and community need for **Libraries as Resilience Centers**, a flexible partner space has been incorporated into the plan. Potentially a clinic, social worker, and workforce development.



Equity and safety are improved with new single user gender-inclusive and accessible restrooms, relocated to improve sightlines for library staff.



New and **expanded windows** adds interest and improve security to White Bear Avenue, while creating opportunities to connect unique library features like the auto collection to the site.

Conceptual Floor Plan A

The estimated cost is within the Library Transformations project budget.

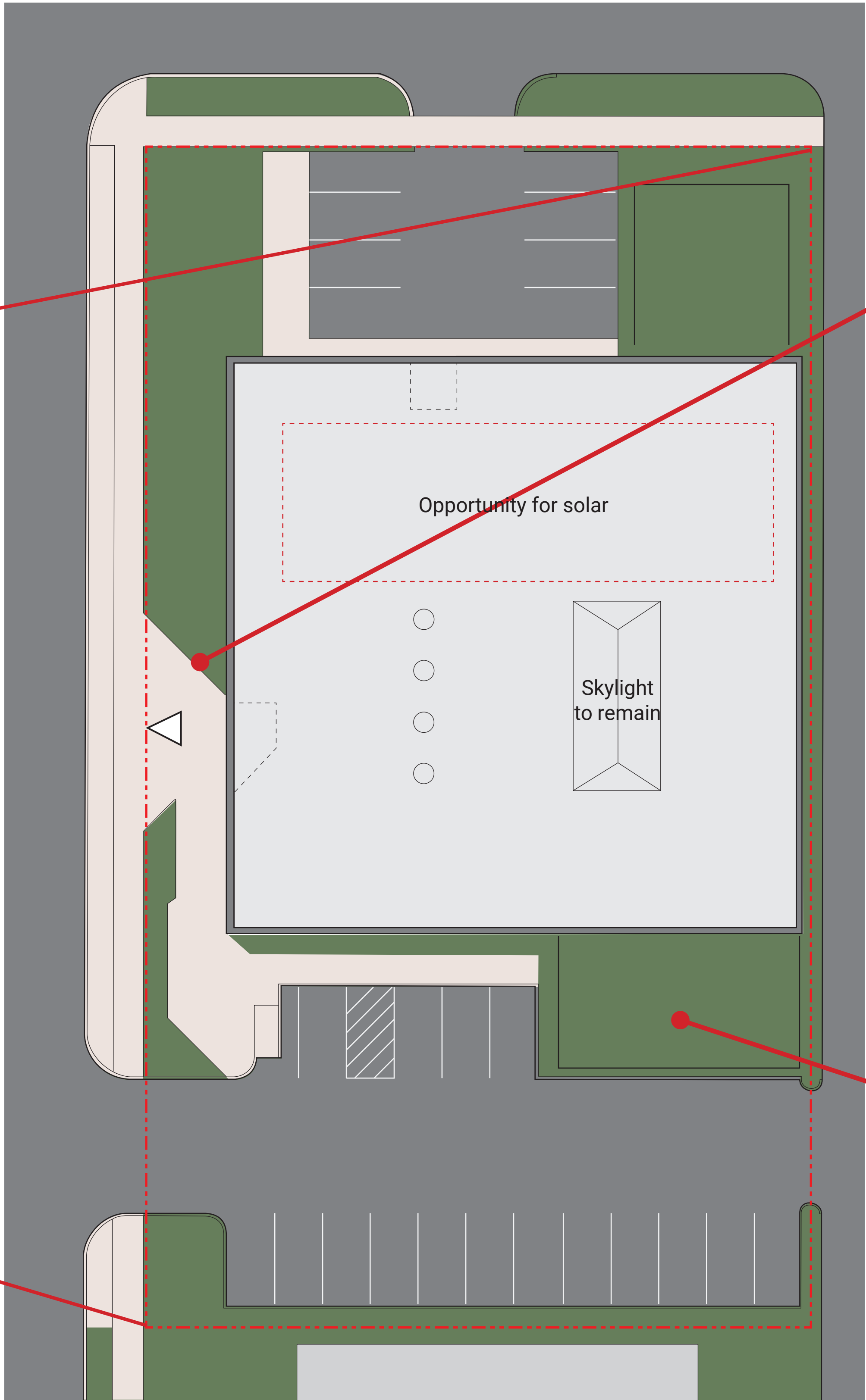
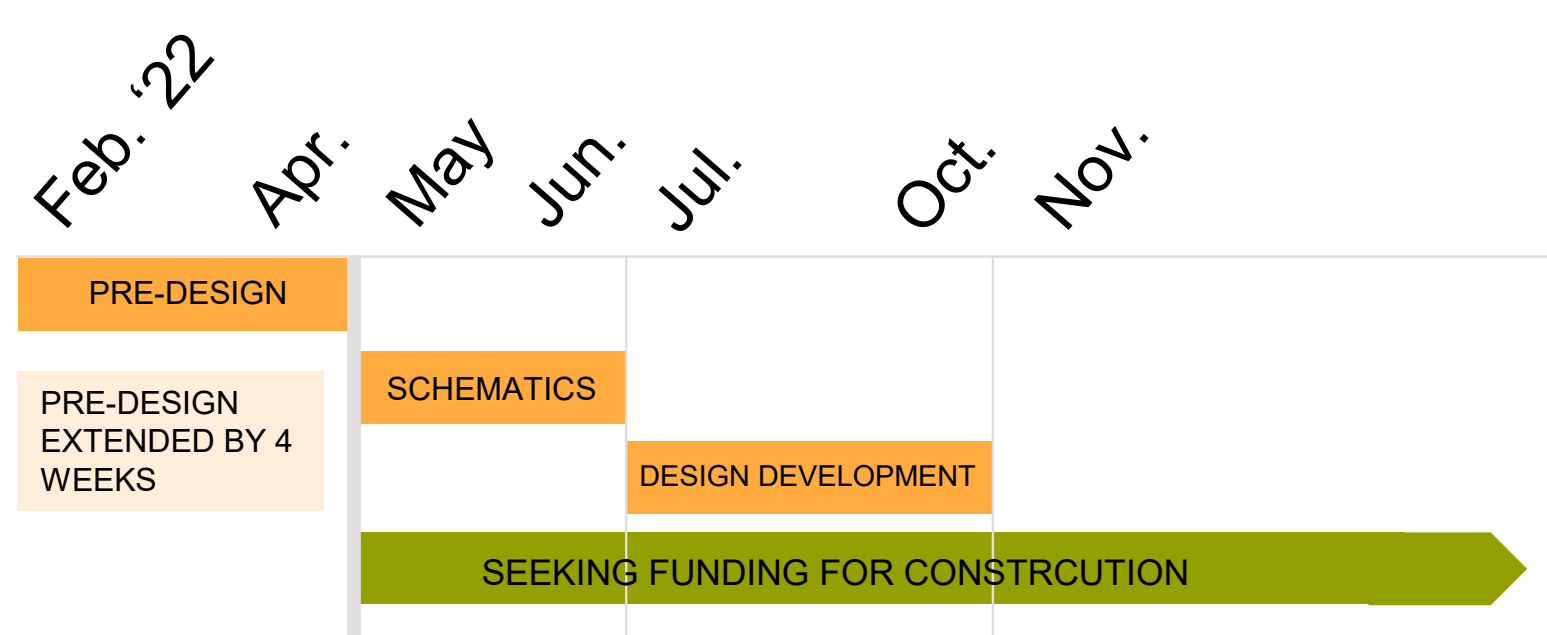
Q: What is a “conceptual floor plan?”

