

Dedicated to my parents:

Thank you so much for allowing me to pursue my interests and encouraging me on my endeavors, no matter how discouraged I became...I never could have accomplished any of this without you. I love you and am forever grateful for your support.

-Matt

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## PART ONE (1/3) RESEARCH





Source: U.S. Census Bureau



## That's an average **127%** growth rate of PERYEAR...

#### ...IN SPRAWL

POPULATION AREA

517.95

22.96

89.63

234.0

231.89

3,071

70,951

12,752

11,684

17,179

1,445,632

1,585,873 617,594

2,695,598

805,235

DENSITY [people/mi<sup>2</sup>]

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Phoenix

Boston

Chicago

Manhattan, NYC

San Francisco

Source: W.P. Carey School of Business, www.bundle.com

In addition...

## 0% of Phoenix HOME SALES **ECLOSURES**

#### partly due to increased strain on transportation spending

\$7,091

in car-related expenses per Arizona household per year

# So how can Phoenix grow responsibly without taking up new land?

•••••• [It begins with housing]

## [e.N.U.P.H.]

A new, mixed-use housing typology catered to Phoenix



No privacy Not attractive to Phoenicians Massive capital required Too crowded

Inefficient Automobile expense Wasted commute time Expensive utilities



#### **Efficeint New Urban Phoenix Housing**



Neighborhood-centered Reduced utility costs Access to public transportation Mixed-use...with privacy Ecologically responsible Attractive



How truly attainable is the AMERICAN DREAM in Phoenix during an era of persistent unemployment economic stagnation foreclosure epidemic

rising cost of credit

#### HOUSING COSTS AS % OF INCOME

#### **HOUSING & TRANSPORTATION COSTS AS % OF INCOME**



Data not available
Less than 30%
Greater than 30%

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD GASOLINE EXPENSES (2000 GAS) ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD GASOLINE EXPENSES (2008 GAS)



Data not available Less than 900 \$/year 900 to 1,800 \$/year 1,800 to 2,700 \$/year 2,700 to 3,600 \$/year 3.600 \$/year and greater



#### **Resources for the Future**







Sources: www.wikipedia.org, Arizona Department of Transportation

## Long commutes = **MORE EMISSIONS & USE OF RESOURCES**

#### **CO2 PER ACRE FROM HOUSEHOLD AUTO USE**

#### **CO2 PER HOUSEHOLD FROM HOUSEHOLD AUTO USE**



Data not available Less than 3.3 metric tons/HH 3.3 to 5.1 metric tons/HH

- 5.1 to 6.5 metric tons/HH
- 6.5 to 8.6 metric tons/HH 8.6 metric tons and greater

#### e.N.U.P.H.



Efficient

e.N.U.P.H. can be implemented in both urban and suburban contexts. By focusing on the first tier suburbs outside the urban core, e.N.U.P.H. can help attract people who still want to live outside the main center of Phoenix but who still desire convenient access to the downtown area as well as entertainment and sporting venues.

6 to 14 metric tons/acre

Data not available

- 14 to 20 metric tons/acre
- 20 to 30 metric tons/acre **3**0 metric tons/acre and greater

Less than 6 metric tons/acre

Source: True Affordability and Location Efficiency, H+T Affordability Index



Inefficient

A walkable environment results in not just healthier residents, but an overall decrease in emmissions and use of resources. Both **WATER** and **FUEL** usage will decrease as residents move from single family homes to mixed-use developments like e.N.U.P.H.





