



SITE MAP

## **ABOUT | DESIGN INTENTIONS**

The renovation and extension to Casey House, a specialized healthcare facility for individuals living with HIV/AIDS, develops a new prototype for hospitals. The facility meets the needs of patients and their providers in a setting designed to evoke the experience and comforts of home. With the fundamental goal of creating a comfortable, home-like user experience, the embrace emerged as a unifying theme—one of warmth, intimacy, comfort, privacy, connectivity, and solidity. Referring to the goals of Casey House, it also describes the design of the architectural form, the user experience, and the atmosphere in the building itself.

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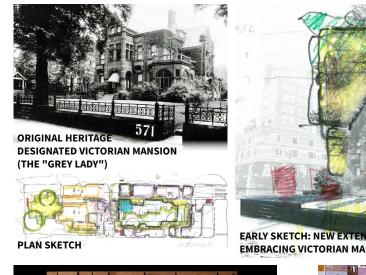
EARLY CONCEPTUAL SKETCH

# **Casey House** Toronto, Ontario, Canada

### **DESIGN CONCEPT**

# An Embrace

The architecture provides for both the welldeserved moment of victory for Casey House and an **intimate dignity for patients**. The architecture is a physical manifestation of the **embrace** in **both the vertical and horizontal planes**. On the exterior, the new extension **reaches over and around the existing heritage** designated Victorian mansion, which has been carefully restored, while the new addition—a **robust, textured exterior** surrounds the **central courtyard** on the inside for **privacy and light**.

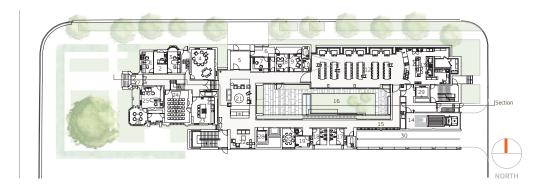






QUILT AND SKETCH

SITE PLAN



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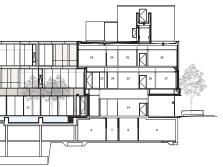
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# **DESIGN CONCEPT**

# Inspiration

The AIDS Memorial Quilt was an early source of inspiration for the design. Originally conceived in 1985 by activist Cleve Jones, and started in 1987, the gigantic patchwork quilt acted as an opportunity for individuals to remember and celebrate their loved one's lives during a time when the disease was largely stigmatized by the majority of mainstream society.

The exterior **facade** of Casey House, consisting of a **palette** of various **brick**, heavily **tinted mirrored glass**, and **crust-faced limestone**, is highly **particularized** and **rich**, and becomes the **architectural manifestation of the quilt**.



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#### **CONNECTION TO OUTDOORS**

# **Central Courtyard**

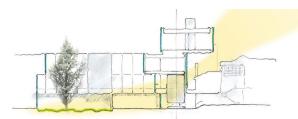
The courtyard allows **direct sunlight** into the core of the building **on all floors**. Given the **private nature** of the facility, it provides **protected outdoor space** for users.

Clear slight lines across the courtyard and project allow for **maximum light** and **transparency** while at the same time **maintaining patients' privacy**. The courtyard is also visible from each of the 14 private bedrooms (12 regular care and 2 respite beds) on the third floor.

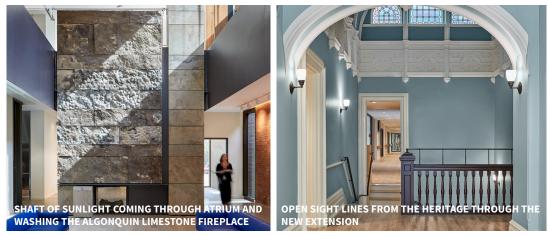
Beautifully landscaped and alive, the courtyard is the ever-present symbol of life-affirming green, water, and light and is visible from every corridor and in-patient room.