A: Conceptual is the first phase of the project. The overall idea for the building layout is established however there is still a significant opportunity for input in design.



Saint Paul Public Library Hayden Heights

Option B



Conceptual Site Plan B

Q: What is a "Conceptual Site Plan?"

A: Conceptual is the first phase of the project. The overall idea for the site is established, however there is still a significant opportunity for input in design.



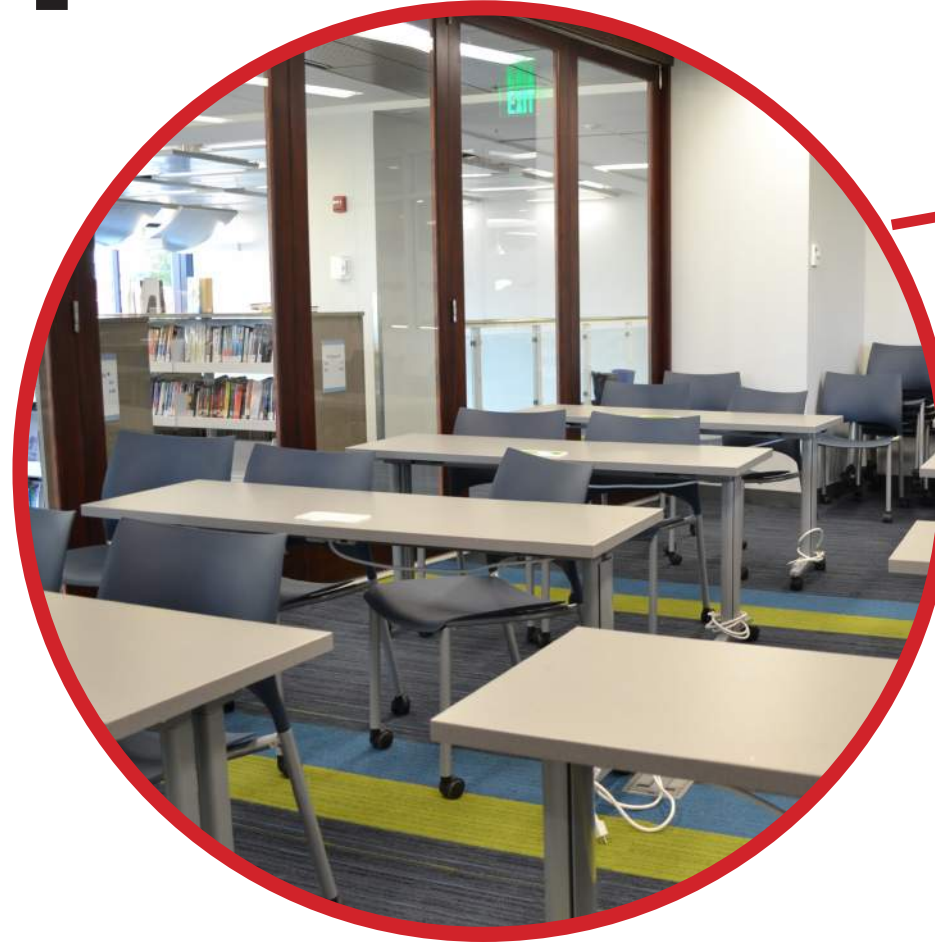
Safety and maintenance upgrades include new site lighting, bike parking, cameras, and concrete and paving repairs.



90% of those surveyed supported the idea of adding **outdoor space** to support library programming, reading, and meeting space.

Hayden Heights

Option B



Technology-rich community room is shown on the exterior of the building providing access to exterior space.



Equity and safety are improved with new single user gender-inclusive and accessible restrooms, relocated to improve sight-lines for library staff.



Based on survey responses and community need for **Libraries as Resilience Centers**, a flexible partner space has been incorporated into the plan. Potentially a clinic, social worker, or workforce development.



New and **expanded windows** adds interest and improve security to White Bear Avenue, while creating opportunities to connect unique library features like the auto collection to the site.

Conceptual Floor Plan B

The estimated cost is within the Library Transformations project budget.

Q: What is a “conceptual floor plan?”

A: Conceptual is the first phase of the project. The overall idea for the building layout is established however there is still a significant opportunity for input in design.



Which features are most important to you?

What excites you about either option?

What questions do you have?

Option A



Based on Surveys, more than 90% of all respondents support the idea of developing outdoor library program space. Option A shows the opportunity for **two separate outdoor spaces**. One is located adjacent to, and accessed through, the Children’s area to support use for story time, play and learn, and maker activities. **The second is located adjacent to the Teen area but accessible for all library users**, providing an acoustically separated space.

The community room is shown in the center of the library, with operable walls that open into both the Children’s and the Teen areas. This flexibility allows the community room to be utilized throughout the day for programs such as storytime, guest author readings, large group meetings, educational programs and more. When it is not reserved, the operable wall could remain open for library patrons to utilize for quiet reading or focused work. Added community and meeting space was the top request we heard during engagement.

In support of Libraries as Resilience Centers, **a flex/partner space has been included**. Needs for flexible and potential partner space can be met by providing access to a classroom/large group meeting space, technology, sinks, small consultation rooms, and a potential private or transaction type space.

Added and expanded windows which improve the visibility of the library, create a more comfortable and welcoming environment, and contribute to the overall safety of the site. **This option suggest a seating and work area be located at the new expansive corner window.**

A parking spot is indicated outside of an area that the automotive collection may be located within the library. **This adjacently allows for additional automotive related programs to be supported at this site.** For respondents aware of the Saint Paul Public Library Automotive Collection, it is an appreciated and valued resource.

