

URBAN SANCTUARY

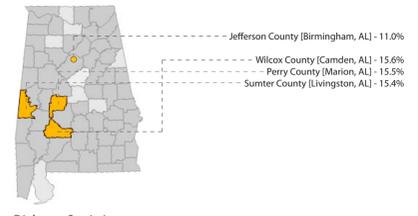
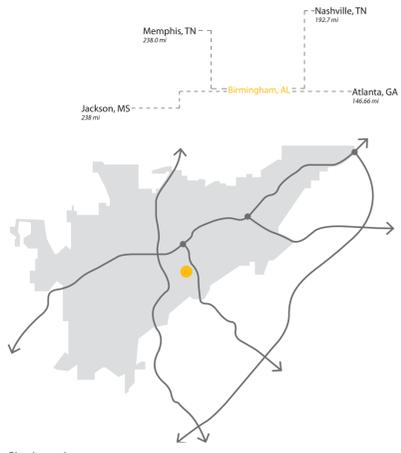
a diabetic Revitalization and Life Center located in Birmingham, Alabama

The project is a revitalization and life center for people and their families living with diabetes. The goal of the facility is to provide a place to escape from everyday living. Elements to improve the knowledge and livelihoods of individuals who have been diagnosed with the disease will be implemented allowing the project to become a central node. Creating an environment that promotes relaxation and revitalization within an urban context is of great importance to the project. Partnerships with relative medical facilities will establish a client base and ease the access to the facility. If used successfully, the project could be a cornerstone to multiple facilities across the country.

Diabetes is a very serious disease, and the 7th leading cause of death in the United States. The disease itself takes an estimated 71,382 lives (it's also one of the largest contributors for heart disease; the number one killer disease in the US) each year. Among U.S. residents aged 65 years and older, 10.9 million, or 26.9%, had diabetes in 2010. About 215,000 people younger than 20 years had diabetes (type 1 or type 2) in the United States in 2010. About 1.9 million people aged 20 years or older were newly diagnosed with diabetes in 2010 in the United States. Though strides have been made, it is necessary to have a facility completely dedicated to finding the cure for such a debilitating disease.

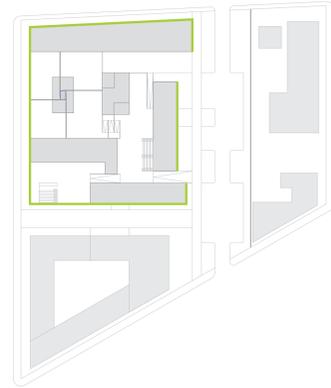


- West Virginia - 15.4%
- Mississippi - 14.9%
- Alabama - 14.0%
- South Carolina - 13.7%
- Tennessee - 13.6%
- Kentucky - 12.9%
- Maine - 12.6%
- Louisiana - 12.2%
- North Carolina - 11.9%
- Oklahoma - 11.9%

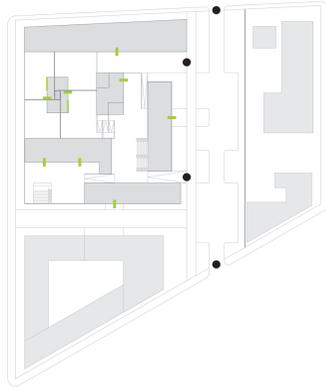


Diabetes Statistics

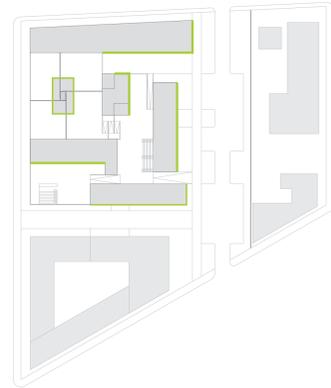
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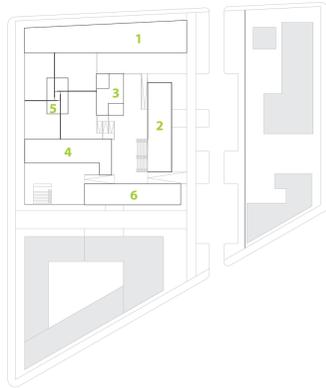
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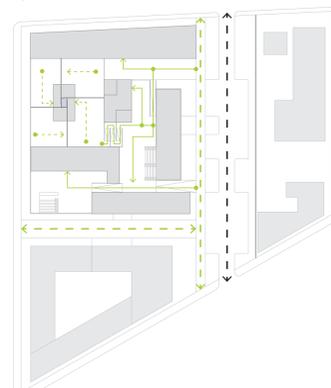
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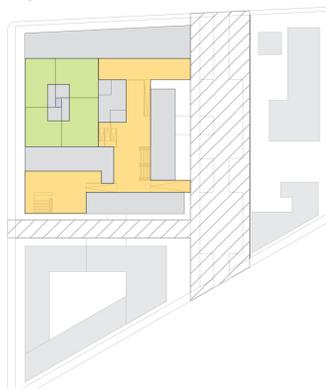
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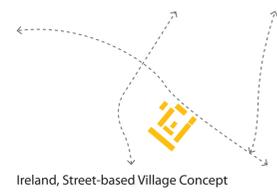
Circulation



Zoning

1. Fitness Ctr.
2. Culinary Ctr.
3. Library
4. Classrooms
5. Meditation
6. Medical/Counseling
7. Office/Research

- Private
- Semi-Private
- Public



Ireland, Street-based Village Concept



Oxford, Protected Green Space Concept



Barcelona Pavilion, Movement Concept

Campus scheme, creating interstitial space between the buildings.

Hidden courtyard scheme, cancelling space and enhancing the intimacy for the user.

Jogging walls promote movement and define programmatic elements.



Macro Site Plan



Level 1 Plan



Level 2 Plan

