

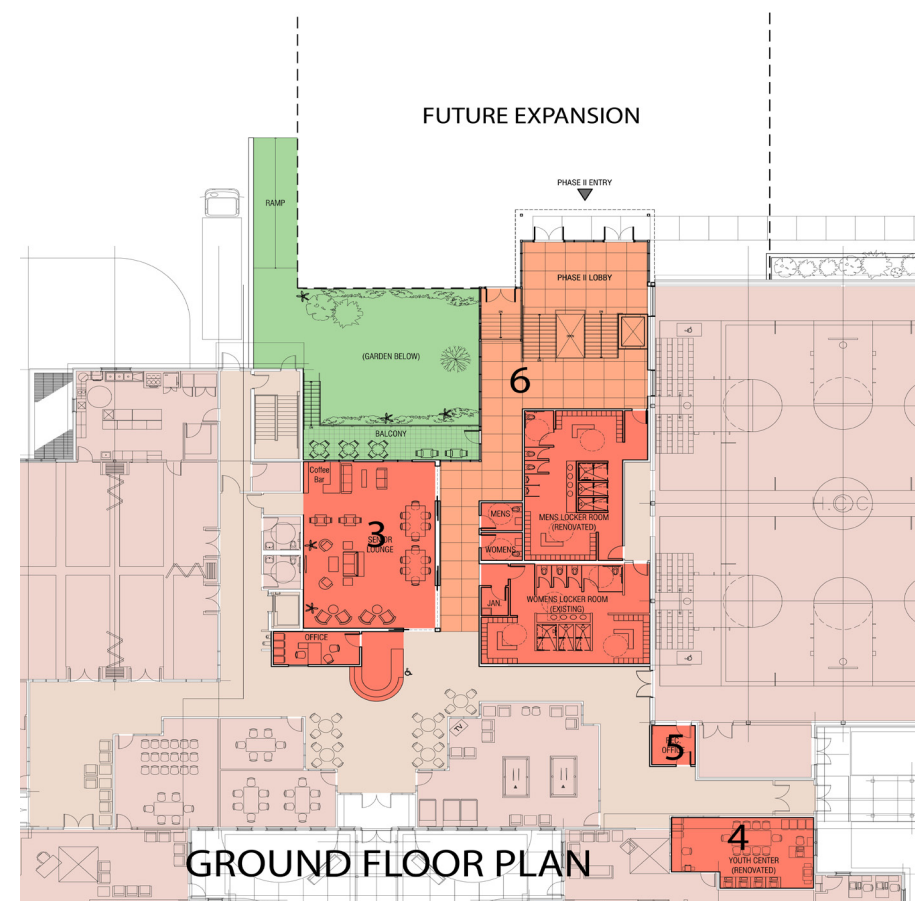
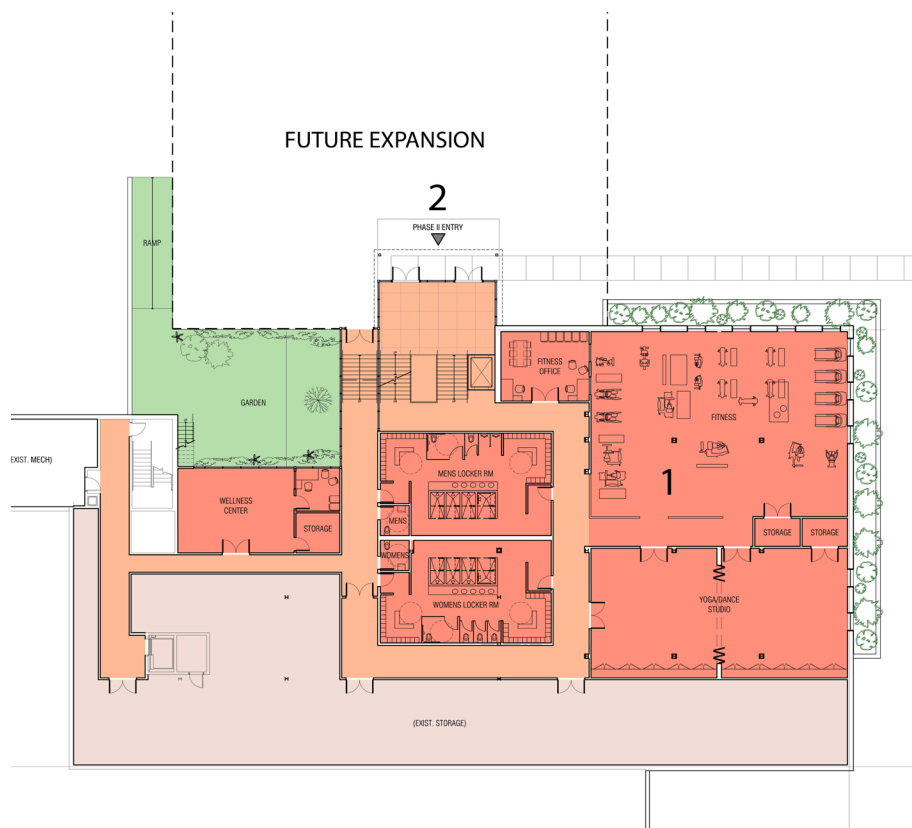


Reasons to Support the Harwich Community Center Lower Level Project

1. The space is too small for current programs and number of participants. There are currently more than 70 programs that use the space on a regular basis throughout the year (2,035 uses by these groups alone).
 - For example, Marquis All-Stars Cheerleaders (80 uses), Dancersize (104 uses), and NA (103 uses).
2. Clients have been turned away due to the building space requests have exceeded lack of space capacity on specific dates and times, so we've been unable to meet the community's needs.
3. The Community Center has successfully been in operation for 13 years. It is time to expand and update the building to meet the needs of the community.
4. We offer a vast number of programs and the demand for space is growing. Building-out the under-utilized lower level space provides for additional revenue by allowing more rental space in the building.

Build-out Proposal

1. Create a large fitness room and yoga/dance studio space with locker facilities in response to demand. Double the size and increase the number of machines/equipment.
 - The current weight room can reach capacity, preventing us from growing membership. Expanding the weight room would allow us to advertise to our neighbors and could provide needed programming areas which will increase revenue.
2. Creation of an independent accessible entrance to new fitness facility (weight room).
 - With the Fitness Room moving to the lower level, the new design of the building would allow us to keep the lower level open while necessary community programs are happening in the upper level of the building. This has been a great concern for those members who purchase membership and are often denied access when we need to use the Community Center for flu clinics, voting or other town events. The new layout would allow us to keep the Fitness Room open in the lower level and still conduct business on the upper level.



The Upper Level Space Reallocation Plan

3. Creation of senior lounge/dining room in existing Fitness Room to accommodate the growing senior population.
 - Statistics show that 40% of our year-round population are seniors, and that number will grow to 61% by 2019. The Community Center has been and continues to be vital in meeting the needs of our older generation. This provides uninterrupted use of the Multi-purpose room.
4. Creation of designated youth space in existing Recreation Department Administration area.
 - A safe environment for our adolescents has always been a priority. Expansion of the Community Center provides an opportunity to gain ideal youth space.
5. Relocation of Recreation Department Administration to space adjacent to gymnasium.
 - This move will provide additional space for youth, as well as provide the Recreation Department with better visibility when supervising the Gymnasium and Game Room.
6. Renovations to develop circulation between main and lower levels and improve central Administration space.
 - One of the areas we strive to continuously improve is the service at the Community Center. The new design will improve floor plan flow and flexibility, which will better accommodate all those who utilize the building.



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