

# PROJECT OVERVIEW



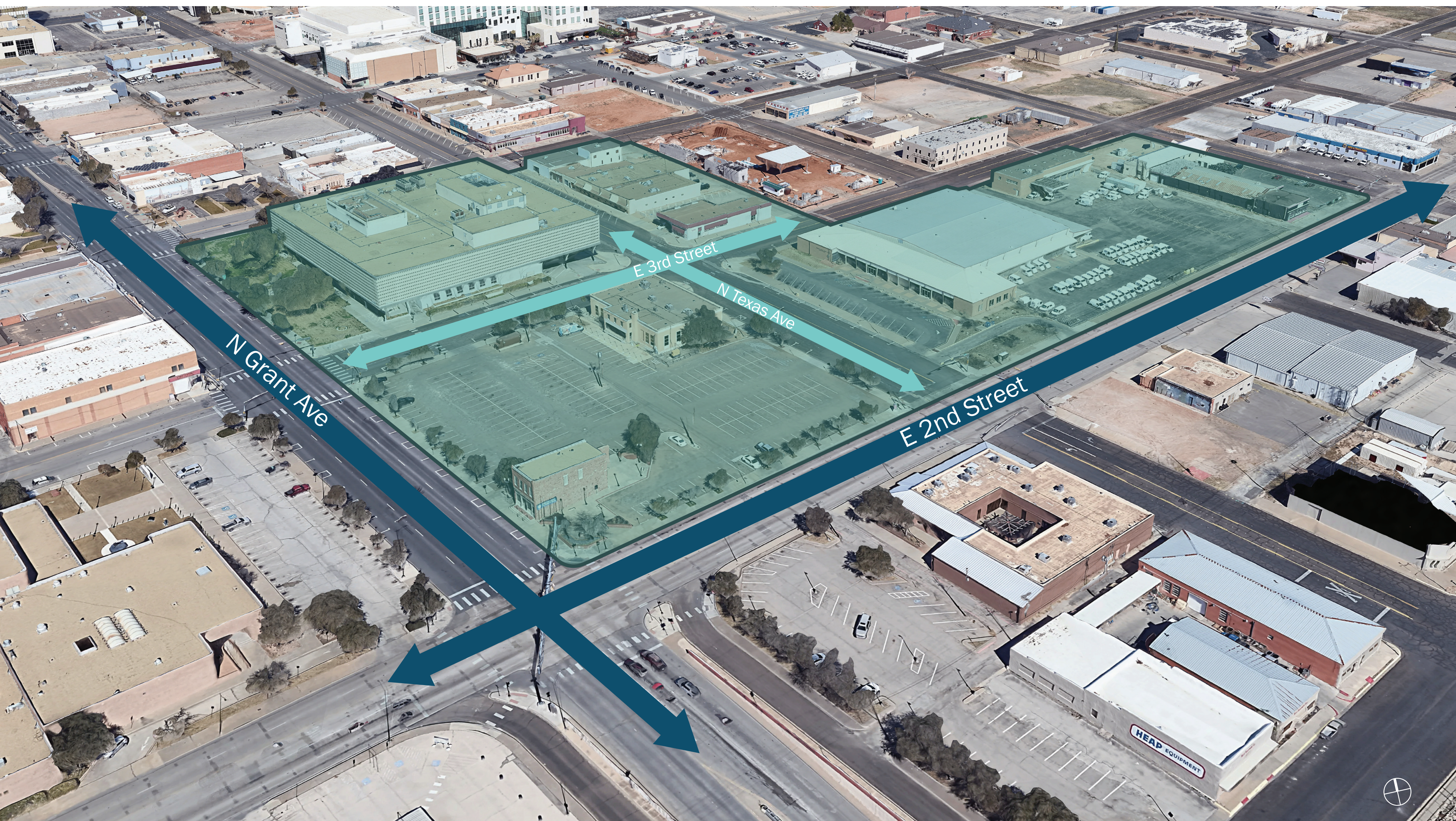
Courthouse | Entry Approach from Civic Park

## Guiding Principles:

- Maximize safety and security for all users
- Maintainable, durable, adaptable, expandable
- Design for space flow and efficiency
- Create a community hub



Visioning Workshop



Aerial view of existing site

## Courthouse Summary:

Location: Odessa, TX

Building Area:  
267,000 Gross Square Feet (GSF)  
(Secure Parking Excluded)

292,000 GSF  
(Secure Parking Included)

### Program:

- District Court
- 446th District Court
- District Clerk
- District Attorney
- County Courts-at-Law
- County Clerk
- County Attorney
- Justice of the Peace
- Justice of the Peace Clerk
- Grand Jury / IV-D / CPS / Guardianship
- Sheriff
- Jury Assembly
- Legal Resource Center
- Pre-Trial/ Post Sentence Monitoring
- Adult Probation
- County Judge
- Information Technology

### Building Height:

5 Levels above grade  
1 Lower Level

### Courtroom Summary:

- (6) District Court
- (1) 446th District Court
- (3) County Court of Law
- (3) Justice of the Peace
- (2) CPS/ Guardianship/ IV-D



# ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE



# PUBLIC SURVEY RESULTS

## Civic Park

- What types of events would you be interested in attending at the new Civic Park?

|                              | NOT AT ALL LIKELY | SOMEWHAT UNLIKELY | NEUTRAL | SOMEWHAT LIKELY | VERY LIKELY |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------|-------------|
| Music in the Park            | 18.9%             | 10.0%             | 13.9%   | 28.3%           | 29.0%       |
| Farmer’s Market              | 13.5%             | 8.4%              | 7.2%    | 25.0%           | 45.9%       |
| Family Movie in the Park     | 28.5%             | 8.6%              | 19.2%   | 23.2%           | 20.5%       |
| Art Fairs                    | 23.0%             | 11.6%             | 18.4%   | 23.5%           | 23.5%       |
| Open-Air Markets             | 17.3%             | 6.9%              | 14.7%   | 26.6%           | 34.5%       |
| Special Events/ Festivals    | 15.4%             | 7.6%              | 8.7%    | 28.4%           | 29.8%       |
| Theatre in the Park          | 24.8%             | 7.4%              | 18.0%   | 27.1%           | 22.6%       |
| Events Hosted by the Library | 19.3%             | 10.4%             | 20.6%   | 26.2%           | 23.5%       |

- Civic Park feature would you enjoy or use most?

|                         | NOT AT ALL LIKELY | SOMEWHAT UNLIKELY | NEUTRAL | SOMEWHAT LIKELY | VERY LIKELY |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------|-------------|
| Seating/ Park Benches   | 12.9%             | 6.5%              | 10.6%   | 27.8%           | 42.1%       |
| Picnic/ Outdoor Dining  | 19.6%             | 9.0%              | 15.0%   | 25.2%           | 31.3%       |
| Walk Path               | 14.7%             | 8.8%              | 9.1%    | 26.0%           | 41.4%       |
| Water Feature/ Fountain | 18.9%             | 7.9%              | 16.1%   | 24.4%           | 32.8%       |
| Food Trucks             | 19.0%             | 8.3%              | 16.2%   | 26.3%           | 31.3%       |

## Courthouse

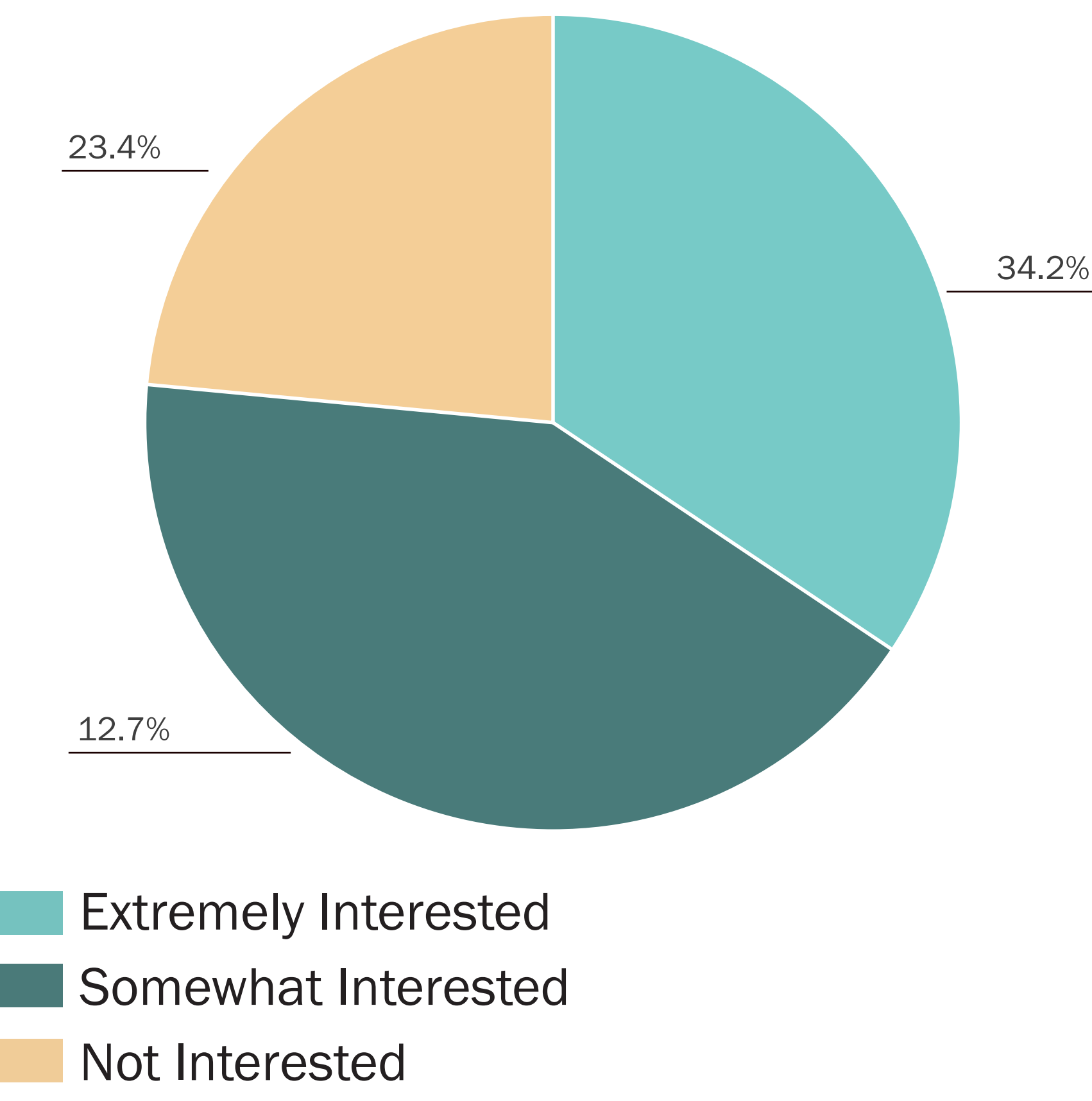
- For the new courthouse, how important are the following:

|                                      | VERY UNIMPORTANT | SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT | NEUTRAL | SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT | VERY IMPORTANT |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------|--------------------|----------------|
| Cleanliness                          | 10.1%            | 1.2%                 | 6.3%    | 16.3%              | 66.1%          |
| Easy to Navigate inside the Building | 7.4%             | 2.5%                 | 6.3%    | 17.4%              | 66.4%          |
| Multilingual Signage                 | 20.1%            | 7.5%                 | 32.3%   | 13.8%              | 26.3%          |
| Convenient Parking                   | 6.6%             | 2.0%                 | 6.8%    | 17.9%              | 66.7%          |
| Sense of Safety in the Building      | 6.0%             | 2.4%                 | 6.4%    | 10.7%              | 74.4%          |
| Low Wait Times at Security Screening | 5.4%             | 3.5%                 | 15.4%   | 30.2%              | 45.6%          |
| Physical Accessibility               | 5.5%             | 1.6%                 | 16.2%   | 20.2%              | 56.5%          |
| Available Food/ Drink                | 16.2%            | 11.8%                | 29.6%   | 24.5%              | 17.8%          |

- How important are the following characteristics for the new County Courthouse in downtown Odessa?

|                                                                                                       | VERY UNIMPORTANT | SOMEWHAT UNIMPORTANT | NEUTRAL | SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT | VERY IMPORTANT |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|---------|--------------------|----------------|
| Stands out as a Courthouse, a Symbol of Justice, and is visually different from surrounding buildings | 13.5%            | 8.2%                 | 19.1%   | 26.6%              | 32.6%          |
| Blends into community surroundings                                                                    | 15.0%            | 16.4%                | 34.2%   | 21.3%              | 13.1%          |
| Conveys permanence and stately presence                                                               | 10.5%            | 5.5%                 | 19.2%   | 27.2%              | 37.6%          |
| Feels approachable and friendly                                                                       | 9.3%             | 6.2%                 | 18.4%   | 28.7%              | 37.4%          |
| Acts as a community hub for events                                                                    | 18.1%            | 12.6%                | 23.1%   | 21.6%              | 24.6%          |

