



SOMERSET VILLAGE

Planning & Vision Workbook - Notes & Illustrations



Imagine a home in a community that
is welcoming, secure and sustainable.

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LONGMONT, COLORADO

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The **Envision Longmont Goals** provide a framework and vision for the planning of Somerset Village - blending the needs and desires of Longmont residents with best practices in sustainability and community design - to provide value and choices for future residents.

Longmont Goals that form Guiding Principles for planning Somerset Village include:

- Develop in areas of change with new dwellings.
- Provide greater opportunities for home ownership.
- Target energy conservation principles and new energy technologies.
- Plan livable, self-sustaining neighborhoods.

CREATE LASTING VALUE

During the planning process the planning team is focusing on **people-centric design of homes and amenities - supported by sustainable technologies. This can provide lasting value and least cost over time**

Value-actions:

- > Create a true sense of place and belonging.
- > Avoid 'trendy' decisions - focus on decisions that create timeless value.
- > Create enduring character and quality for residents of all walks of life.
- > Counter sprawl with compact development integrated with open and usable space.

PLAN FOR FUTURE ADAPTABILITY

The value of this place is how it appeals and works for today's and tomorrow's homeowner.

- > Integrate sustainable technology applications and value-added design elements into the planning process.
- > Design-in flexibility to provide a community framework that is adaptive to people's changing needs while maintaining the long-term vision of the Village.
- > Prepare guidelines that maintain a quality and vibrant community character.
- > Incorporate energy conservation in building design.
- > Support non-fossil fuel vehicles and multi-modal transportation options.

PLAN A PLACE TO GROW

Plan infrastructure that will support a community of diversity and those who aspire to live in unity.

- > Plan for community facilities that support multi-modal transportation; early child development, community gathering and health/wellness.
- > Plan a safe and walkable environment encouraging people to spend time in various locations throughout the village.
- > Plan for "porch front living" - to support interactive gathering with neighbors.
- > Design attractive, affordable, energy conservative homes that live larger than their footprint through innovative plans that appeal to a range of people.