Source: Courtyard Housing: Past, Present, Future

# Courtyard houses, once a common typology in hot, arid regions, are NOT

### as prevalent in Phoenix as they were, replaced by standard developer-driven homes with the advent of

## air conditioning



**48%** self-shading

## Can Phoenix embrace



#### **AleppoPhoenix**

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Record high	63 <mark>88</mark>	70 <mark>92</mark>	88 <mark>100</mark>	93 <mark>105</mark>	106 <mark>114</mark>	117122	115121	109 <mark>116</mark>	106 <mark>116</mark>	99 <mark>107</mark>	86 <mark>96</mark>	64 <mark>87</mark>	117 <mark>122</mark>
Average high	50 <mark>67</mark>	55 <mark>70</mark>	64 <mark>77</mark>	75 <mark>85</mark>	84 <mark>95</mark>	93 <mark>104</mark>	97 <mark>106</mark>	97 <mark>104</mark>	91 <mark>100</mark>	81 <mark>88</mark>	66 <mark>75</mark>	54 <mark>66</mark>	75 <mark>86</mark>
Average low	34 <mark>45</mark>	37 <mark>48</mark>	39 <mark>53</mark>	48 <mark>60</mark>	55 <mark>69</mark>	63 <mark>77</mark>	70 <mark>83</mark>	70 <mark>82</mark>	59 <mark>76</mark>	54 <mark>64</mark>	45 <mark>52</mark>	37 <mark>44</mark>	52 <mark>63</mark>
Record low	9 <mark>16</mark>	14 <mark>24</mark>	19 <mark>25</mark>	28 <mark>35</mark>	32 <mark>39</mark>	48 <mark>49</mark>	61 <mark>63</mark>	59 <mark>58</mark>	45 <mark>47</mark>	41 <mark>34</mark>	27 <mark>27</mark>	18 <mark>22</mark>	9 <mark>16</mark>
Precipitation(mm)	89. <mark>91</mark>	64. <mark>92</mark>	38. <mark>98</mark>	28 <mark>.27</mark>	8.11	3. <mark>02</mark>	01.05	01.00	0. <mark>64</mark>	25. <mark>58</mark>	56. <mark>64</mark>	84. <mark>88</mark>	395 <mark>8</mark>

Although Aleppo is classified as a semi-arid region and recieves approximately 390mm more rain than Phoenix each year, the two cities have similar climate patterns. Studying the effect that the harsh environment of Aleppo has on the courtyard house can help predict how a similar typology would react in Phoenix.

#### e.N.U.P.H.

will be driven by a courtyard typology





Hmm...can an architectural **typology** breath life into a city through vegetation and gardens?

#### HABITAT 67 Montreal, Canada Moshe Safdie 1967

**\*** x 158 **\*\*\*** x 240,000 ft<sup>2</sup> Habitat 67 investigates how private outdoor space can still be maintained even in an urban, multifamily development. Built as part of Expo 67 in Montreal, the project was designed to illustrate the new lifestyle people in which people would live in increasingly crowded cities around the world.

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EVEN WITHIN DENSE CITIES, PEOPLE CAN STILL HA AFFORDABLE HOUSING WITH PRIVATE GARDENS.



#### **MOUNTAIN DWELLINGS**

Copenhagen, Denmark B.I.G. Architects 2008



The Mountain House, by BIG, explores the typology of combined housing and parking. Located in the Ørestad development south of Copenhagen, the project resembles a mountain sloping towards the southeast, with each unit receiving its own outdoor space and unobstructed views.

PARKING AND HOUSING CAN BE BEAUTIFULLY COMBINED IN A SYMBIOTIC MANNER THAT ENABLES MORE PRIVACY AND OUT-DOOR RESOURCES FOR RESIDENTS.



#### **OPTIMA CAMELVIEW**

Scottsdale, Arizona David Hovey Architects 2006-2011



Optima Camelview proves that with the right design and location, many wealthy Arizonans are willing to live in multi-family projects. Located adjacent to the Scottsdale Fashion Square mall, Camelback's design results in nearly every residence having its own patio or outdoor space. A shared courtyard contains a pool and lush vegetation; helping to cool the air while improving the quality of life for residents.

THE PROJECT IS A MULTI-FAMILY MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT CATERING TO UPSCALE CONSUMERS THROUGH THE EMPHA-SIS ON PRIVATE SPACE AND VEGETATION.

@2691 ARMLS



#### COUNTRY CLUB PLAZA

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Kansas City, MO J.C. Nichols

1922

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THE PROJECT FOCUSES ON THE INTERSECTION BETWEEN PEDESTRIANS AND AUTOMOBILES, AND SUCCEEDS IN COMBINING MULTIPLE USES IN A RELATIVELY DENSE AREA.