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#### **CONNECTING INTERIORS**

# Bridge

Emphasizing the **relationship between the new and the old**, a **bridge connects the heritage and addition** on the **second floor**. This allows for **clear sight lines** and **seamless transition** between the original house and the new space.

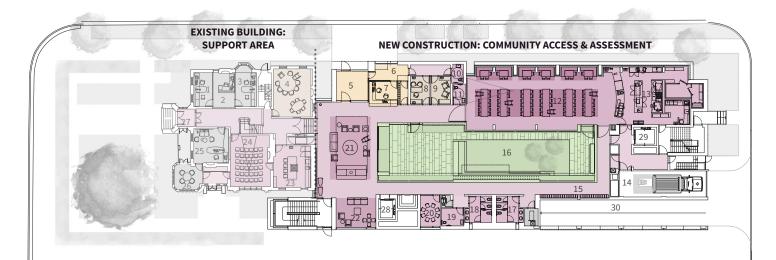
# Light

The central gathering space on the main floor features a 2 story atrium that ensures that the common area is awash in natural light. The materials and furnishings were all selected with the goal of creating a warm and intimate atmosphere. The full height fireplace crafted from Algonquin Limestone anchors the room.

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### **GROUND LEVEL**

**TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS** 

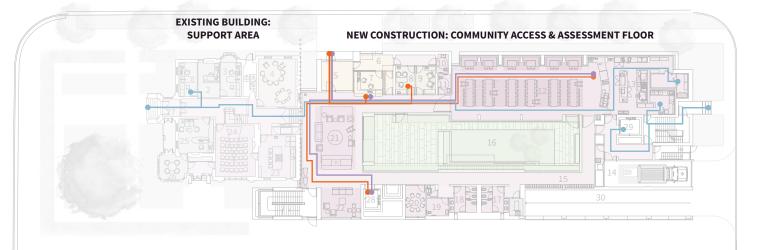


## KEY



1. Office 11. Washroom 21. Living Room 22. Interactive Space 2. Office 12. Dining 3. Office 13. Kitchen 23. Community Kitchen 4. Therapy Room 14. Loading Area 24. Meeting Room 5. Entrance Vestibule 15. Lockers 25. Office 6. Reception Vestibule 16. Exterior Courtyard 26. Meeting Room 7. Reception 17. Washroom 27. Entrance Vestibule 8. Assessment Room 18. Washroom 28. Elevator 9. Crisis Room 19. Washroom 29. Service Elevator 10. Washroom 20. Meeting Room 30. Parking Ramp

Note: "Departmental Square footages take-off based on 'Analysis of Departmental Area in Contemporary Hospitals calculation methodologies & Design Factors Report, 2014



# **KEY SPACES:**

- Outdoor Space (2366 sf)
- ► Day Health Program (104-352 sf)
- Shared Activity (44-2607 sf)
- Registration/Waiting (109-181 sf)
- Support (25-231 sf)

#### DEPARTMENTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOT TAKE-OFFS

Existing Building: Support Area New Construction: Community Access & Assessment Floor

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#### **TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS**

- •----• Patient 40ft 152ft
- Family 40ft 152ft
- Staff 37ft 276ft

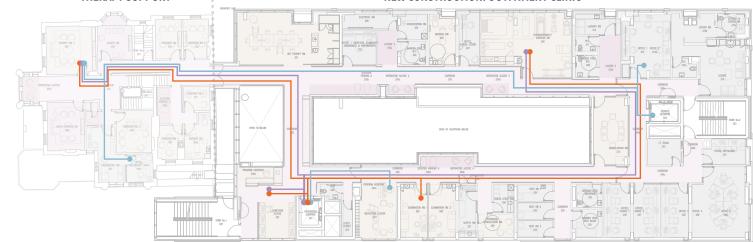
Net	Gross	N/G ratio
1837 SF	2670 SF	1.45
5637 SF	6936 SF	1.23