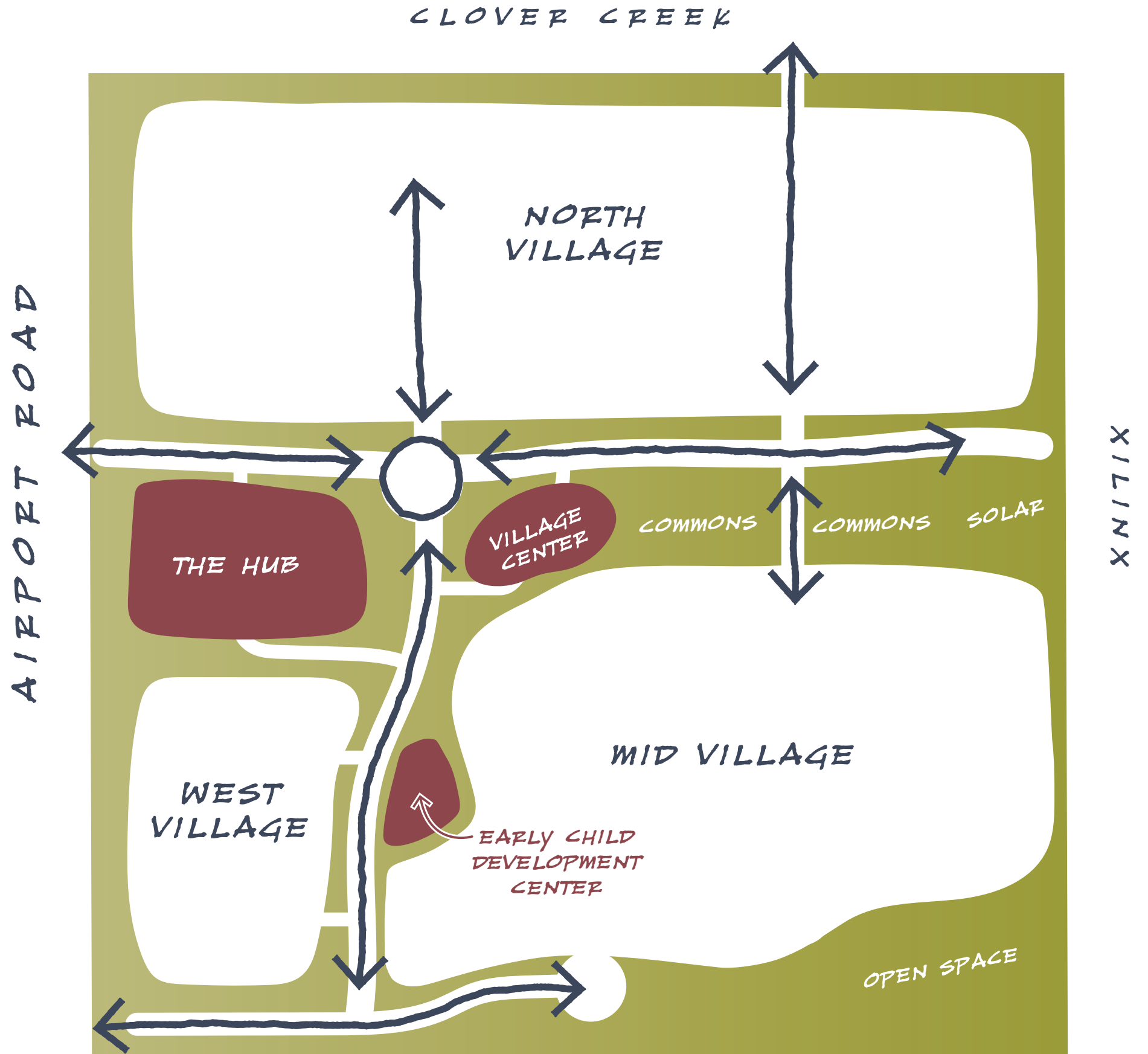
INITIAL CONCEPTS

Traditional neighborhood compact patterns of development have been integrated with energy conservation & sustainable design in the initial planning stages of the Village. Best practices and the values from these traditions add to the resident's quality of life.

- Multi-generational
- Shared Spaces
- Walkable & Connected
- Conversation
- Warmth of Hearth & Home

VILLAGE PLACE-MAKING

A traditional street and sidewalk system establish an easily understood pattern for the Village. From the main entrance on Airport road & Village Drive, community facilities are arrayed along what is the backbone of the community. At the entrance - the Hub will provide the prime mobility interface and daily support for residents with a transit and ride-share plaza and general store. Past the roundabout on Village Drive the Village Center in the 1st repurposed residence provides meeting, game and exercise facilities as part of the Community Commons. East of the Green a solar array is planned, providing off grid energy for community use and export. South of the Village Center in the Middle Neighborhood the Early Childhood Development Center is planned in the 2nd repurposed Kanemoto family home.



OVERALL PLAN CONCEPT



THE HUB

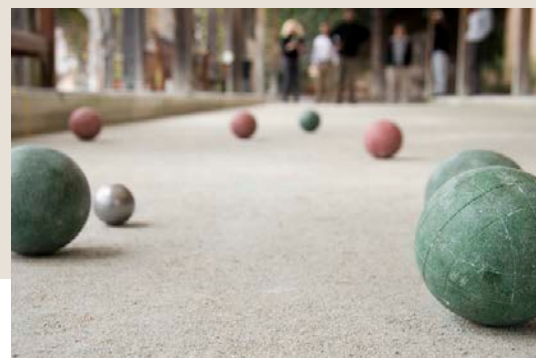
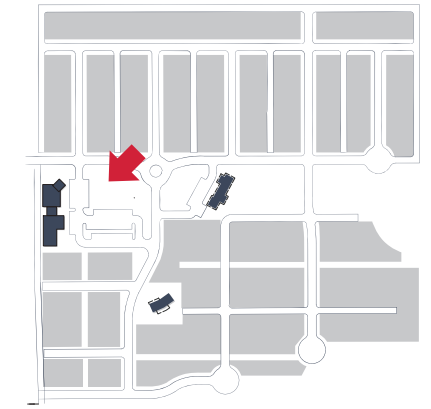
The Hub provides the primary mobility interface for community with Longmont and the region with support functions including the general store, office; and charging stations and a transit ride share plaza. The intent of the Hub is to support reduced usage of fossil-fuel based vehicles and provide

alternate modes. The general store is envisioned as a locally owned business offering goods and service for Somerset Village and the area - relying on the Village, transportation & general store activity; and the community programming.