Share your comments here

Option B



Based on Surveys, more than 90% of all respondents support the idea of developing outdoor library program space. **Option B shows the opportunity for two separate outdoor spaces**. One is located adjacent to, and accessed through, the Children’s area to support use for story time, play and learn, and maker activities. The second is **located adjacent to the Community Room which has the potential of expanding event space**, while also support all library users and providing an acoustically separated space for patrons.

The **community room is shown in this option adjacent to an exterior wall to support the option for a connection to outdoor space** and an option for after hour use should that be desired at some point in the future. When it is not reserved, the operable wall could remain open for library patrons to utilize for quiet reading or focused work. Added community and meeting space was the top request we heard during engagement.

In support of Libraries as Resilience Centers, a **Flex/Partner space** has been located near the front door in this option. Needs for flexible and potential partner space can be met by providing access to a classroom/large group meeting space, technology, sinks, small consultation rooms, and a potential private or transaction type space.

Added and expanded windows which improve the visibility of the library, create a more comfortable and welcoming environment, and contribute to the overall safety of the site.

The **new expansive corner window activates White Bear Avenue with views into a new Teen Space**. Youth led engagement shared a desire for a Teen space that is separated from younger kids.

Criteria for Determining a Design Direction

- Community input
- Building assessments
- Project budget
- Saint Paul's strategic goals for libraries, sustainability, equity and inclusion, and fiscal responsibility
- SPPL's vision for library facilities that:
 - Are safe, inviting, affirming, and comfortable libraries for people of all cultures, abilities, and communities
 - Have improved accessibility
 - Have additional spaces and study rooms for communities to gather, work, study, and collaborate
 - Separate quiet and loud spaces
 - Have enhanced play and learn spaces
 - Are technology-rich environments

City administration will share a decision with the community in May. From there, the community engagement and design process continues.

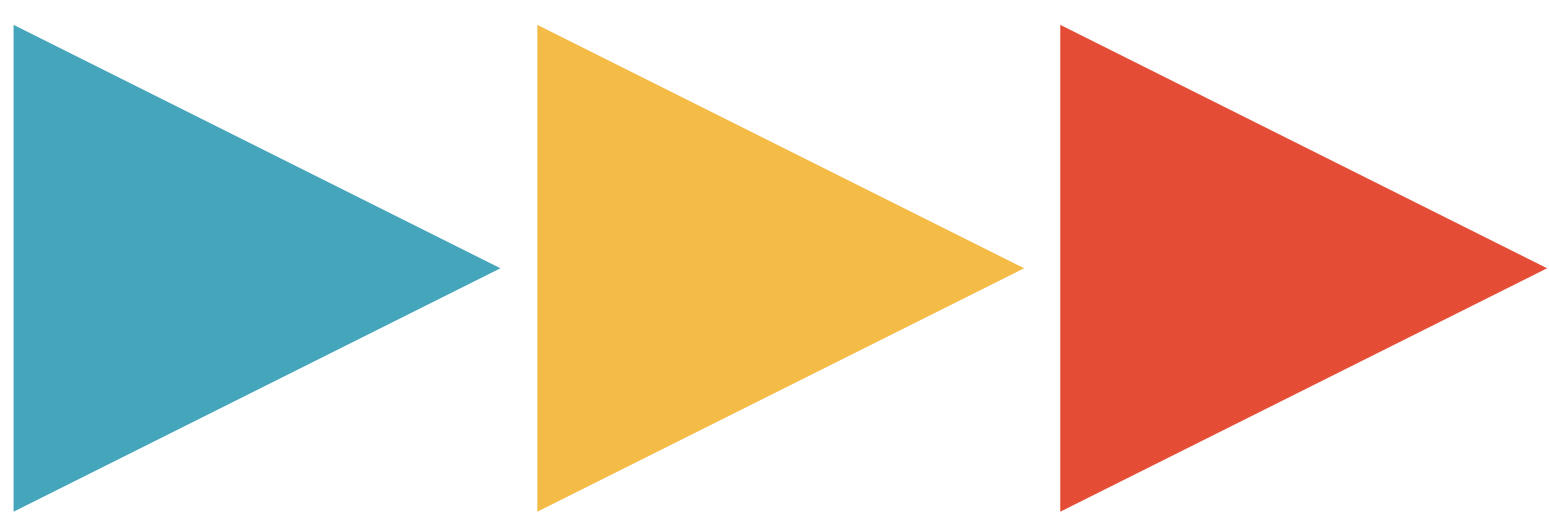


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