Interest in Events at the New Civic Park:

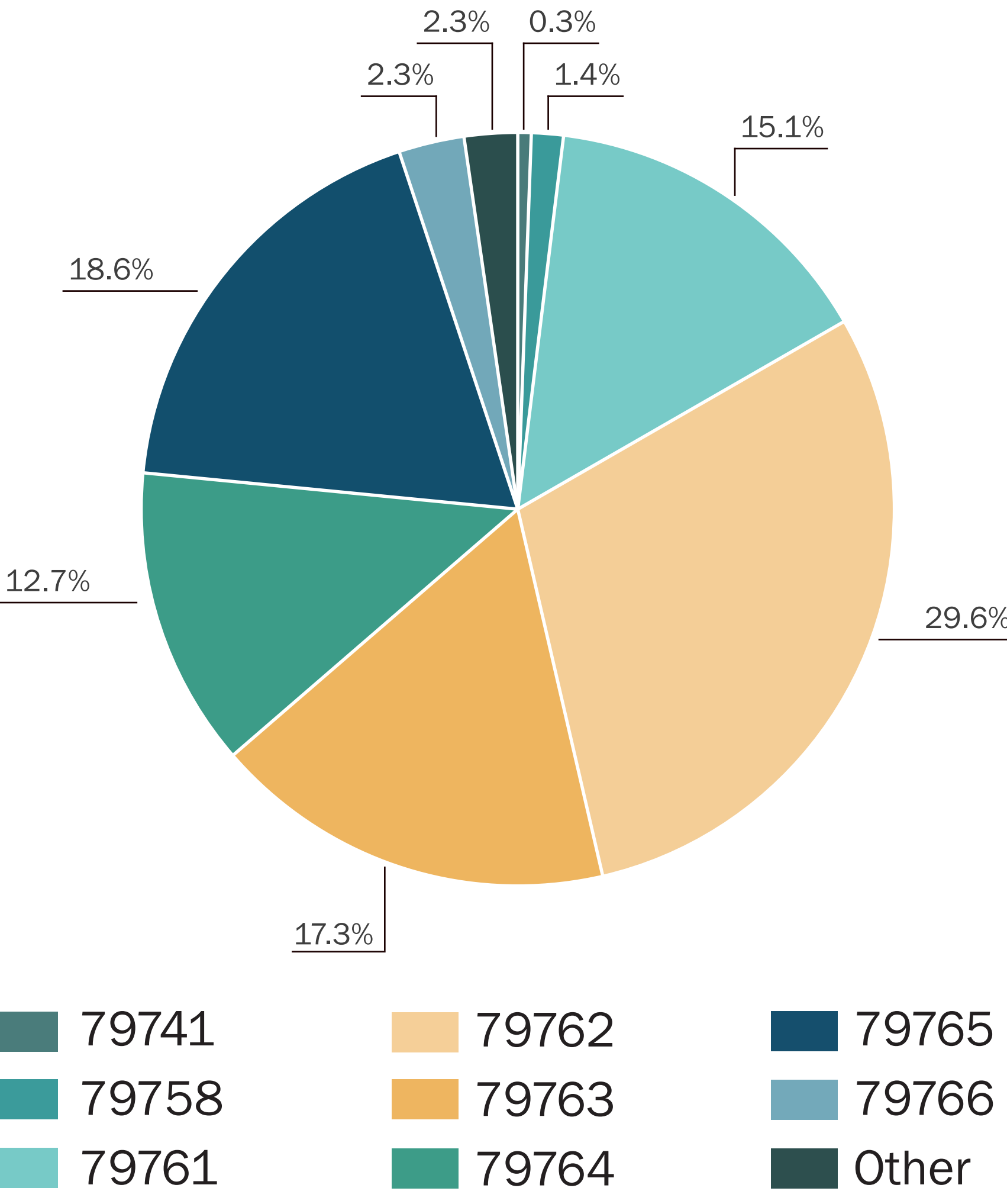


## Public Survey:

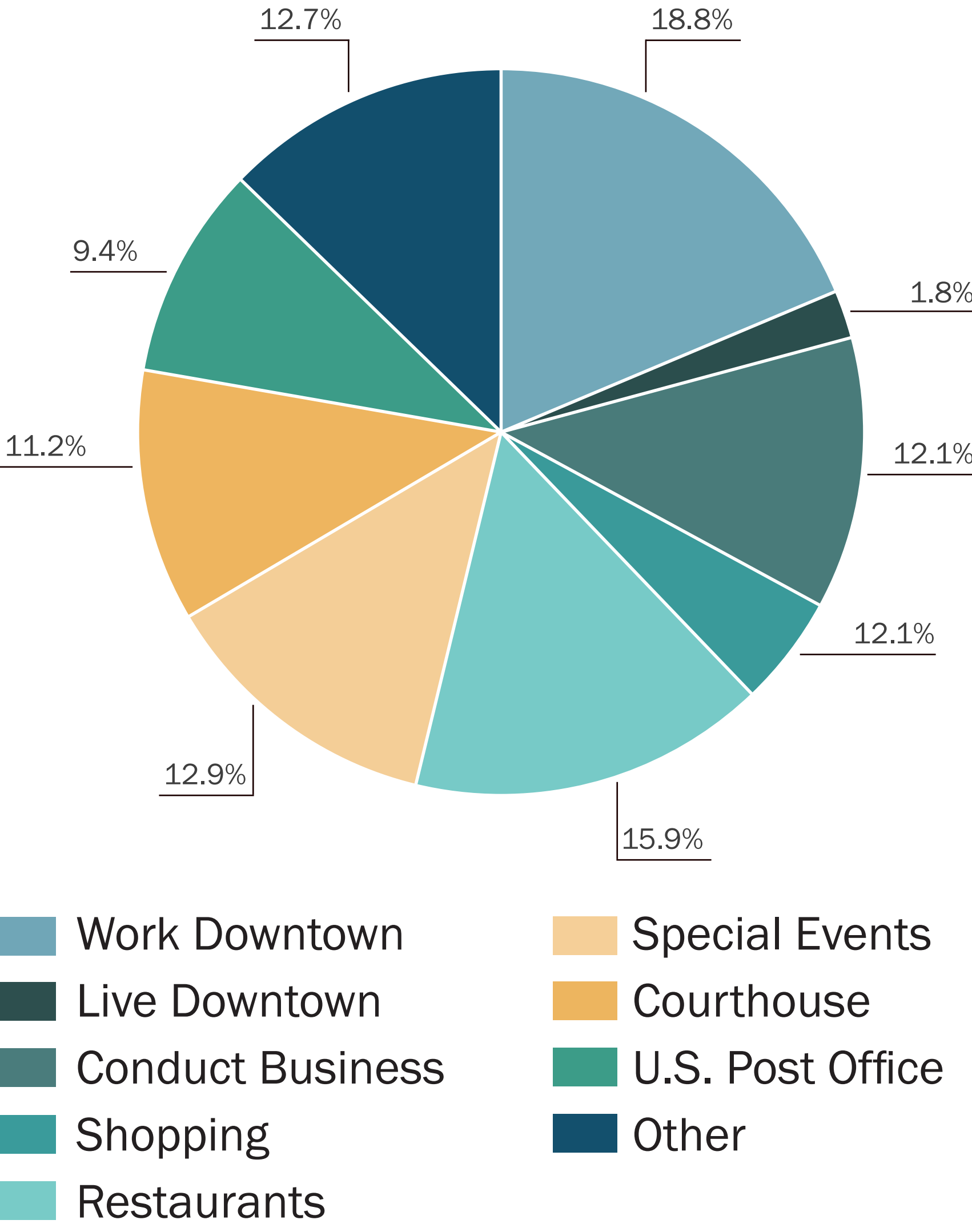
Total Respondents:1,037

- 98.2% have been to the existing courthouse
- 97.6% have visited the existing courthouse more than once, of which 12.2% visit daily
- 74.8% of respondents visit the existing courthouse because of jury duty, they work in the courthouse, or to access County records in the County Clerk’s office
- 80.8% of respondents have lived in Ector for more than 20 years
- 37.2% of respondents identify as Hispanic and 64.2% as White

Survey Respondents’ Zip code:



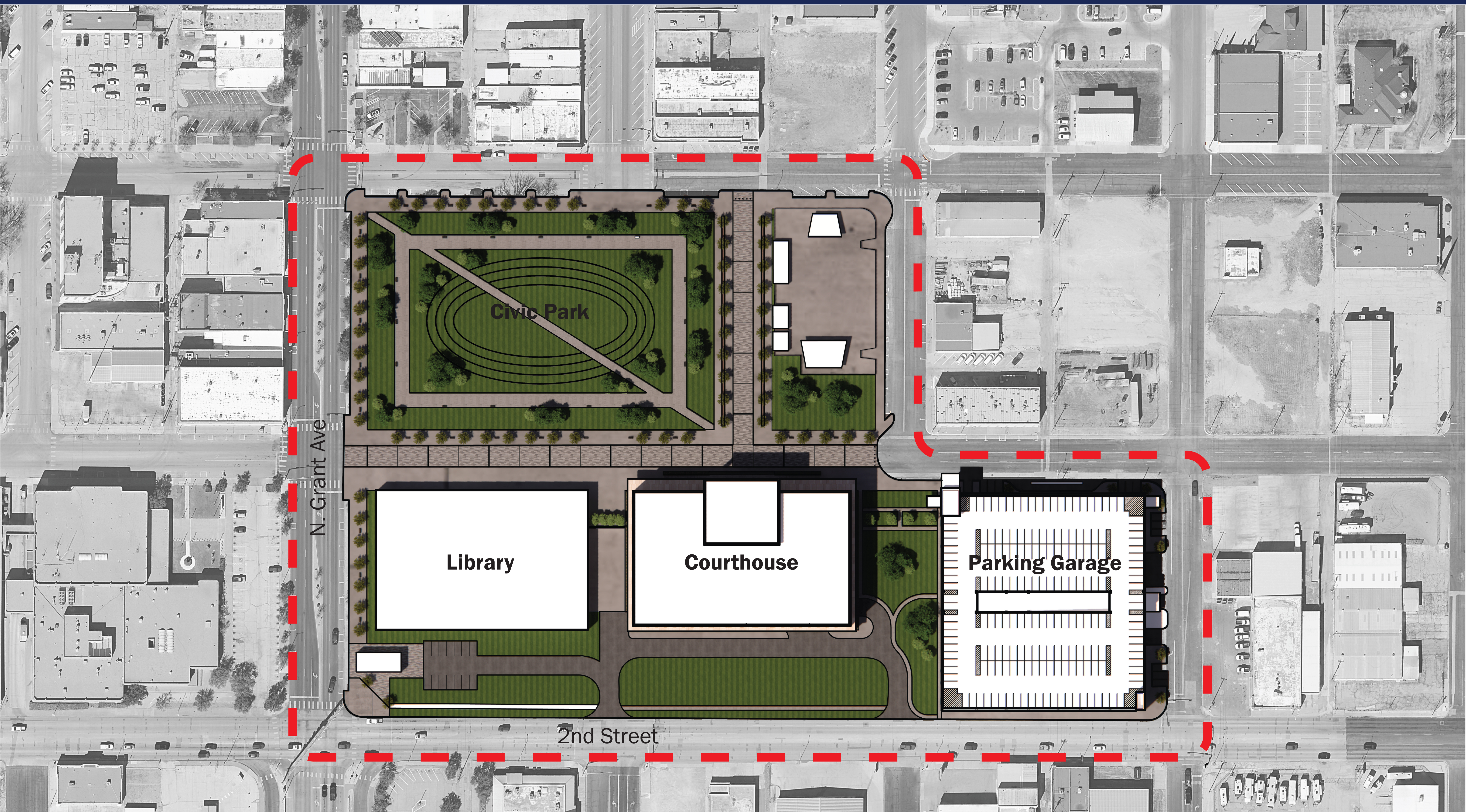
Reason for Visiting Downtown:



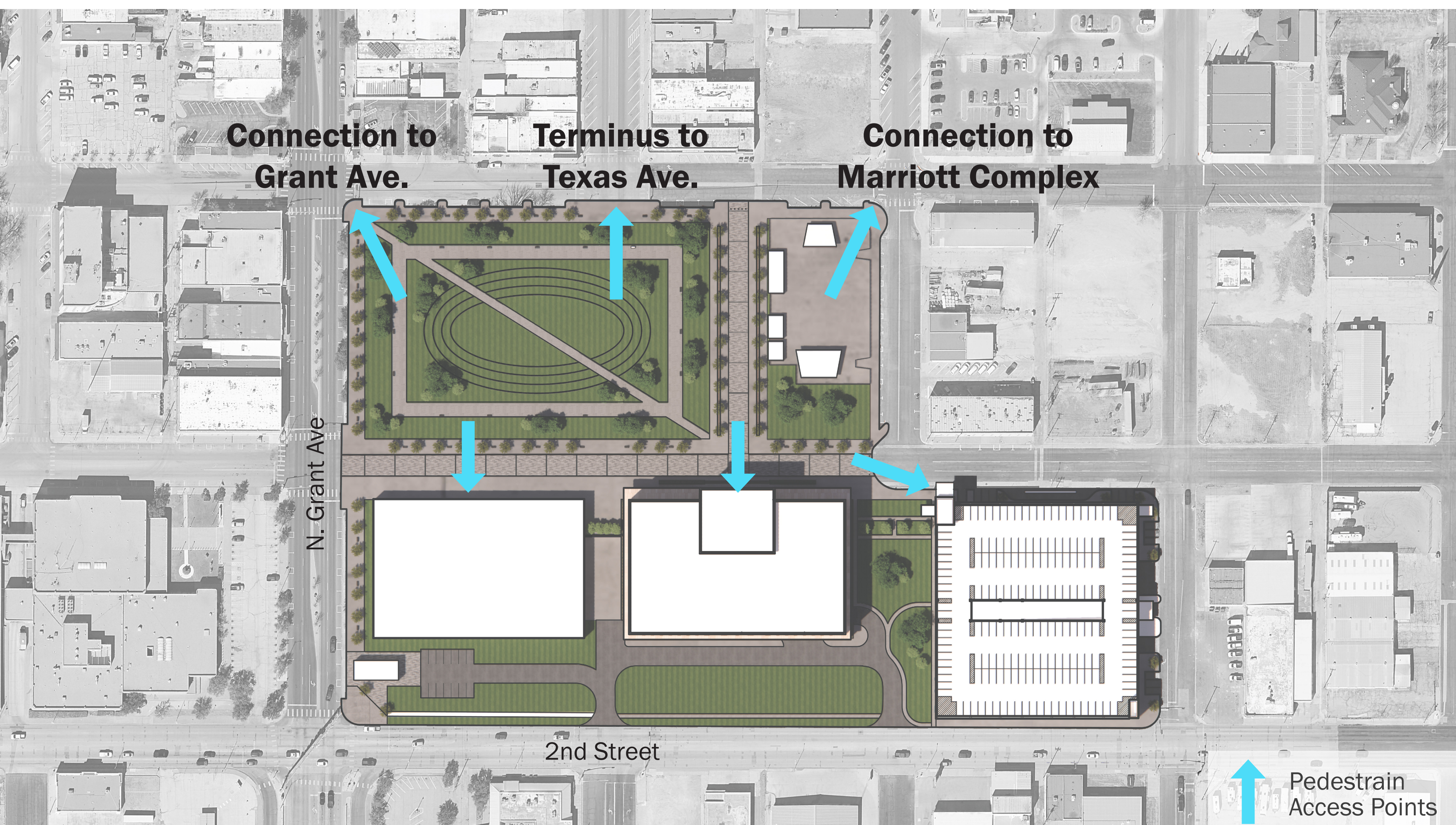
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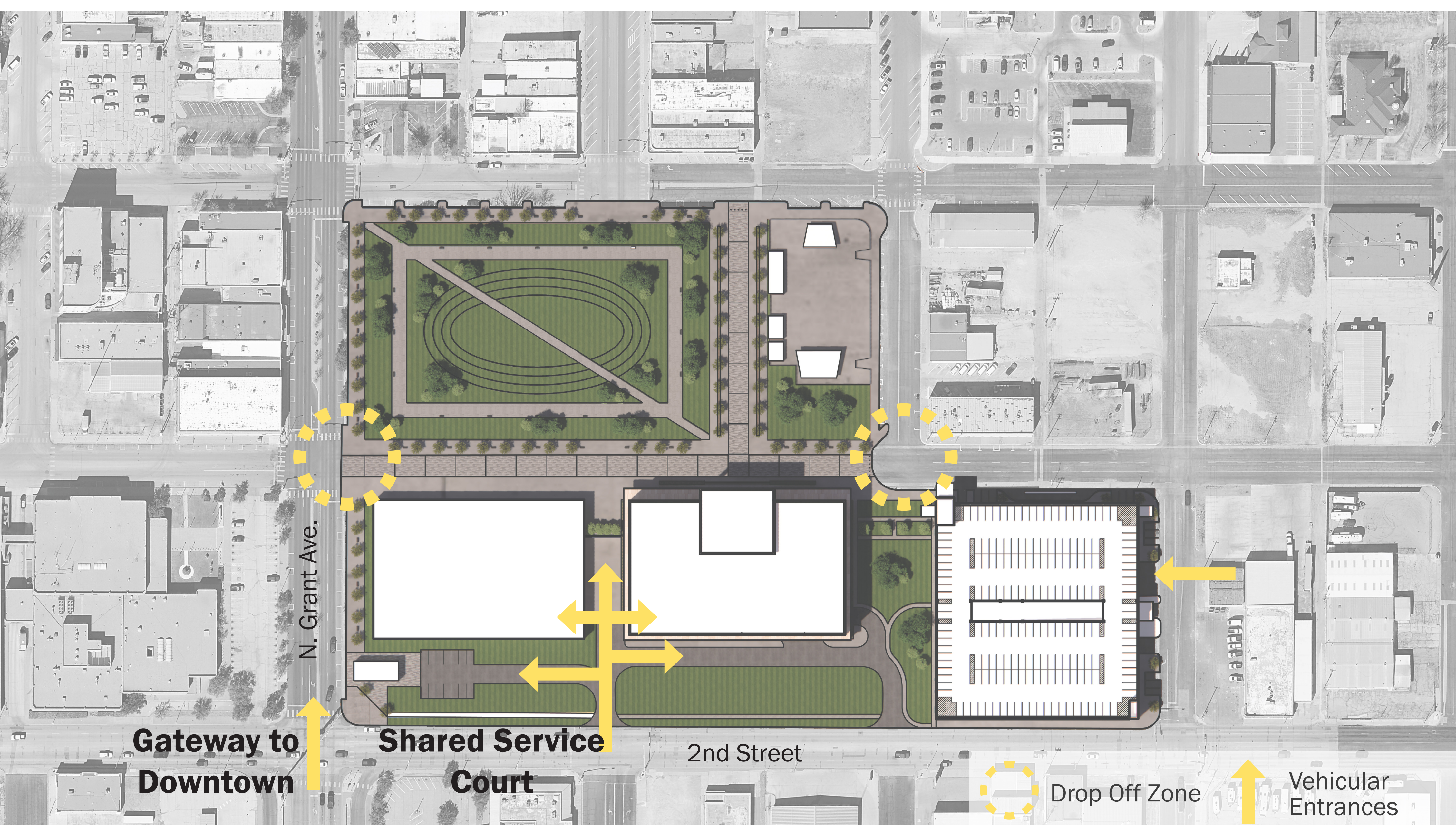
# MASTER PLAN



Site Master Plan



Pedestrian Site Context



Vehicular Site Context

## Master Plan

The Library, Courthouse, and Parking Garage feature prominent facades on multiple sides: the north from the park, the south from 2nd Street, and the Library along Grant Avenue, limiting opportunities and locations to create a service side. The master plan includes strategies to minimize the visibility of service areas and preserve design opportunities on the North and South facades, as well as the west façade of the Library. With the closing of Texas Avenue, the intersection of Grant Avenue and 2nd Street becomes a new gateway into downtown Odessa.

A pedestrian thoroughfare, along the 3rd Street corridor, allows pedestrians to move efficiently and safely across the site in the east-west direction. The public entries for the Library, Courthouse, Parking Garage pedestrian access, and the USPS retail storefront are all located along the east-west pedestrian thoroughfare, giving the Courthouse and Library prominence on the Civic Park and activating the park with activity. A vehicular drop-off is proposed at two locations: one at the west end, along Grant Avenue near the Library, and the second at the intersection of Jackson and 3rd Streets.



# ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE



# COURTHOUSE BUILDING DESIGN



Courthouse | Entry Approach from Civic Park



Courthouse | East Approach from Parking Garage



Courthouse | View from 2nd Street

## Civic Expression

The new Ector County Courthouse is the primary component of an urban redevelopment plan for a 5-block area in the heart of downtown Odessa. The courthouse placement and connection to the new civic park creates a welcoming and inviting civic experience for Ector County residents. The exterior draws on traditional architectural language found in the original Ector County Courthouse and organizes the massing into a defined base, middle, and top to convey permanence and civic identity. The building's symmetrical plan reinforces the traditional references creating an overall balance in the exterior design.

## Character and Spirit:

- Timeless
- Prominent
- Iconic
- Honorable
- Permanence
- Tradition

## Survey Responses:

- Stands out as a courthouse and is visually different from the surrounding buildings
- Conveys permanence and a stately presence
- Feels approachable and friendly



# ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE



# ENTRY & PUBLIC CIRCULATION



Main Public Entry | Screening Area and Public Lobby



Section of Courthouse Entry Sequence

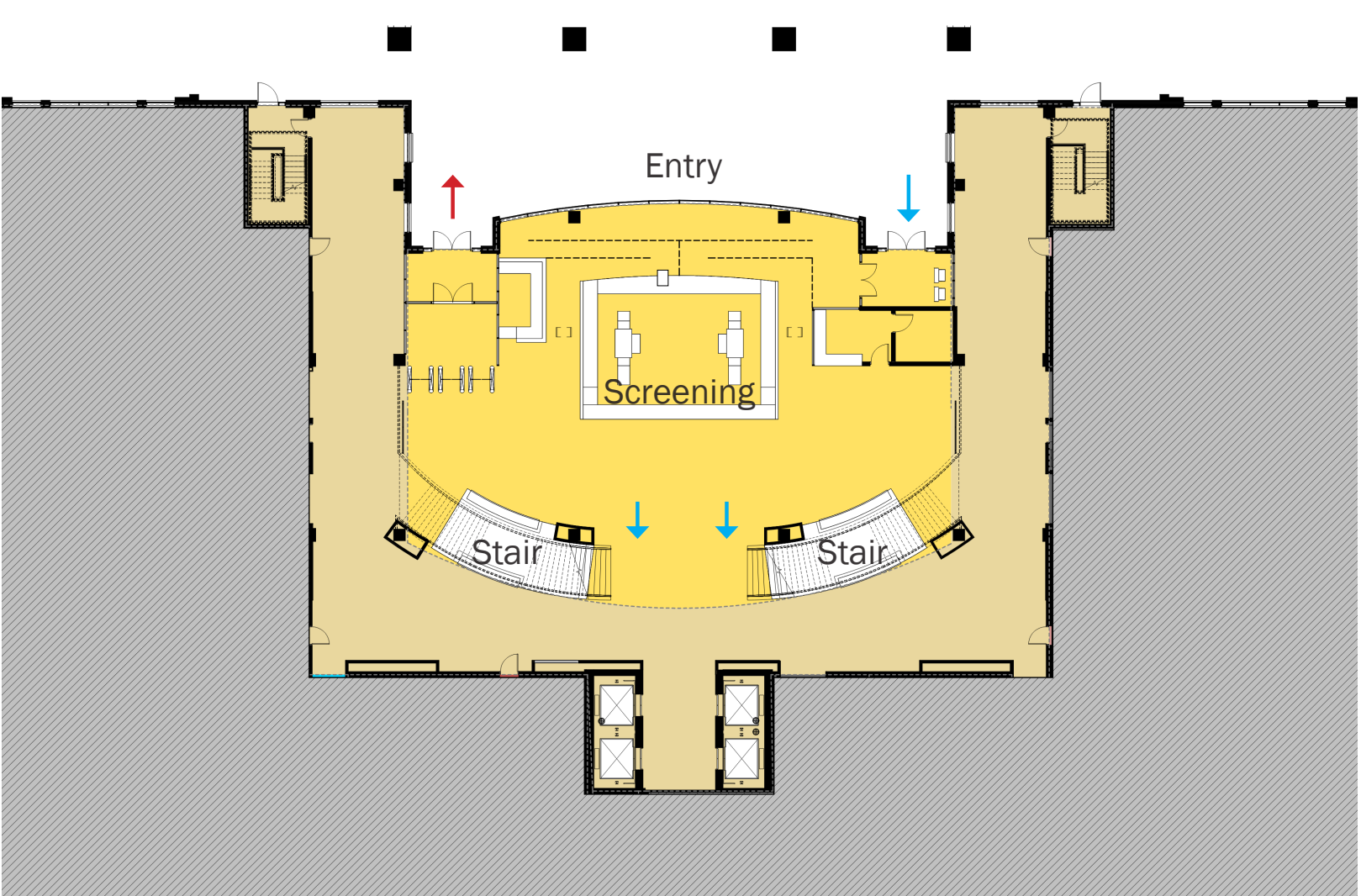
Upon entering the courthouse, the public and staff encounter an easy-to-navigate, efficient screening experience. After screening, benches provide patrons with a place to regroup or wait for others. Digital monitors inform visitors of docket schedules and courtroom assignments. An information desk and information kiosks allow visitors to ask questions or obtain additional information.