active connection to the community



welcoming moments



vibrant gathering place



Living at **Somerset Village** is about

quality of life



Quality of life is the prime driver of the planning & design of the Village in an effort to create a *sustainable place* that is livable and supports multigenerational *community* through housing choices, child development, and sustainable technologies.



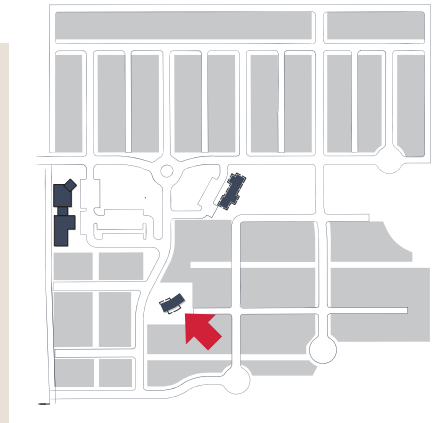


EARLY CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

The 2nd Kanemoto home is intended to be re-purposed as an Early Child Development Center providing enriched pre and primary school age education and child-care for residents.



outdoor play areas



TOWNHOMES



fun & engaging spaces to learn



adaptive reuse
of existing building



A photograph of a garden path with pink flowers and a wooden trellis structure in the background. The path is made of dark gravel and leads towards a wooden trellis structure. The trellis is covered with green leaves and pink flowers. The background is a soft-focus view of a garden with more greenery and a wooden fence.

NEW TRADITIONS

Honoring the Past & Building the Future.

At the heart of the early stages of the planning process is a recognition of the rich agricultural heritage that sustained the Boulder Valley for generations. The conceptual plan is intended to produce a new generation of sustainable living on the land that honors the past while creating a future of sustainable technology and design applications.

It's all in the details.



hearth & home. family friendly. front porch living.





VILLAGE CENTER

The Kanemoto Residence is planned to be re-purposed and used as the Community center. The facility includes meeting, recreation and reception space for residents; adjoining the Center is a commons outdoor activity venue.