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## SECOND LEVEL

#### TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS

EXISTING BUILDING: THERAPY SUPPORT



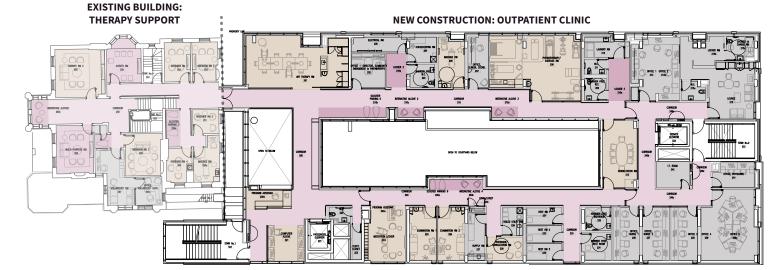
#### **KEY SPACES:**

Day Health Program (68-548 sf)

- Shared Activity (143-183 sf)
- Support (33-403 sf)

### DEPARTMENTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOT TAKE-OFFS

Existing Building: Therapy Support New Construction: Outpatient Clinic



### KEY

Day Health Program

Shared Activity

Support

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# NEW CONSTRUCTION: OUTPATIENT CLINIC

#### **TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS**

- •\_\_\_\_• Patient 16ft 193ft
- •——• Family 16ft 193ft
- •----• Staff 25ft 233ft

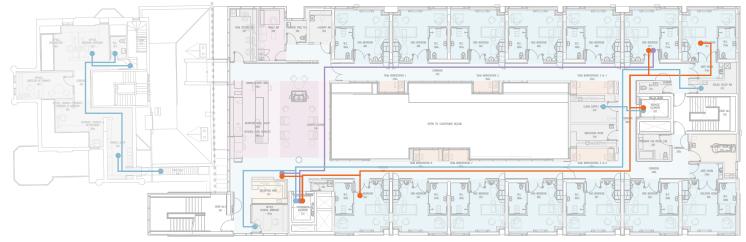
Net	Gross	N/G ratio
1569 SF	2251 SF	1.43
5745 SF	8638 SF	1.50

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#### THIRD LEVEL

#### TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS

EXISTING BUILDING: FINANCIAL OFFICES & SUPPORT

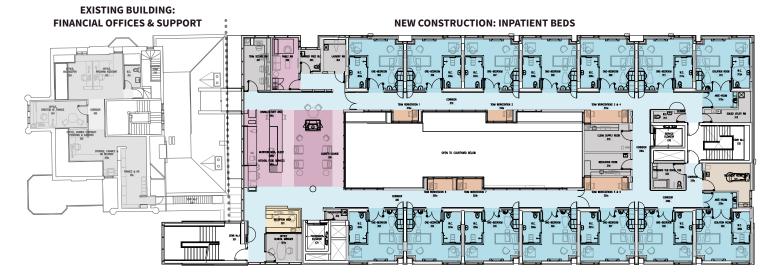


#### **KEY SPACES:**

- Day Health Program (153 sf)
- Shared Activity (143-304 sf)
- Patient Rooms (289-343 sf)
- Registration/Waiting (100 sf)
- Support (26-369 sf)
- Nurse Stations (30-66 sf)

#### DEPARTMENTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOT TAKE-OFFS

Existing Building: Financial Offices & Support New Construction: Inpatient Beds



### KEY



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#### NEW CONSTRUCTION: INPATIENT BEDS

#### **TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS**

- •\_\_\_\_• Patient 17ft 189ft
- •----• Family 17ft 166ft
- •----• Staff 16ft 182ft