The two-story lobby allows visitors to make an immediate visual connection to the departments located on the first two floors. An open stair anchors the entry sequence, directly linking two floors of high-volume public interface departments and reinforcing intuitive wayfinding.

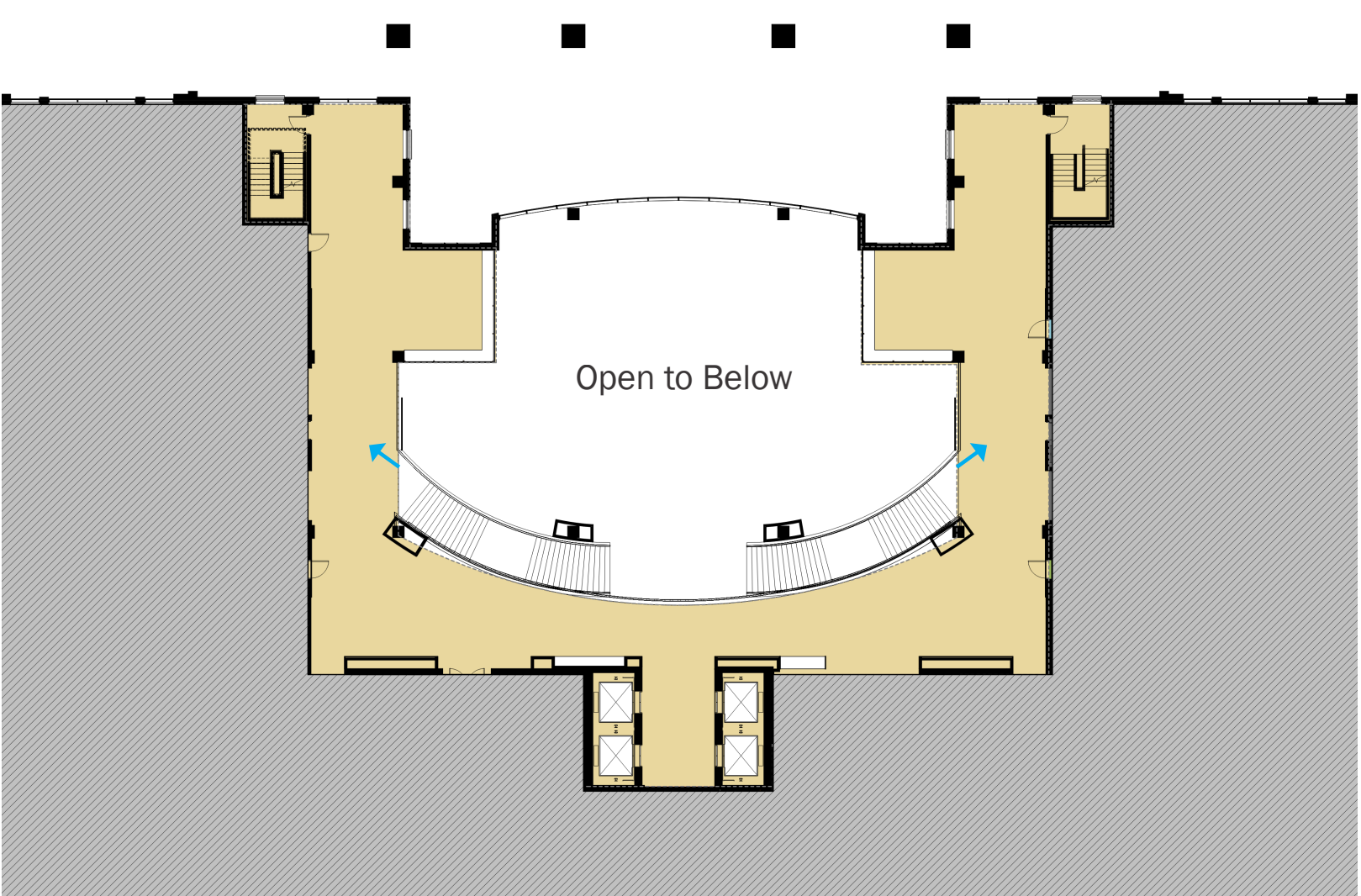
On court floors, public circulation galleries offer courtroom waiting areas and views of the civic park, reinforcing the courthouse’s relationship to the community it serves. Access to daylight and exterior views contributes to a calming environment.



Public Experience | Building Approach and Entrance



Key Plan | Level 1 Entry Lobby



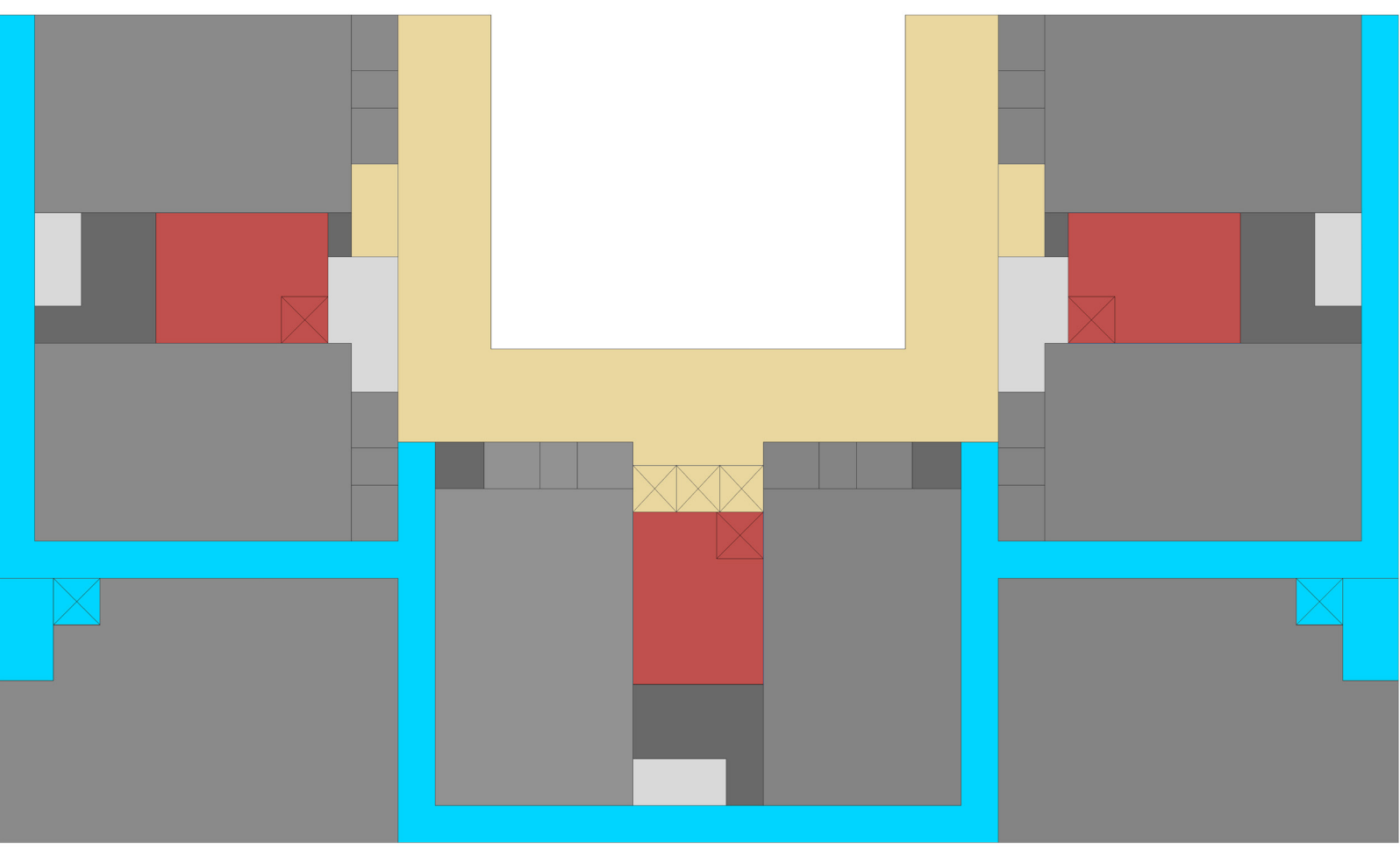
Key Plan | Level 2 Lobby

## Survey Responses:

- Easy to navigate inside the building
- Sense of safety inside the building
- Calming environment
- Access to daylight and views outdoors
- Feels approachable and friendly

## Circulation:

- Public
- Secure
- Staff



Key Plan | Typical Courtroom Floor



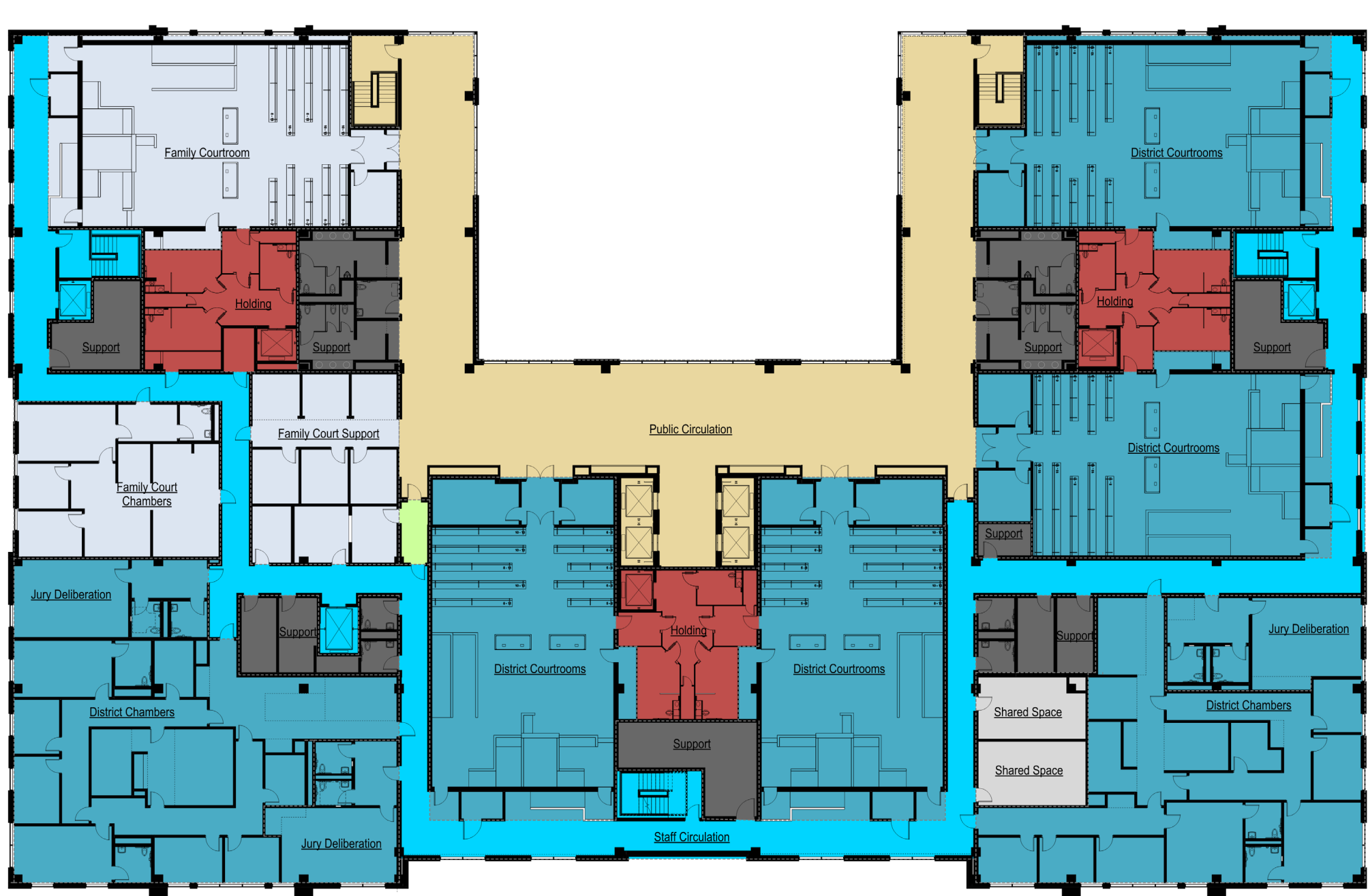
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# COURTHOUSE ORGANIZATION