indoor & outdoor gathering spaces



fitness center



neighborhood events

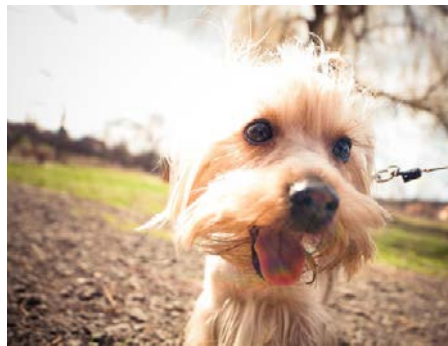
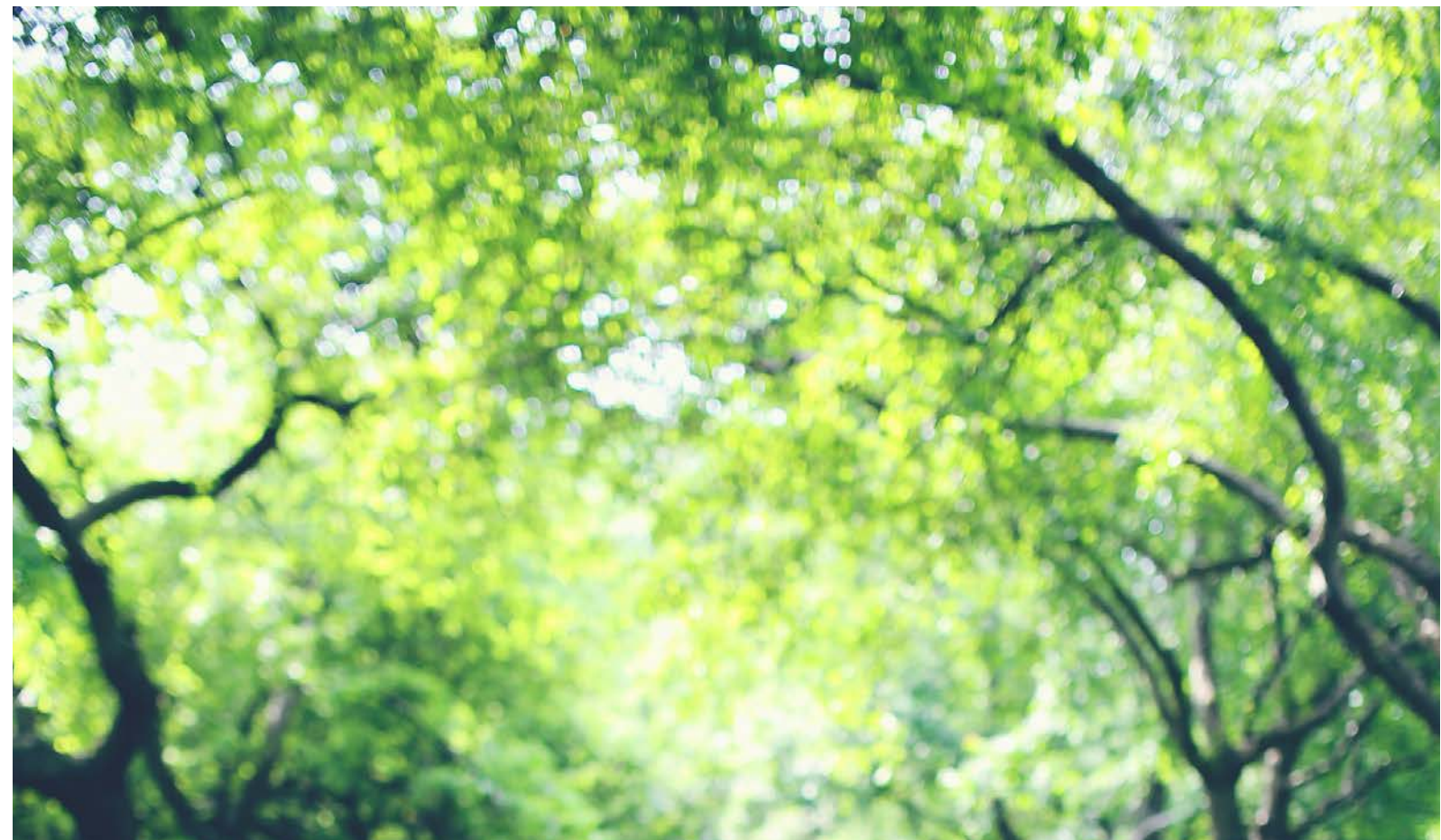


NEIGHBORHOOD & SUSTAINABLE LIVING

Homes and spaces that support community.

The plan has been structured for neighbors can get to know one another and develop relationships. People-centric design creates neighborhoods with character, builds value, promotes security, and allows people to feel at home. Facilities like the Hub, Village Center, Commons and Early Childhood Development Center provide settings for community interface and form the organizing elements of the community.

It's what you make of it.



