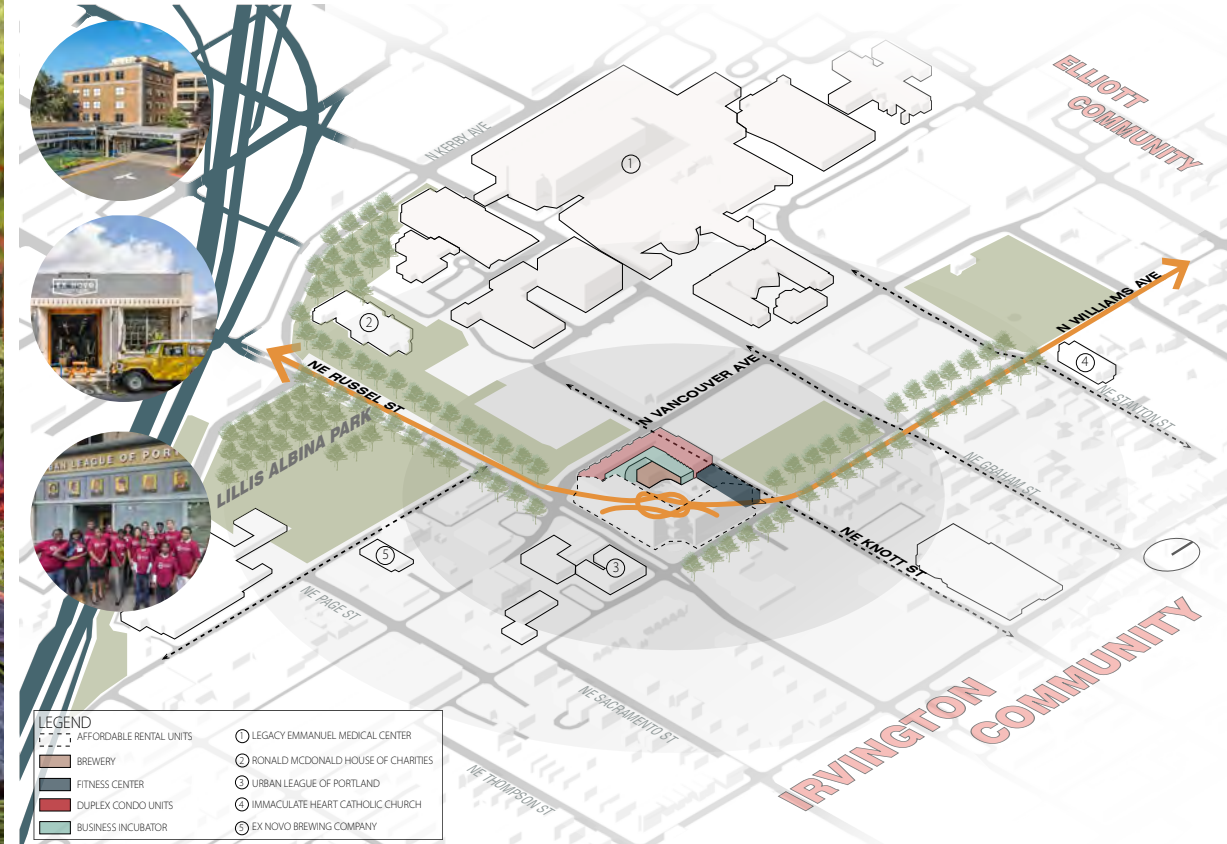


# THE KNOT ALBINA

In the heart of Portland's Eliot neighborhood in Albina, The Knot symbolizes the resilience of the first Black community. Its goal is to restore identity and community engagement. A diagonal pedestrian corridor connects to a central plaza surrounded by five community amenities: The Albina Produce Market, Business Incubators, Brewery, Fitness Center and Mixed Affordable housing. The "Knot" strategy enhances connectivity to Legacy Emmanuel Medical Center and the community. Landscaping and architecture create inviting outdoor spaces, making it a cultural hub. The eclectic exterior features brick facades, green walls, and artistic storefronts. Inside, mass timber structures provide sustainability and comfort. Overall, it's a tribute to Albina's significance and a symbol of unity and hope for a brighter future.



**1891** Black families help build Portland Industry in the Railroad

**1919** Redlining efforts impact Black home ownership

**1926** Exclusion laws prevent neighborhood

**1929-1939** Lloyd, Elliot, and Boise Neighborhoods in Albina developed during Great Depression

**WWII 1939-45** Black population increased by 18,000.

**1948** Flooding and housing discrimination caused Black homelessness amongst 1/3 of population

**1950** White flight in Albina - 23,000 White Americans +7,000 Black Americans

**1956** Emanuel has a message for Poor People  
"Urban Renewal, Highway construction, displacement Beginning of Gentrification. Blacks move to lower Albina"