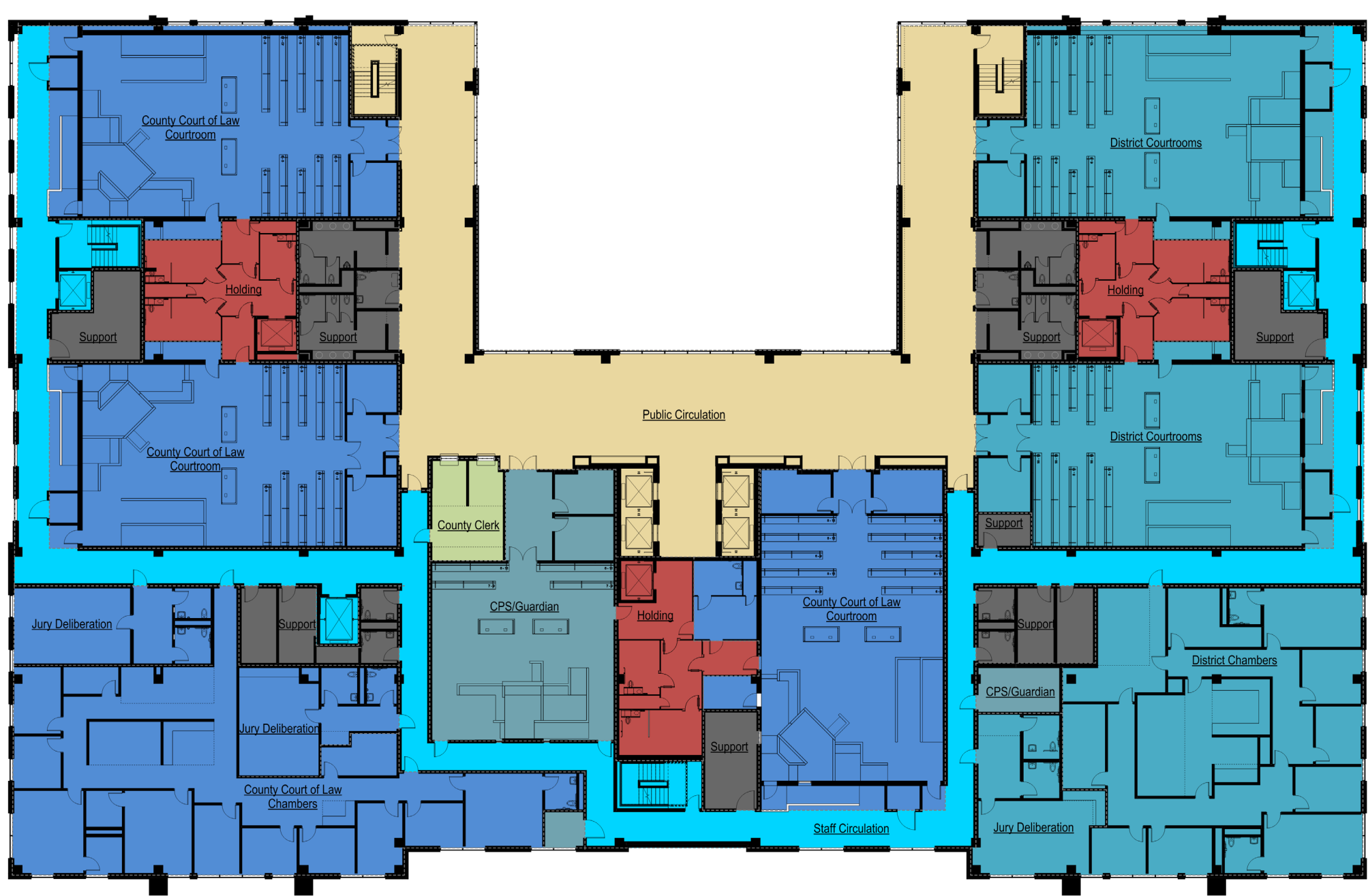
## Level 5

- District Court
- 446th District Court / Family Court
- Holding



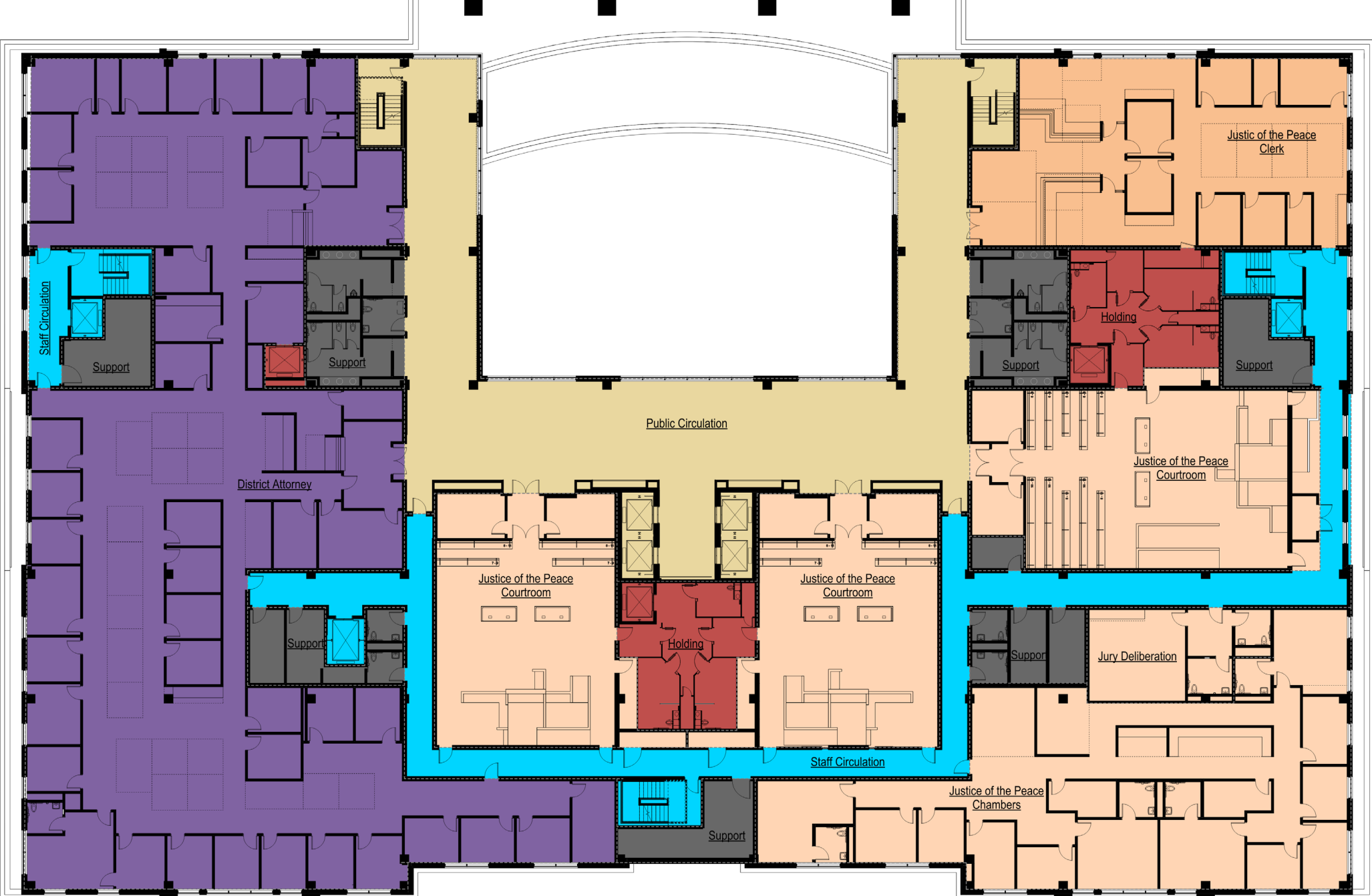
## Level 4

- County Court-at-Law
- District Court
- CPS / Guardian
- Holding



## Level 3

- JOTP Clerks
- Justice of the Peace
- District Attorney
- Holding



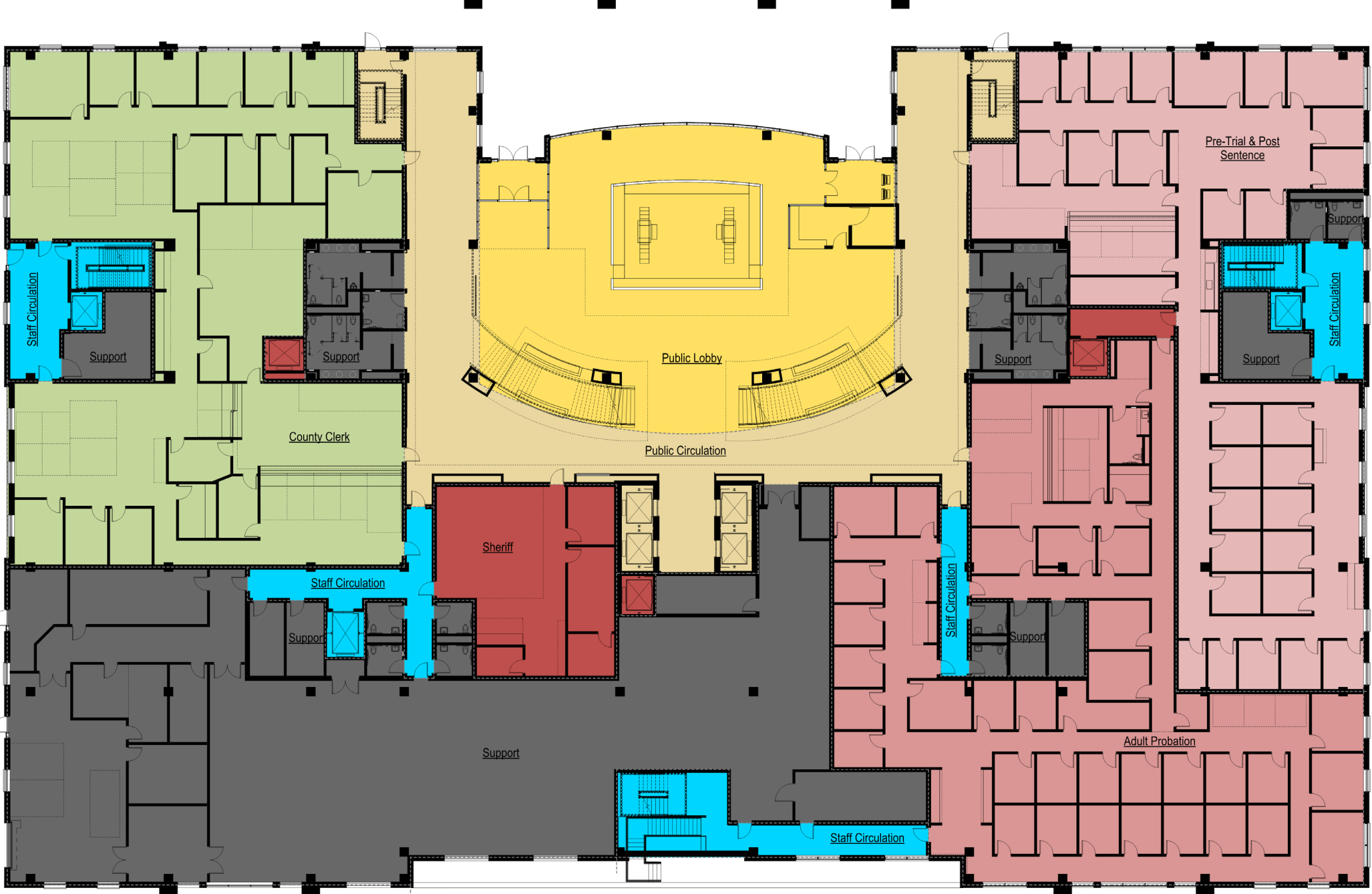
## Level 2

- District Clerk
- County Judge
- County Attorney
- Grand Jury / IV-D
- Jury Assembly
- Legal Resource Center
- Information Technology
- Staff Joint Use



## Level 1

- Public Lobby
- County Clerk
- Pre-Trial / PSM
- Adult Probation
- Sheriff / Building Security
- Building Support