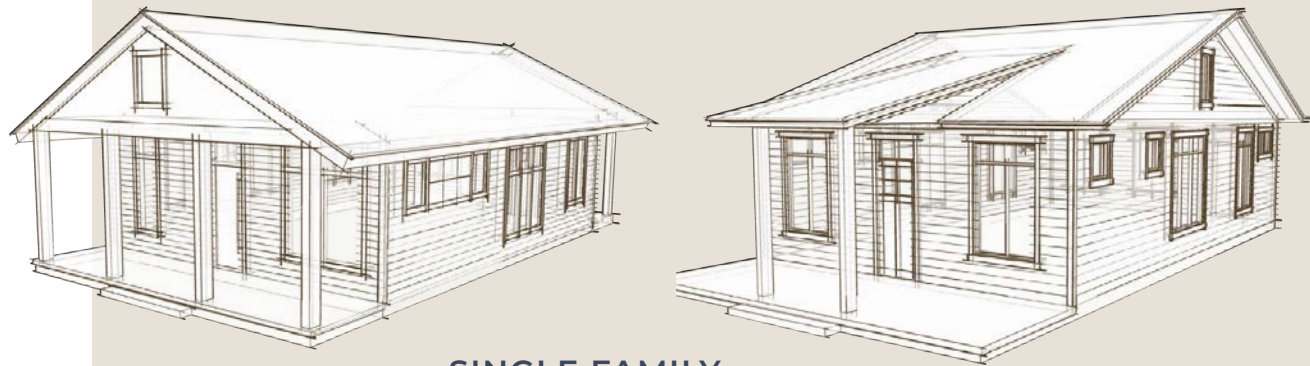
multi-generational. multi-cultural. multi-use.



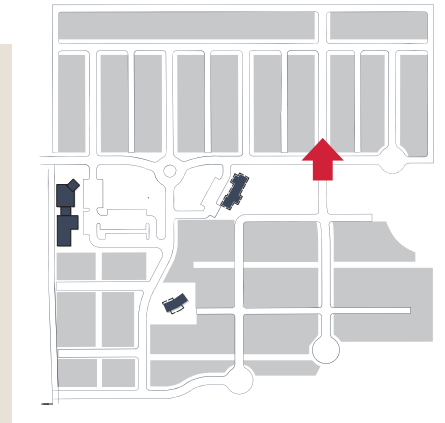


NORTH VILLAGE

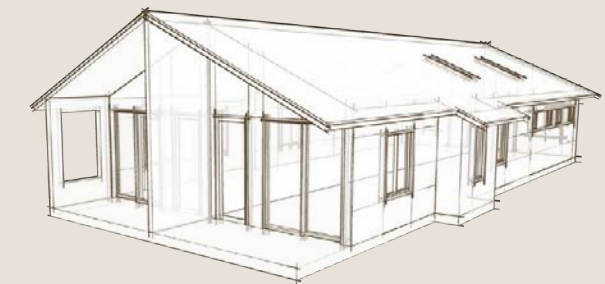
The North Village is planned as a single family residential area with individual homes, accessory dwelling units and paired homes. Within close proximity of the Hub and Village Center, the homes are accessed from a street and alley system designed to minimize intrusions of the automobile and maximize pedestrian connectivity.



SINGLE FAMILY



DUPLEX



front porch life-style



sense of community



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Play is a part of the plan and is important for all generations.

The plan allows residents to never be more than a few blocks away from the Village Center, general store, Early Child Development Center, Commons, a trail, or rural vista to the mountains and their restorative nature.

Take it outside.





Discover living with less of a footprint, a focus on lifestyle, and a healthier way.





COMMONS

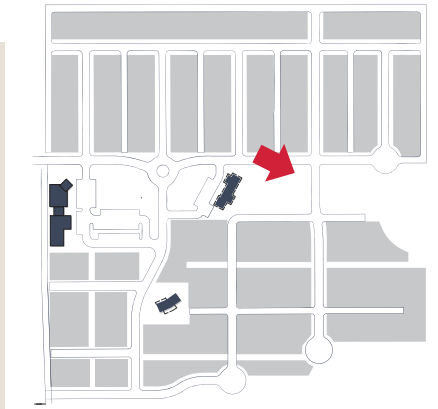
The Commons links the Hub with the Village. The 'green' provides a space for gathering and organized and informal recreation. It is located for every day access between the North and Middle neighborhoods and adjoining the Village Center.



spaces for community events and entertainment



SINGLE COTTAGE



PAIRED COTTAGE



plenty of green space



sustainable energy—solar array

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village living at Somerset