

Program Summary:

Revitalizing a historic building, a local nonprofit organization's new headquarters creates a community-focused space while preserving mid-century architectural details.

Program Statement:

The renovation project for a historic building represents a transformative endeavor aimed at providing a warm and inclusive environment for a non-profit organization. With a focus on preserving the building's historical significance, the project restored an expansive 11,000 SF space, formerly a bank, to serve as the organization's new headquarters. This relocation signifies a significant milestone for the organization, symbolizing a fresh chapter of engagement and community outreach. The organization's vision for the revamped space encompasses a community-centric redesign of the ground floor, alongside the renovation of the second floor to optimize functionality for organizational operations. Additionally, enhancements to outdoor amenities ensured a holistic approach to the building's revitalization. The ground floor is envisioned as a dynamic hub, featuring an open layout conducive to coworking, as well as designated areas for hosting events and lectures.

Emphasizing reverence for the building's historical integrity, special attention was paid to preserving architectural elements dating back to the 1950s. This commitment is evident in the meticulous restoration of original travertine columns, mid-century wood paneling, and impeccably maintained terrazzo floors, which add character and charm to the modernized office space.

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Building Area: (sf)
11,000 SF

Cost per Square Foot:
Confidential

Construction Cost
Confidential

Date of Completion:
2023



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A Warm Welcome

After making the decision to move from downtown, the organization wanted to celebrate this return to the neighborhood and community members by creating a welcoming and warm space for visitors.

The new ground-floor location along a historic avenue serves as both a metaphorical and physical “return to the community.”



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Connection to the Neighborhood

The organization wanted the new headquarters to be “transparent,” “warm,” and “compassionate to those they service.

These front windows and open lobby space are the first invitation to the neighborhood, providing views to the surrounding neighborhood and tree-lined avenue.



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Preserving Character

This wall behind the new front desk was original to the building.

Rather than scrub the space clean, the design team strived to honor interior conditions and augment with new interventions.

The design maintains existing wood paneling and terrazzo floors in the lobby, as a nod to the original character of the bank building, and supplements with a custom milled reception desk.



Existing



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Mid-Century Modern

Generally, the lobby required a light touch throughout, with some added millwork and remediation of the terrazzo floors and travertine columns from the 1950s.

The interiors team selected furnishings that highlighted the mid-century modern elements and original details, while providing maximum functionality.

Each furniture piece in the lobby is multi-functional, serving as spaces for conversation and for representing the organization's mission to welcome the community.





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Flexibility

The flexibility of the space is essential in serving multifunctional programming needs, like events, presentations, coworking, and more.



Existing



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Office

On the second-floor, office space was created by transforming the white box of the 1950s office era to a collaborative and efficient model.



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Office Spaces

The second floor was transformed from cold, corporate offices to warm, welcoming workspaces that encourage collaboration and comfort for team members.

Private offices on the perimeter were closed with glazed storefront systems, allowing light from exterior windows to penetrate deep into the communal workstation space.

Open workspaces with modern finishes and efficiency in mind encourage workers to collaborate as a team but also offer necessary privacy and comfort. Lighting solutions were important in establishing a bright and uplifting office.





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Courtyard

Originally empty, the courtyard was reimagined to serve as a gathering space for employees and visitors.

Impervious concrete was replaced with pervious pavers to manage stormwater runoff.



Existing

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Streetcar Access



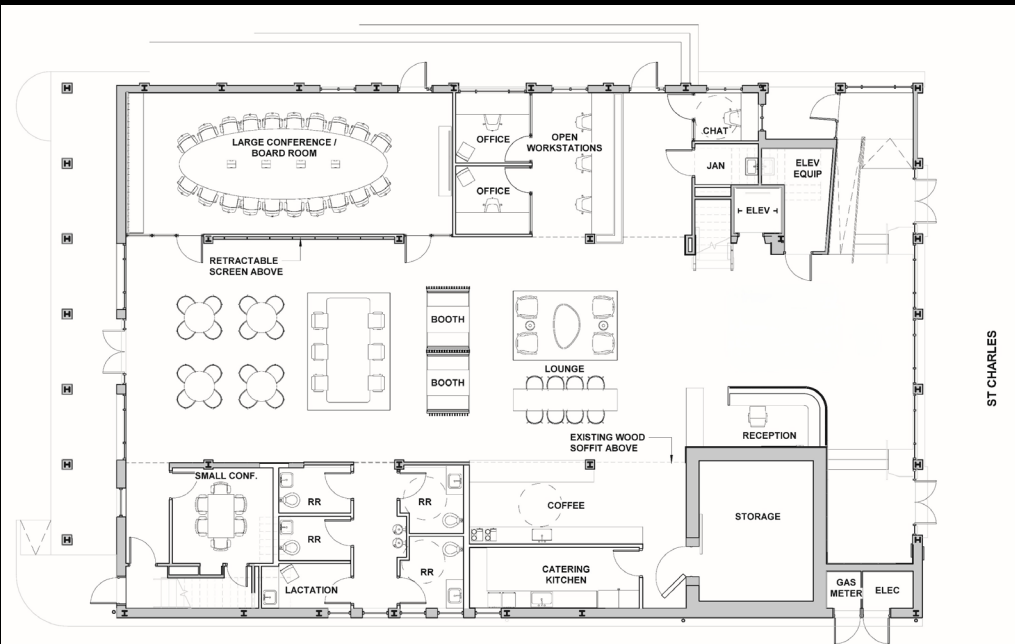
View from street



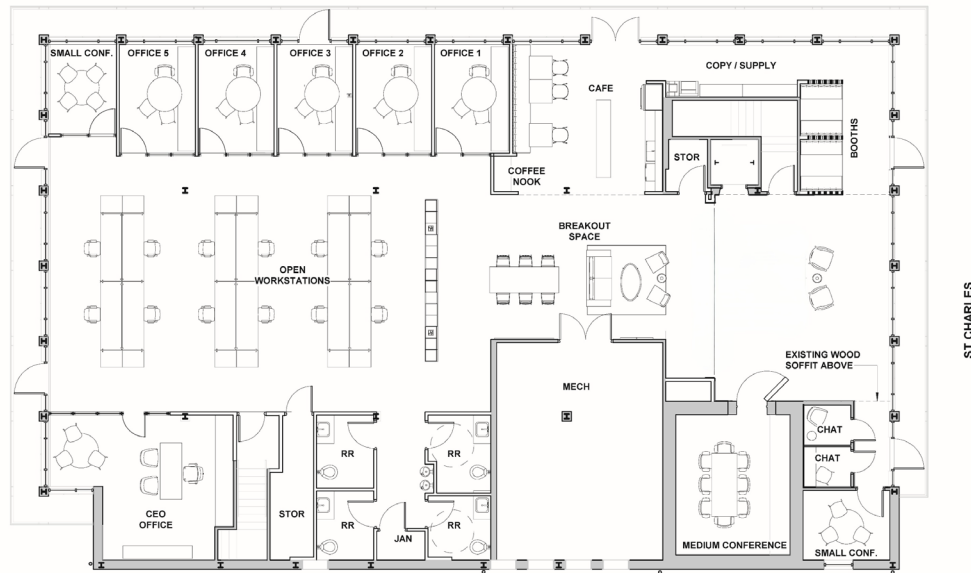
View from back parking area

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Floor Plans



Level 01



Level 02