**1962** 1960s civil rights; Albina's "urban renewal."

**1970s-80s** Blight, redlining, and urban renewal persisted. Post-civil rights, systemic injustices continued.

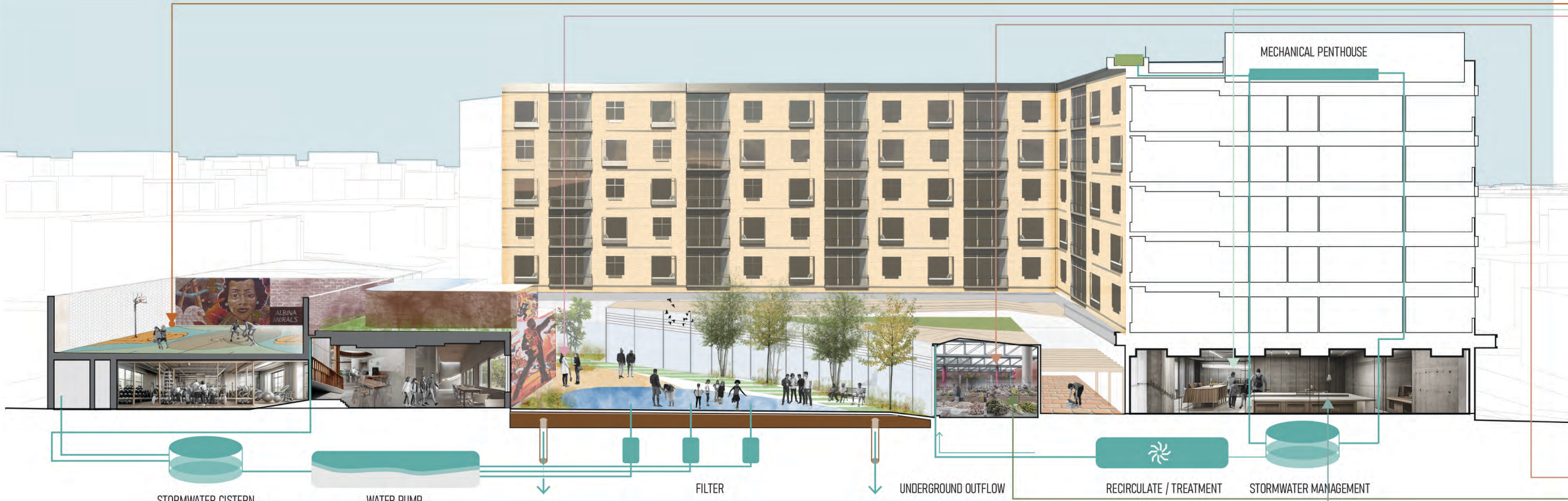
**1990** Housing prices soared, displacing low-income Black residents.

**2010** 21st-century gentrification reduced Albina's Black population.

**2023** NOMA Students envision "The Knot" as a cultural beacon to restore the community.

The Knot strategy reflects the idea of connecting the Community by creating a long lasting bond.





**Local Youth**



Marcus & Friends enjoy playing pick-up ball with their peers. The Knot provides a space for social engagements.

**Families**



Feng & Dae move in to their new apartment with their 2-year-old, Eun.

**College Graduates**



Shartia & Intisar are local muralists using art to express community needs. This project encourages their works and amplify Albina's voices.

**Job Seekers**



Erika Warren, strategic adviser for the 1-5 Rose Quarter Improvement Project, aims to enhance local job opportunities by partnering with The Knot's new job incubator, reducing economic challenges in Albina.

**Business Owners**

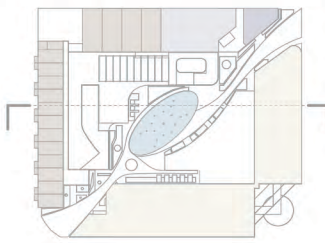
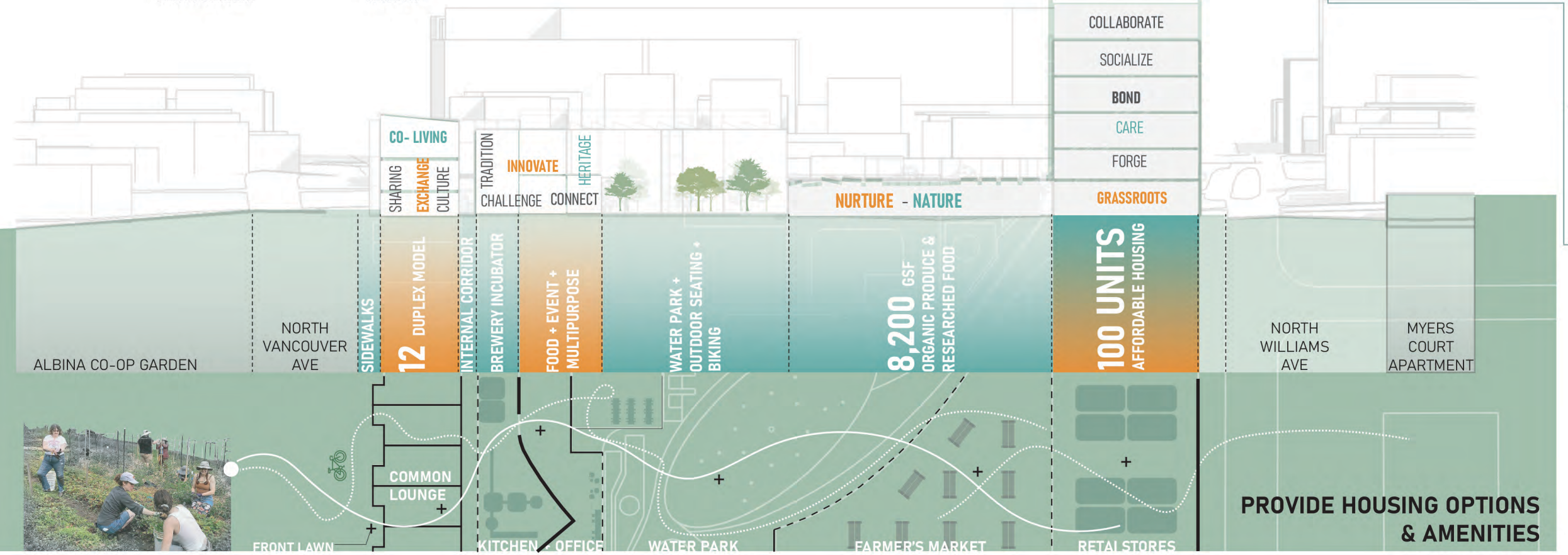