The Country Club Plaza in Kansas City was one of the first outdoor shopping centers in

the country which catered to the automobite. Surrounded by mixeduse buildings and

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sidential towers,

create a bustling and outside of the urban





Americans are the most people in the **WORLD...** 

according to Geert Hofstede

# **JDIVIDUALISTIC**

#### HOFSTEDE'S CULTURAL DIMENSIONS THEORY

Geert Hofstede, an influential Dutch psychologist and anthropologist, developed the Cultural Dimensions while working for IBM in the 1970's. With the ability to access extensive amounts of information at IBM, Hofstede began aggregating individuals as societal units, allowing him to examine national cultures rather than individual personalities. He developed six dimensions of values; Equality vs. Inequality, Collectivism vs. Individualism, Uncertainty Avoidance vs. Tolerance, Masculinity vs. Femininity, Temporal Orientation, and Indulgence vs. Restraint. While his results are certainly not indicative of every citizen of particular country, anthropologists and international business leaders use these values to assess different cultures and countries as accurately as possible.

10 LEAST INDIVIDUALISTIC COUNTRIES

SCORE

COUNTRY



Inited States 91 Guatamala

**10 MOST INDIVIDUALISTIC COUNTRIES** 

SCORE

COUNTRY

United States	91	Guatemala	6
Australia	90	Ecuador	8
United Kingdom	89	Panama	11
Netherlands	80	Venezuela	12
New Zealand	79	Columbia	13
Italy	76	Pakistan	14
Belgium	75	Indonesia	14
Denmark	74	Costa Rica	15
France	71	Peru	16
Sweden	71	Taiwan	17

Source: www.clearlycultural.com

Contemporary American housing model





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1. View from southeast 2. Approach from north 3. Interior of garage



#### **MOUNTAIN DWELLINGS**

Detailed Case Study

Copenhagen, Denmark **B.I.G.** Architects 2008



neighborhood.

x 398,000 ft<sup>2</sup>

No two sides of the building appear the

same. The building slopes up towards the denser city beyond, and reveals its more private, less-obtrusive side to the adjacent



[BEAUTY, SHAPE]





L 🗖 \_ \_ \_ \_ Hedges provide privacy from upper units Diagonal circulation path inhabits the interstitial space between parking and housing Circulation confined to one linear spine Each floor has a separate entrance from the parking garage Similar unit plan throughout, variation occurs at corners Areas for private patios or gardens, open to walkway Walkway is similar to neighborhood sidewalk, only accessible to units on a particular level

e.N.U.P.H.



#### **CASE STUDY PROGRAM: MOUNTAIN DWELLINGS**

PROGRAM	QUANTITY	GSF	NSF	NOTES
HOUSING				
Mixed unit types Interior circulation	80 N/A	103,000 ft <sup>2</sup> 13,800 ft <sup>2</sup>	74,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	Front doors fed by interior circulation
PUBLIC SPACE	F	11 000 <del>ft</del> 2	10 500 <del>ft</del> 2	These spaces only open to residents
Outdoor space PARKING	5 N/A	31,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	10,500 11-	These spaces only open to residents
Parking spaces <b>RETAIL</b>	480	225,000 ft <sup>2</sup>		
Various retail	3	4,000 ft <sup>2</sup>	3,600 ft <sup>2</sup>	
SERVICE				
Mechanical Storage <b>TOTAL</b>	1 3	4,000 ft <sup>2</sup> 5,475 ft <sup>2</sup> <b>397,275 ft<sup>2</sup></b>	88,100 ft <sup>2</sup>	Located on 3 floors around parking

#### .3 ft<sup>2</sup> public green space / 1 ft<sup>2</sup> condo



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In order for **e.N.U.P.H.** to work effectively, *it needs to find a balance* between

## PRIVACY COMMUNITY &

Description

This project is a prototype for an urban mixed-use use housing development in Phoenix, Arizona which aims to improve the **quality of life** for its residents by integrating **suburban amenities**, like open space and privacy, into an urban setting.

NUPH is a sustainable mixed-use development in Phoenix, AZ.



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#### **Case Statement**

This project will be developed because I have a strong interest in how Phoenix can sustainably grow in the future. Clearly, unchecked sprawl and inefficient dwelling units cannot continue indefinitely, especially in an area where many resources are scarce. However, most people do not move to Phoenix for the city, but for the natural areas outside the city. Many of the high-rise building near the urban core are near vacant and empty lots sit like missing teeth in the urban fabric. This project will fill such voids and bring **vitality** back to the city.