## Level 0

- Holding
- Secure Parking



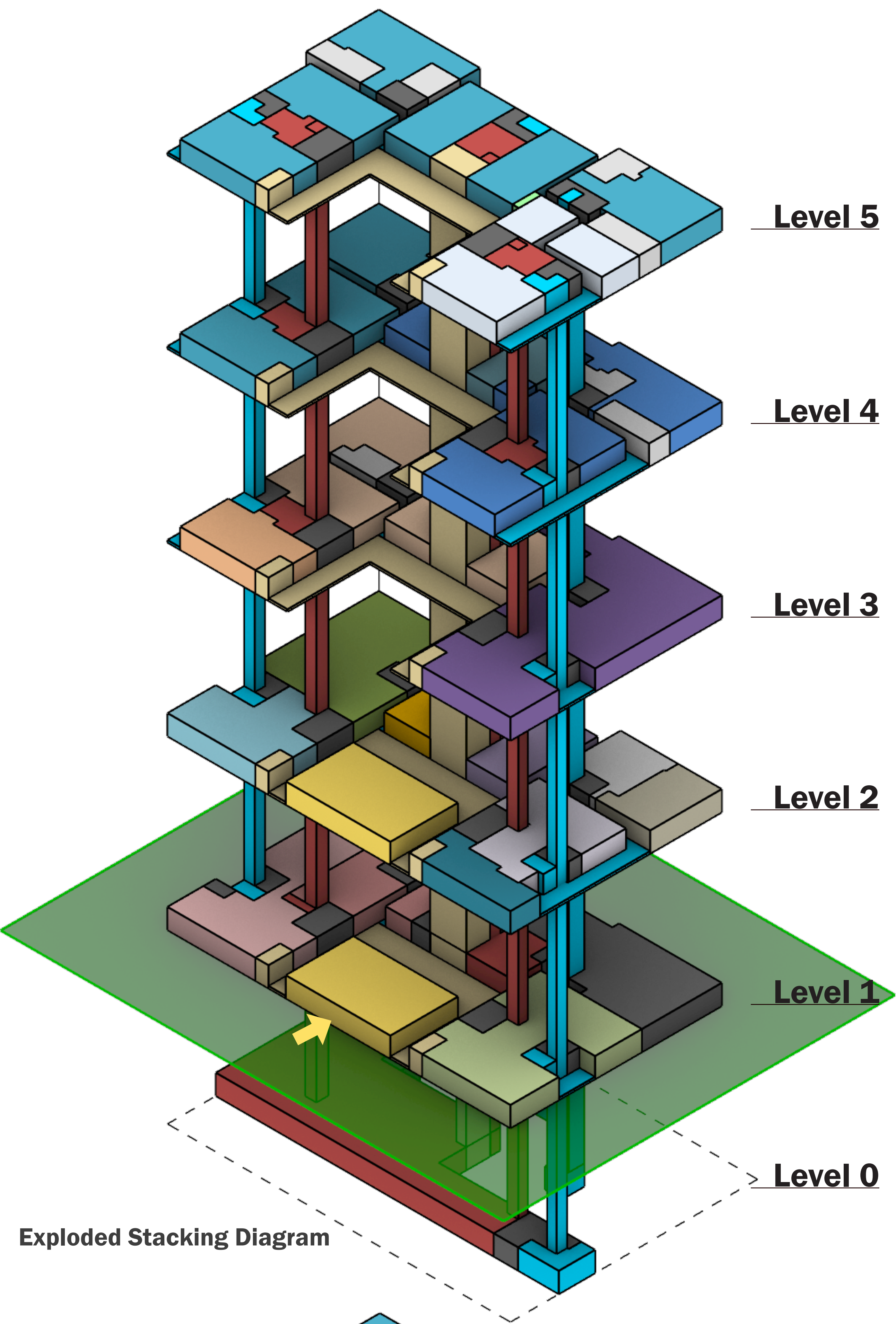
Departmental Floor Plans

## Building Organization:

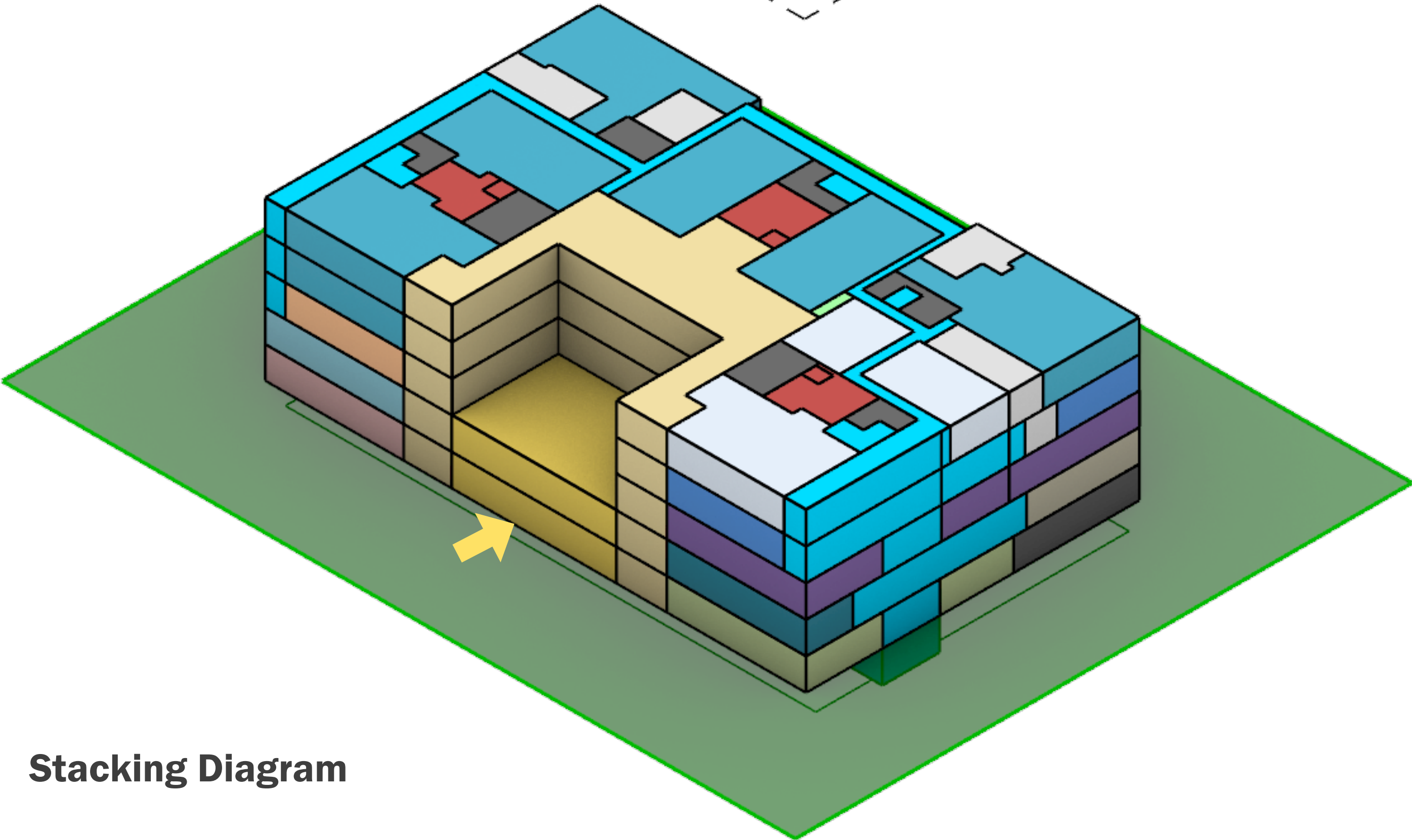
High-volume functions such as the County Clerk, Probation, Pretrial Services, and Jury Assembly are located on floors 1 and 2 to increase public accessibility, reduce demands on the public elevators, and enhance security. Departmental adjacencies prioritize; customer service, wayfinding, security, and operational efficiencies between departments that work in collaboration.

Departmental entry points create a curated the public experience making it easy to navigate the building. Staff areas, support spaces, and departmental adjacencies, staffing efficiency, and security.

The building organization strategically places departments to support future expansion, adding up to future District and/or County Court of Law courtsets, without expanding the building footprint.