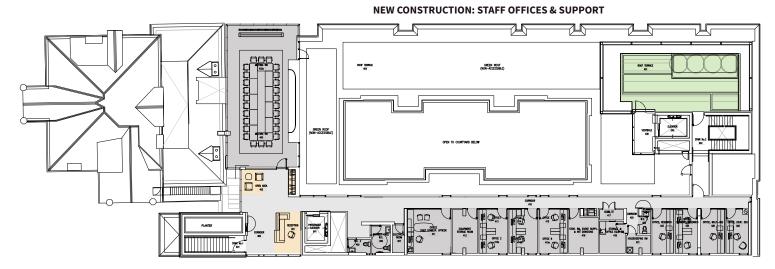
Net	Gross	N/G ratio
833 SF	1137 SF	1.36
6272 SF	9157 SF	1.46

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## FOURTH LEVEL

#### TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS



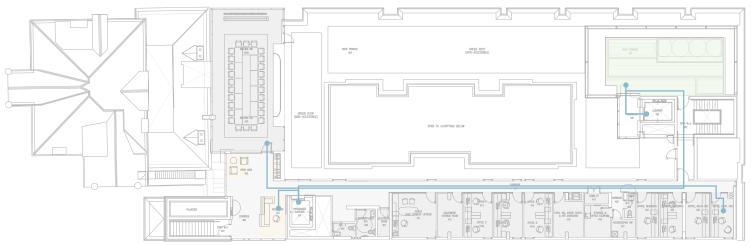
## KEY

Outdoor Space

**Reception/Waiting** 

Support





## **KEY SPACES:**

Outdoor Space (691 sf)

Registration/Waiting (17-110 sf)

Support (25-197 sf)

Support: Large Meeting Room (923 sf)

# DEPARTMENTAL GROSS SQUARE FOOT TAKE-OFFS

New Construction: Staff Offices & Support

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#### **NEW CONSTRUCTION: STAFF OFFICES & SUPPORT**

#### **TRAVEL DISTANCE ANALYSIS**

•----• Staff 17ft - 214ft

 Net
 Gross
 N/G ratio

 2646 SF
 3761 SF
 1.42



# **Casey House** Toronto, Ontario, Canada

#### **DESIGN INTENT**

# **CARING AND COMFORT**

The design intent was to create a functional facility that was infused with the **atmosphere of caring** to honor the incredible legacy of **Casey House's** founder June Callwood. A caring that can be felt throughout - in every detail - the patient rooms, the materials, and the gathering spaces. **Patient** rooms feature comforts of home – a wooden headboard with swiveling panels that conceal medical equipment, faux-fireplace mantels, and operable windows that help to **de-institutionalize** the patient experience.

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY:**

#### **Project: Casey House** Project location: Toronto, Ontario Canada **Owner/Client: Casey House** Architect: Hariri Pontarini Architects

Landscape architect: Mark Hartley Landscape Architect Heritage consultant: ERA Architects Code consultant: David Hine Engineering Structural engineer: Entuitive ME engineer: WSP Canada Acoustics: Swallow Security: Mulvey & Banani Food Service: Kaizen Foodservice Planning Photographs/Illustrations: Doublespace Photography Construction cost: \$30 million Building area GSF: 59.000 Cost per square foot: \$508.47 Construction start date: March 2015 Substantial completion date: September 2017





#### **AIA/AAH DESIGN AWARD WINNER**

## Category B: Built, More than \$25 million in construction cost

#### **JURY COMMENT**

- ▶ The concept of 'embrace' was resolved well with the garden space and the existing buildings.
- ▶ There is an integration with the context.
- ▶ It was described as a great project the goes beyond the stigma of AIDS.
- Inside is a jewel that celebrates a life giving space that is about community.
- ▶ It is thoughtful, empathetic and dignified.
- Detailing is beautiful and well crafted.
- Layers of materiality and tactility makes it very warm.
- ▶ There is a great use of light.
- ▶ The building is uplifting yet grounded.
- ► The interiors are well done with a simple palette making modern, yet very warm and human spaces.
- ▶ The presentation was put together well and built upon a story.
- ▶ Key words Empathy, Healing and Dignity.



WEST ELEVATION



#### NORTH ELEVATION

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