Furthermore, I am interested in becoming an architect/developer in Phoenix in the future and would like to approach this project not only from an architectural perspective, but also from a developer's point of view. If there is a financially-feasible way to create beautiful, efficient, and universally **appealing housing stock** in urban Phoenix as opposed to new cookie-cutter developments far outside the city, it could help reduce the amount of sprawling track homes and arguably create a better quality of life for all residents.

#### **GOALS**

#### Typology for a New American Dream

Individuals living in the mixed-use project and people within the city will be inspired by the development and residents, in particular, will feel a sense of place.

#### **Alternative for Suburbanites**

This idea will be successful by celebrating suburban amenities in existing urban conditions, leading to a better quality of life for residents and more affordable housing without sacrificing conveniences.

#### **Catalyst for Sustainable Growth**

This idea will be successful by celebrating suburban amenities in existing urban conditions, leading to a better quality of life for residents without sacrificing conveniences.

#### **Stitch Ruptured Urban Fabric**

This idea will help remedy the tearing of the urban fabric in Phoenix by encouraging reestablishment of urban vitality.





#### **Creating and Maintaining Identity**

Individuals living in the mixed-use project and people within the city will be inspired by the development and residents, in particular, will feel a sense of place.



#### **Community Establishment**

Creating community among individuals who value their privacy but also want to engage in social interaction should be considered in all decisions.



#### **Urban Revitalization**

The project will give back to the City of Phoenix by revitalizing the static urban conditions that currently exist through the influx of additional residents and needed program(s).



#### **Ecologically-Responsible**

The project should acknowledge its location in a warm through all design decisions, and leave a positive mark on the local environment.



#### **Better Quality of Life**

All decisions made on the project should result in at least an equal or better quality of life for residents than suburban living.



#### **STAKEHOLDERS**



#### Homeowners

These are the people who will actually live in the mixed-use development and contribute to its success.



#### Developer

The individual(s) responsible for the actual manifestation of the project; stands to benefit or lose financially.



#### **Phoenix City Government**

The government will be interested in how the project not only improves the quality of life for people living in the development, but also how it improves the urban fabric of the city in general; also interested in additional tax revenue created from the project.



#### Banks / investors / Lending Authorities

The agencies that provide funding to the developer to actually get the project built; they are interested in profits from their investment.









#### Legend







#### Local Commute Methods





Average Monthly Temperature



Local Commute Times



Monthly Precipitation



Density

<b>Site</b>	<u></u>
7,102/sq. mi.	
<b>Phoenix</b>	<b>ĦĦĦĦĦ</b> ĦĦĦĦĦĦ
3,071/sq. mi.	ĦĦĦĦĦĦĦĦĦĦĦ
<b>Chicago</b> 11,684/sq. mi.	ŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶŶ



View of site from the SE corner of McClinktock & Central



View from rear of site, looking towards the skyline of Downtown Phoenix to the South

The SUN CORRIDOR from Phoenix to Tucson IS EXPECTED TO GROW BY from 2010 to 2050...

Which means a metropolitan area of nearly



Where will all those people live?

**e.N.U.P.H.** AT AN URBAN SCALE

# 2010 **Density:** 3,071 people/mi<sup>2</sup>



#### 2020

Density: 4,395 people/mi<sup>2</sup> Population: 6,000,000 (metro

Public transportation extended to desert recreational areas

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#### 2050

Density: 7,326 people/mi<sup>2</sup> Population: 10,000,000 (metro

#### PRESERVED DESERT ENVIRONMENT

Local economic, recreational, and residential nodes

## PART ONE (2/3) PROCESS

## **UNIT CONCEPTS:** *Maximizing usable space, focusing on outdoor living areas*





Typical single-family, detached, suburban tract home

Typical front, side, and back yards





Paving for driveway and sidewalks (if present)

Back porch / outdoor living space





Why does temporarily-used space make up most of a tract home's plot area?

This is the area that is mostly used by occupants; the interior and exterior living spaces



Why is there such a disconnect between used and unused space? Can we maximize blue space and minimize red space?