Exploded Stacking Diagram



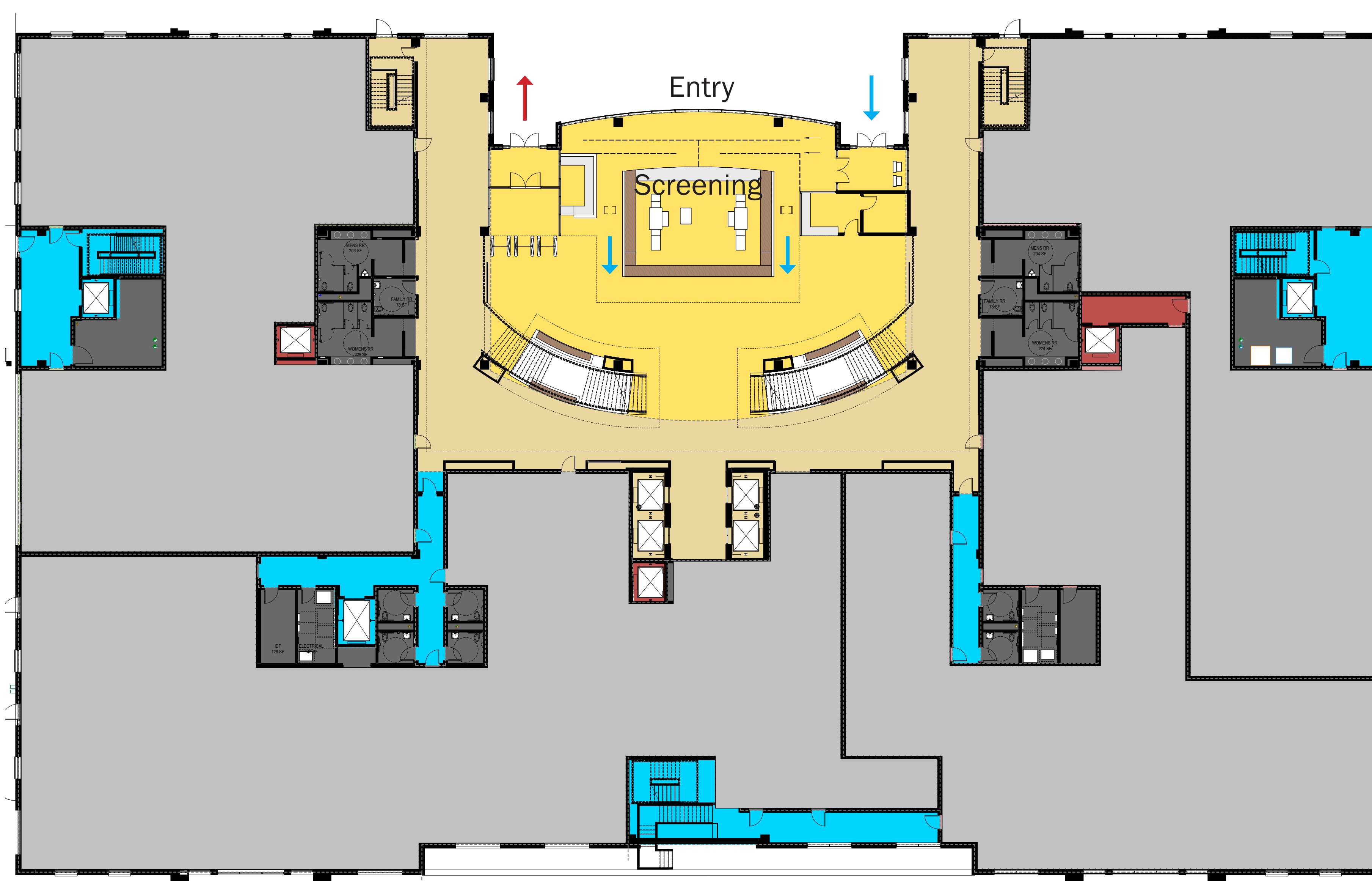
Stacking Diagram



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# COURTHOUSE SECURITY

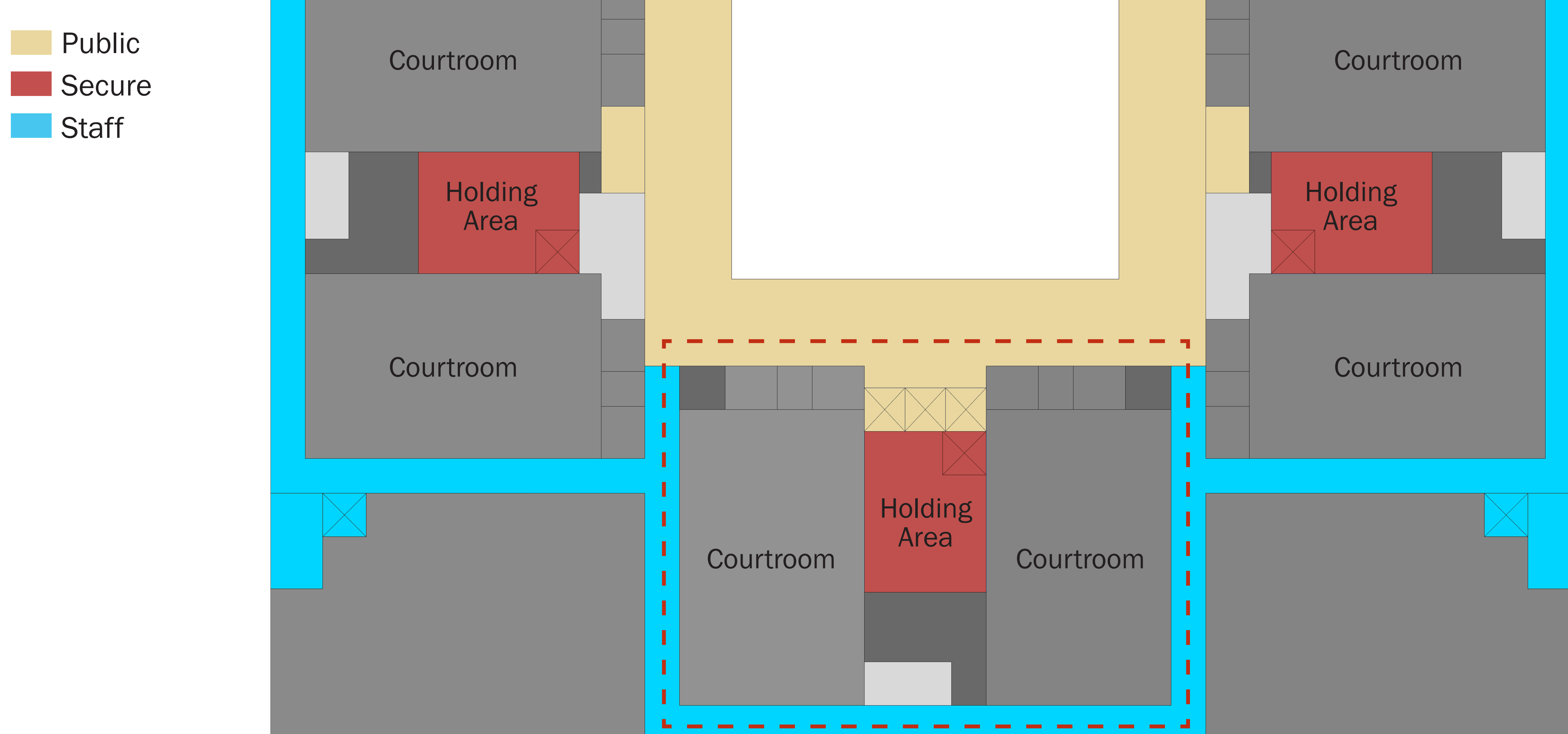


## Floor Plan | Secure Entry Screening

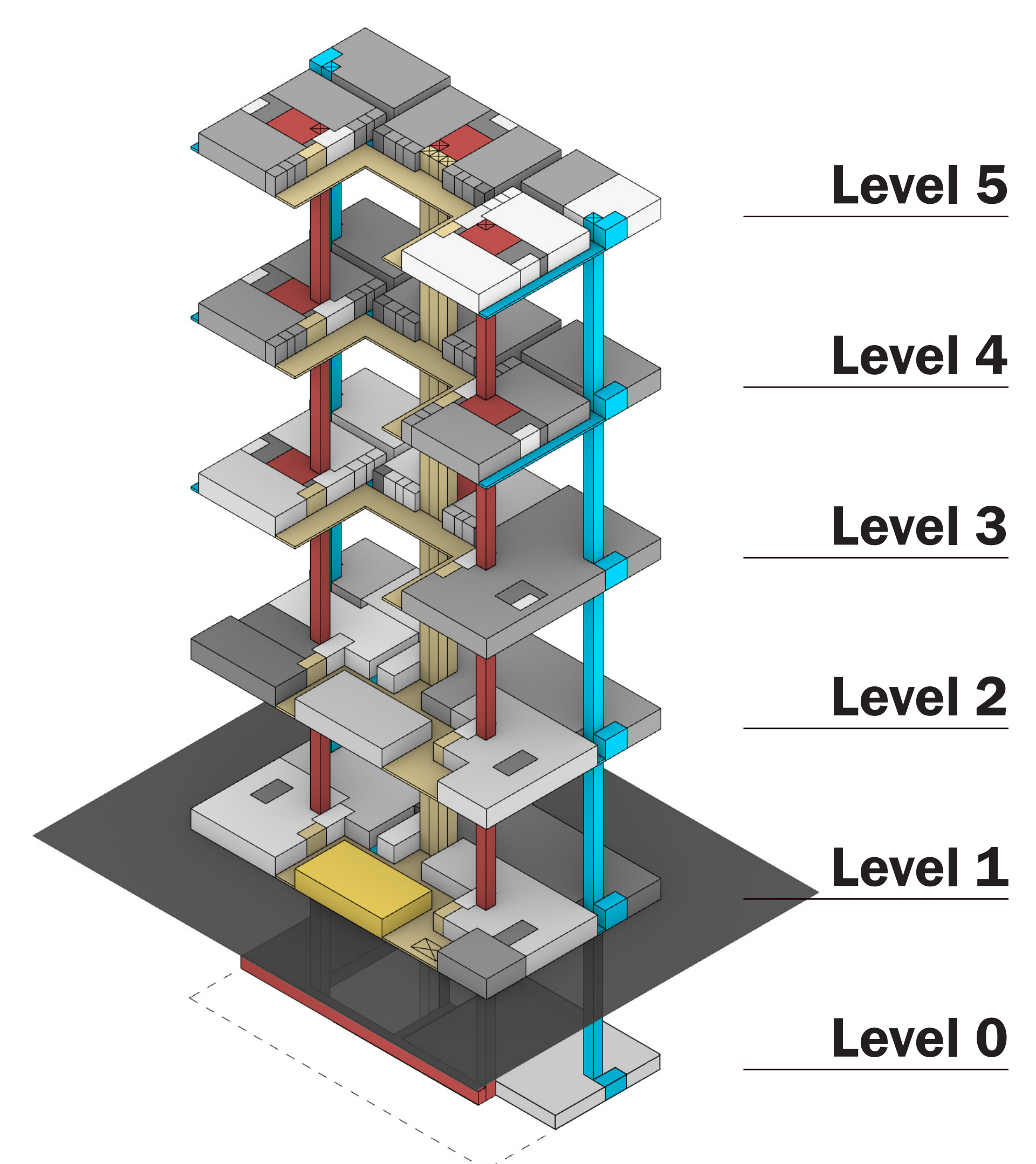
## Security Planning Principles:

A Guiding Principle from the Visioning Session highlighted the importance of “maximizing safety and security for all users.” The new courthouse security design provides three separate circulation systems: public, staff (restricted), and secure in-custody movement. Occupants move within a circulation zone without crossing paths with occupants in another zone. The three groups only come together in the controlled setting of the courtroom.

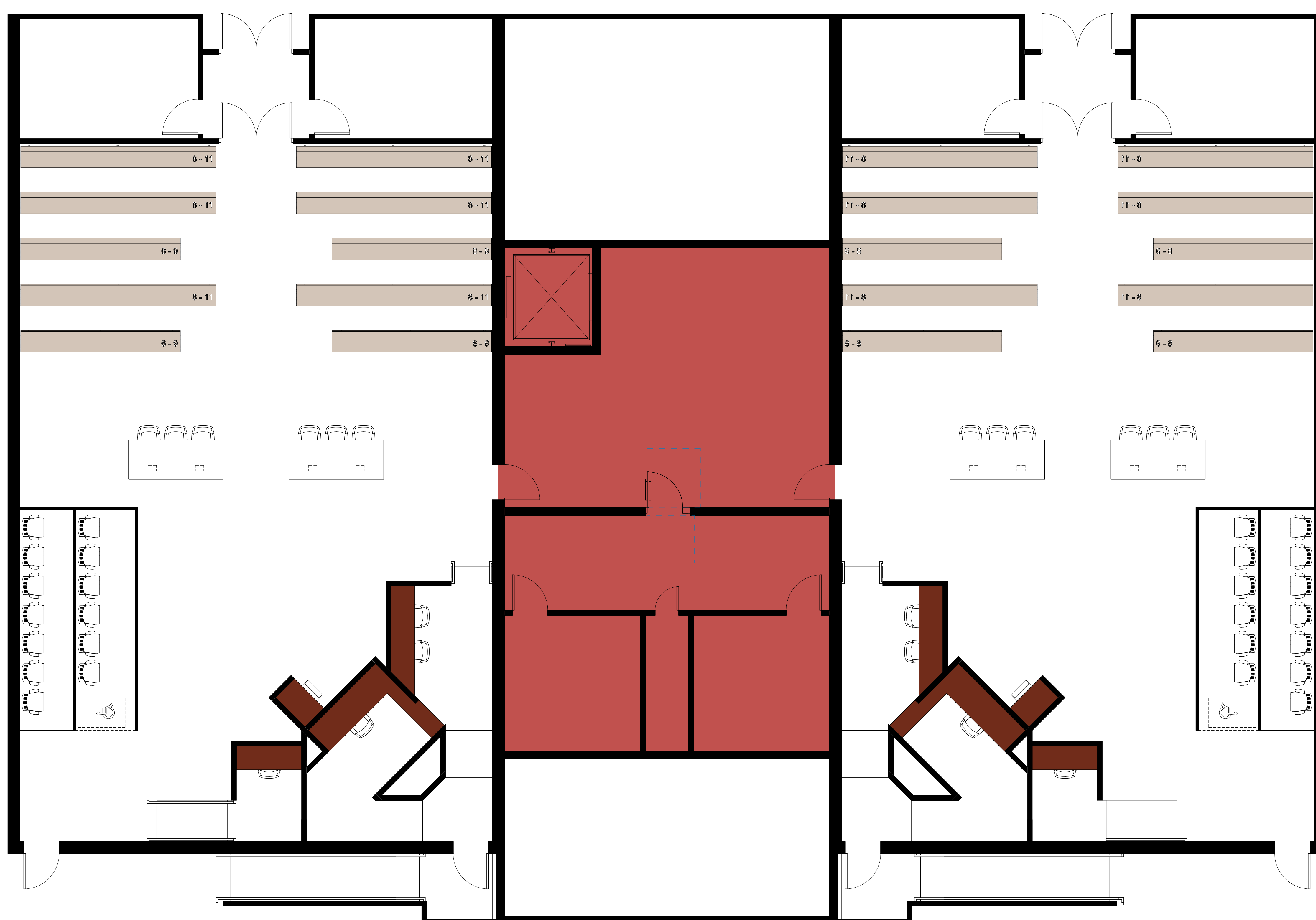
**Circulation:**



### Court Floor Plan | Circulation Diagram



### Secure Circulation Stacking Diagram



## Floor Plan | Courtroom and Holding Set

### Survey Responses:

- Sense of safety in the building
- Low wait times at security screening
- Presence of security measures



# ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE



# PARKING GARAGE



Parking Garage | Northwest Corner



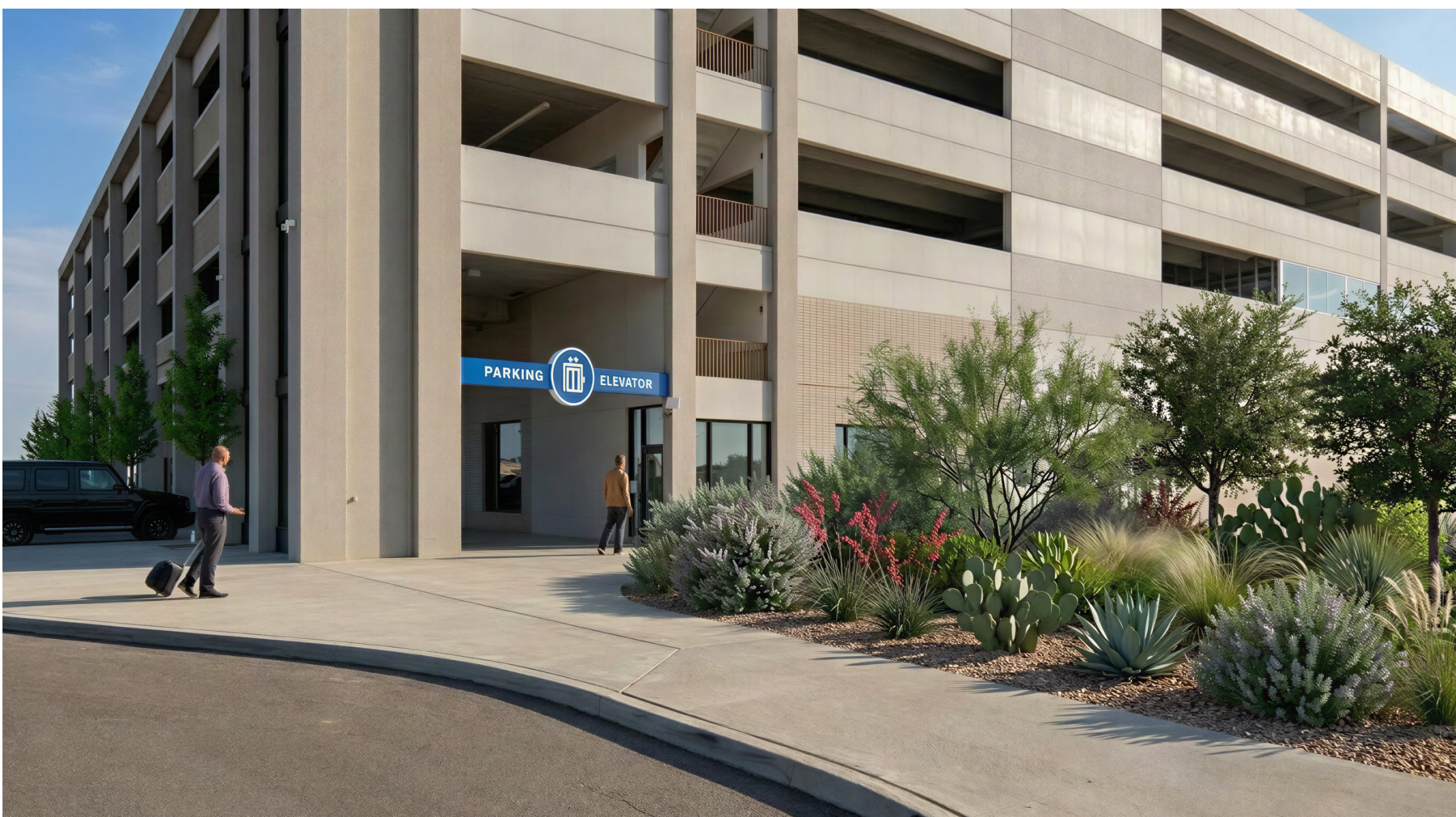
Parking Garage | Southeast Corner



Parking Garage | Pedestrian Walkway



Parking Garage | Vehicular Entry



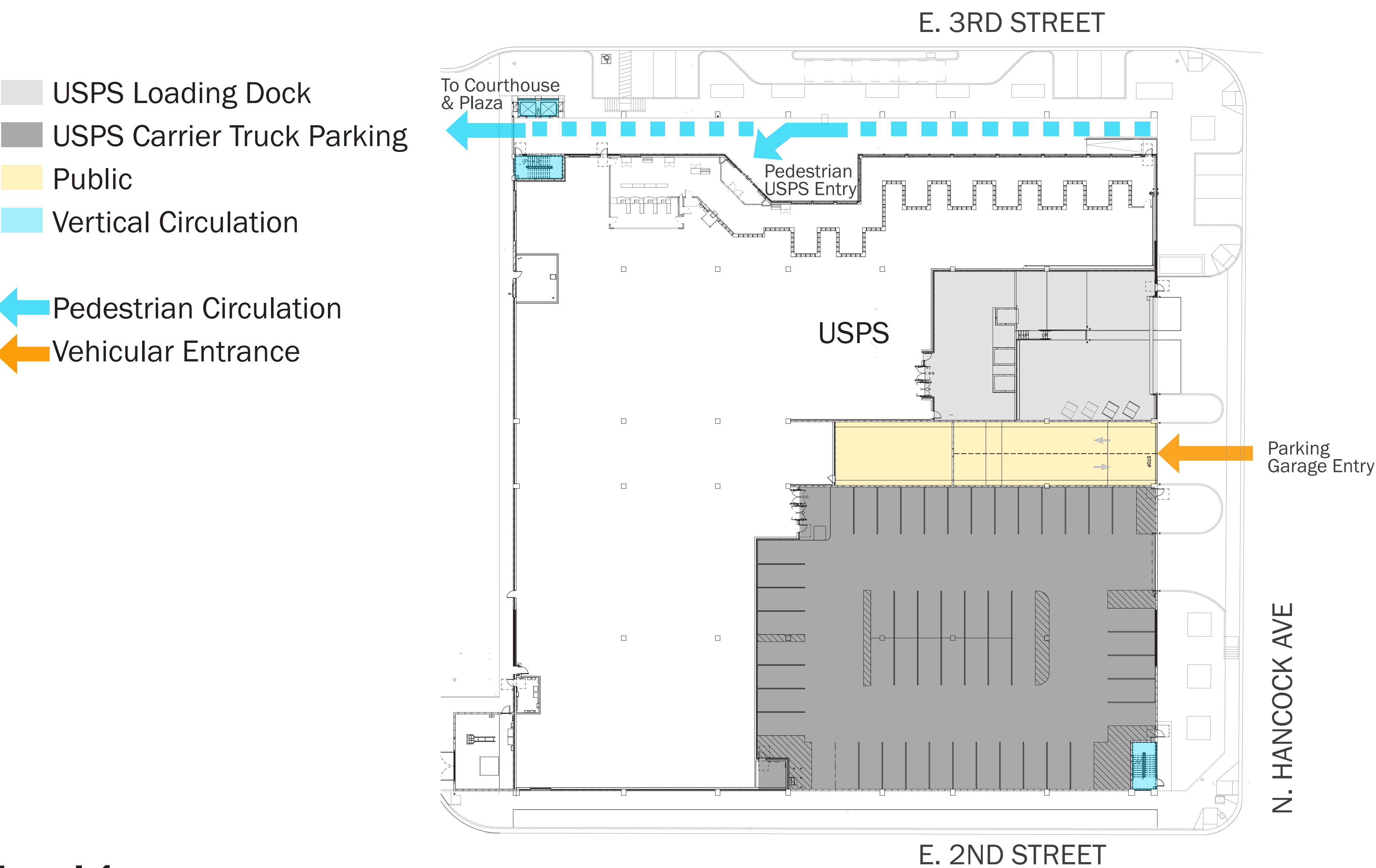
Parking Garage | West Elevator Entrance

## Size:

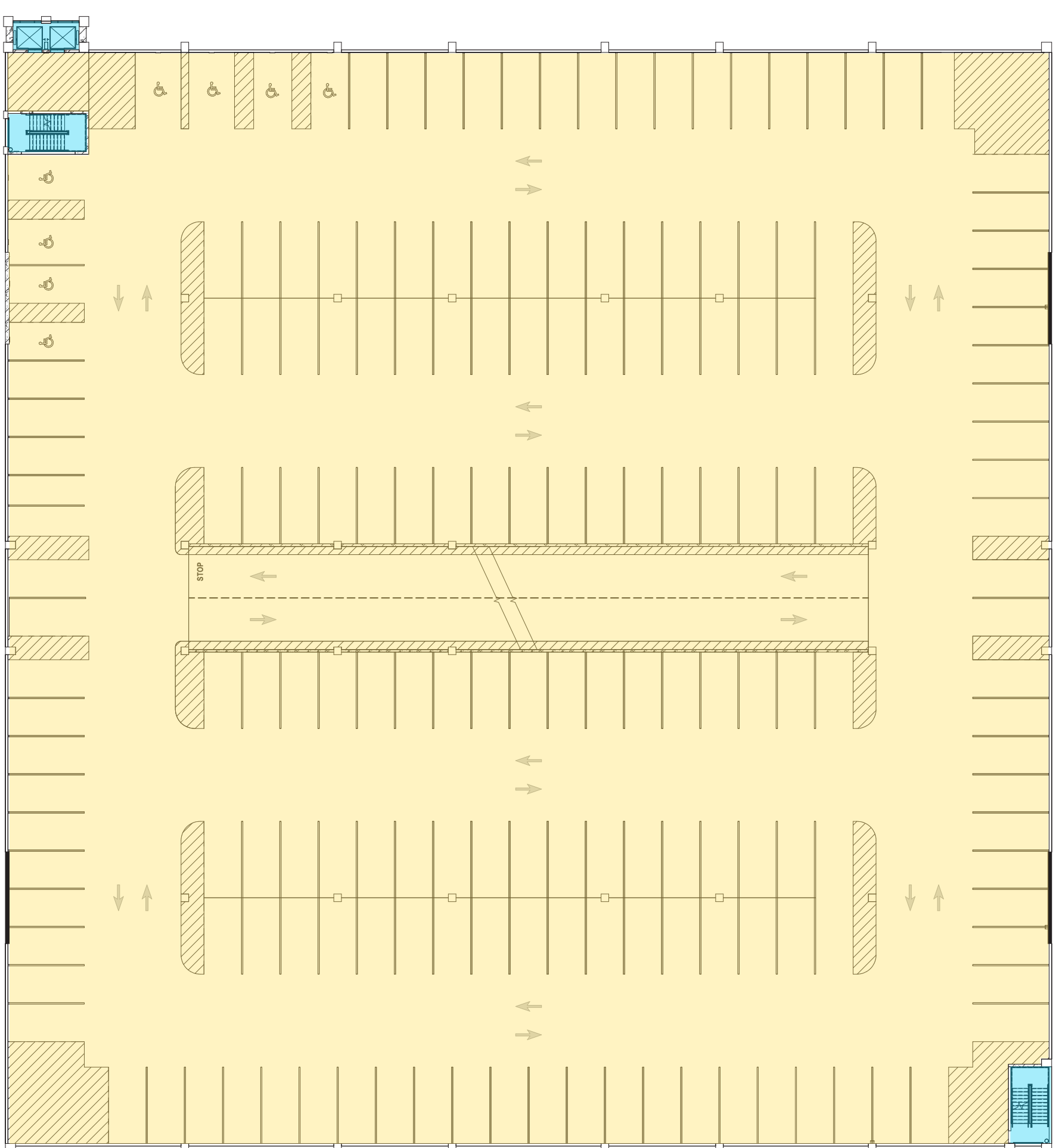
- Five levels
- Parking Count: 743 spaces
- Secure mail carrier parking: 53 spaces
- Area: 394,500 GSF
- Area each floor: 78,900 SF
- USPS area: 41,500 SF

## Features:

- Convenient access to Courthouse, U.S. Post Office, Library, and Civic Park
- Five Levels: U.S. Post Office on the 1st Level, plus four levels of parking
- Public Access to the U.S. Post Office on 3rd Street
- Vehicular Access for Parking Garage on Hancock Street
- ADA Accessible: ADA Parking on Levels 2 and 3, near the elevators



Level 1  
Parking Garage | Floor Plans



Typical Parking Level

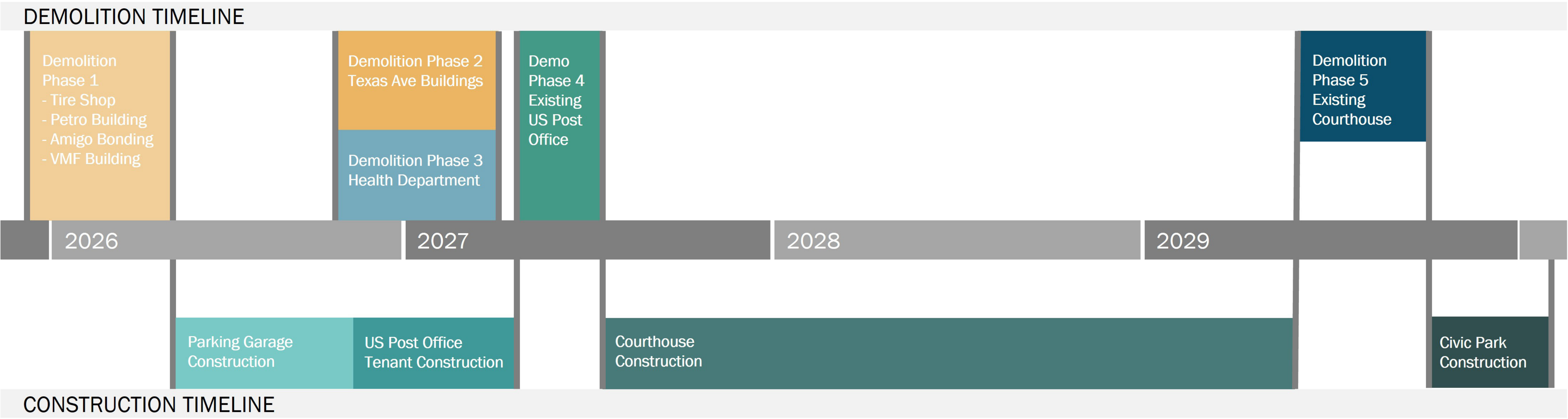


# ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE



# High-Level Phasing Plan + CoO

## Overview Design Schedule



DEMOLITION PHASES

Ector County Certificate of Obligation

\$325,000,000

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Juvenile Detention Center ..... | \$ 45,000,000 |
| Project Land Acquisition .....  | \$ 6,829,411  |

|                         |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Project:</b>         |               |
| Design-Build Costs..... | \$218,031,140 |
| Soft Cost .....         | \$ 22,097,928 |

|                                        |               |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Contingencies:</b>                  |               |
| Owner Design Contingency.....          | \$ 1,241,715  |
| Estimating Contingency/Escalation..... | \$ 22,375,604 |
| Owner Soft Cost Contingency.....       | \$ 9,424,201  |

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| <b>Project Total:</b> | \$273,170,589 |
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# ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE



# Design and Construction Team



## ECTOR COUNTY COURTHOUSE