James Posey who is looking to expand inventory and launching a new office, finds the new hub a perfect location.

**55 & Above**



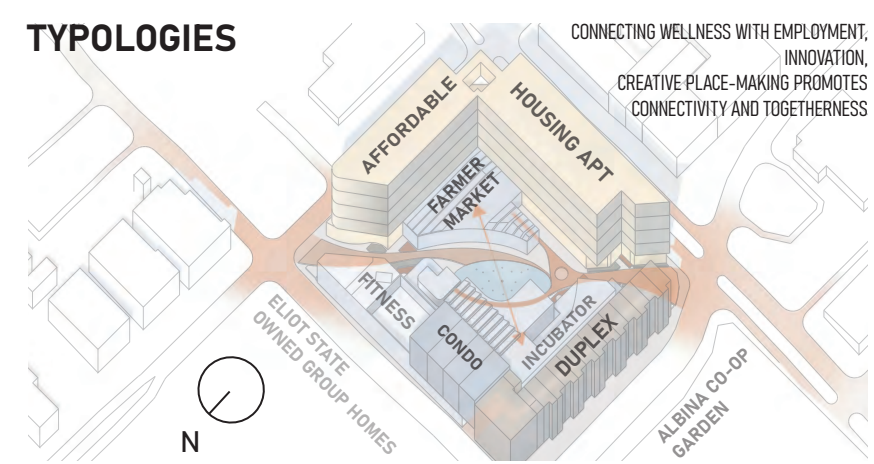
Officer Kelvin Modica formerly the Assistant Chief of Portland, becomes a beloved elder in the Albina community due to his historical knowledge of the city. The Knot provides Kevin and other elders affordable and accessible retirement housing





# TYPOLOGIES

CONNECTING WELLNESS WITH EMPLOYMENT, INNOVATION, CREATIVE PLACE-MAKING PROMOTES CONNECTIVITY AND TOGETHERNESS



TYPICAL APARTMENT UNIT LAYOUT



LIVING SPACE



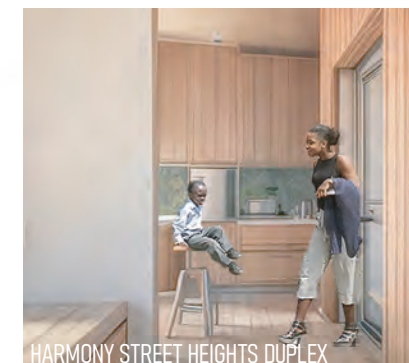
ALBINA MARKET PRODUCE



HERITAGE BREWERY



CANNADY PARK RESIDENCIES



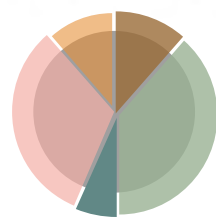
HARMONY STREET HEIGHTS DUPLEX



## ROOM LEGENDS

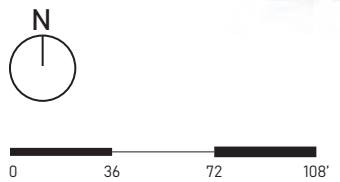
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| 2. MECHANICAL CORE               | 6. JOHNSON FLAVOR PLAZA | 11. CANNADY PARK RESIDENCIES |
| 3. HERITAGE BREWS                | 7. FITNESS COURT        | 12. ALBINA PRODUCE MARKET    |
| 4. COMMUNITY KITCHENS / COFFEE   | 8. GYM / WORKOUT        | 13. PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION    |
|                                  | 9. RETAIL               |                              |

8' Set back to widen side walk



## 2022 CENSUS DATA

- SINGLE PERSON 11.7%
- FAMILY 38.5%
- ELDERLY 7.3%
- NEWLY WEDS 30.8%
- OTHER 11.7%



# RENDERED GROUND PLAN