#### MASSING SCHEMES



















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#### PROGRAM



RESIDENTIAL	[206 UNITS] 445,000 FT <sup>2</sup>	
AMENITIES	[FITNESS CENTER/SPA/POOL] 40,000 FT <sup>2</sup>	5%
RETAIL	[34 BAYS, DIVISIBLE] 47,000 FT <sup>2</sup>	6%
OFFICE	[LIVE/WORK CENTERED] 40,000 FT2	5%
SUPERMARKET	[GOURMET-QUALITY] 30,000 FT2	4%
PARKING	[RESIDENTIAL & RETAIL] 215,000 FT <sup>2</sup>	





26%

## **PARTTHREE (3/3)** FINAL PROJECT

















Level 8 Plan

- 1 Offices
- 2 Dayschool
- 3 Dayschool outdoor play area
- 4 Pool & Sun deck
- 5 Residential amenities deck
- 6 Hot tub
- 7 Walkway (above & below)




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APARTMENT-STYLE UNITS

PENTHOUSE TYPE 'A'











COURTYARDS

PARKING







PENTHOUSE TYPE 'B'











Entrance to the courtyard through the corner plaza on McClintock & Central, sculptural lighting elements

Dusk view into courtyard and towards downtown from penthouse patio; public events in courtyard

4. 1882













 1/2" Plywood sheathing	
 Waterproof membrane	
 5" Batt insulation 2"x5 1/2" Mtl C-channel	
 Recessed lighting	
 Fascia board	
 Fascia board	



Indoor Area: 800 ft<sup>2</sup> Outdoor Area: 245 ft<sup>2</sup>



#### **RESIDENTIAL CONCEPT**

In order to provide an alternative to suburban sprawl living which entices with its offer of outdoor space, all units have extensive outdoor living areas equaling at least 20% of the interior area. These large outdoor areas can be opened up to the interior of the units through sliding glass doors to enjoy the pleasant Phoenix weather and people watch in the courtyard below.





Indoor Area: 1,225 ft<sup>2</sup> Outdoor Area: 220 ft<sup>2</sup>











Indoor Area: 1,900 ft<sup>2</sup> Outdoor Area: 460 ft<sup>2</sup>

AGAVE

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#### **PALO VERDE**



**Indoor Area:** 1,900 ft<sup>2</sup> **Outdoor Area:** 490 ft<sup>2</sup>









## THE SAGUARO

Indoor Area: 4,000 ft<sup>2</sup> Outdoor Area: 1,380 ft<sup>2</sup>











Amenities deck located on level 8; looking towards mountains to the southeast





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This book carefully studies the organization and composition of many ancient Islamic cities, which share a very similar climate to Phoenix. A study of ancient architectural typologies, mainly courtyard-focused, can also be found in this book, which explains why these types of houses were desirable for residents in terms of engaging society, tightening the urban fabric, and maintain privacy. Some of these typologies also include examples of courtyard housing coupled with mixed-use; something I'm very interested in studying for the Phoenix area.

#### Schipper, Janine. Disappearing Desert: the Growth of Phoenix and the Culture of Sprawl. Norman: University of Oklahoma, 2008. Print.

This book explains the growth phenomenon experienced in Phoenix and the resulting suburban sprawl. It focuses mainly on Cave Creek, a suburb of Phoenix, and lists reasons why suburban typologies have continued to enjoy popularity even at the expense of the environment. As I'm interested in studying how more urban architectural typologies could be made desirable for people in the suburbs, this resource should come in handy to understand the deep-seeded roots of suburbanization and sprawl in this area.

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This book analyzes dozens of multi-family residential projects around the world and categorizes them by type, location, cost per square foot, density, funding, and target residents. Typologies include mid-rise buildings as well as townhouse-type attached residences. This resource will be valuable to my project because one of the end goals will be designing an architectural typology that is not only appropriate for a desert environment, but is also economically feasible; issues which are well-addressed in the book.

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Typology +: Innovative Residential Architecture looks at multiple examples of mixed-use and multi-family housing across the globe, focusing primarily on unit design and planning. I plan to use this book in addition to D Book for inspiration in developing unit plans and overall unit composition.

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