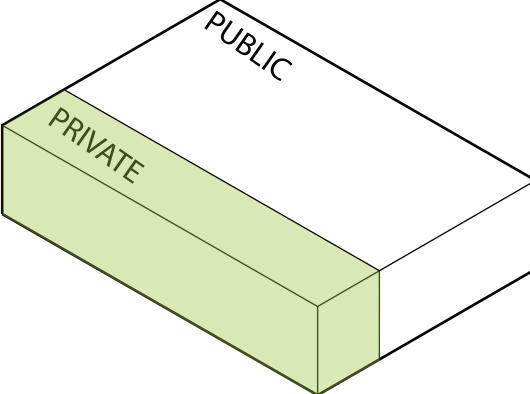


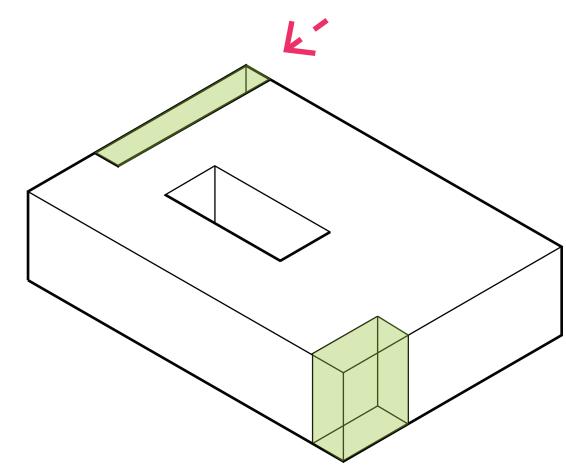
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A series of bars alternating solid and porous, creates visual connection to each end of the site as well as closed off spaces for core, privacy, higher degree of enclosure.



1: Divide

The site is divided into a bar for private support program and a larger side for public spaces. This creates a clear separation for staff and support spaces to be out of the way while public spaces are at the forefront.



the entries. These recessed spaces provide areas

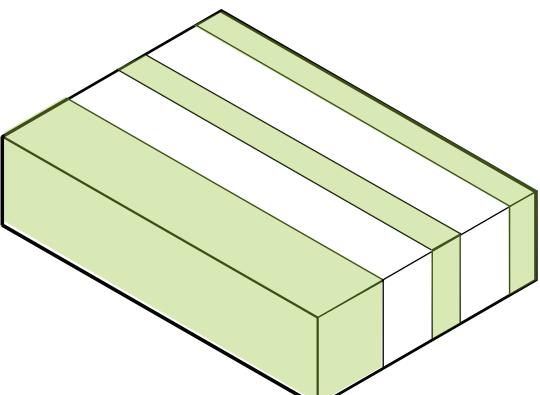
of rest from the primary circulation on main

street and connection to the back alley.

4: Recess

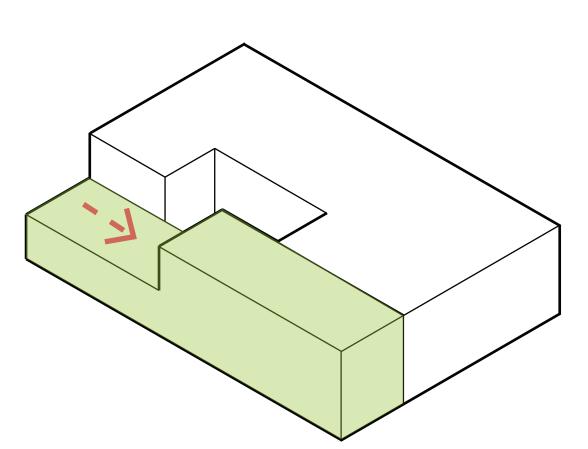
Entry plazas and walkways indicate entry locations by recessing the corners leading up to

The Alma Branch Library provides a modern retreat for the small town community to read in a cozy nook, discover with technology, and gather with friends and family. Visual connections are created with the surrounding context such as the park and main street and intends to fit seamlessly into the urban landscape. The library responds to the position of the sun conditions by having a sun shading strategy and recessed storefront window system on the West facade and utilizing northern light to various areas within the library.



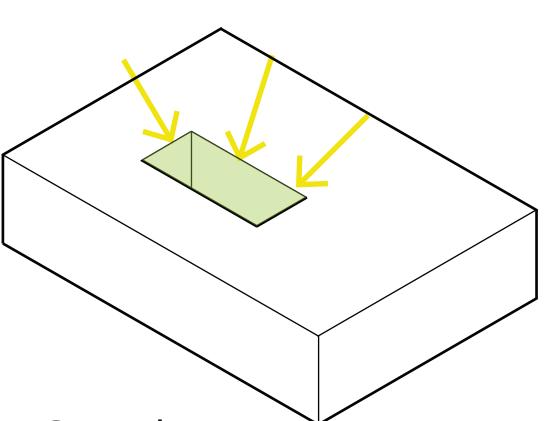
2: Solids

Three bars of an architectural language using solid walls and higher degrees of enclosure were organized to create spatial division and axes through the site that circulation would rely on.



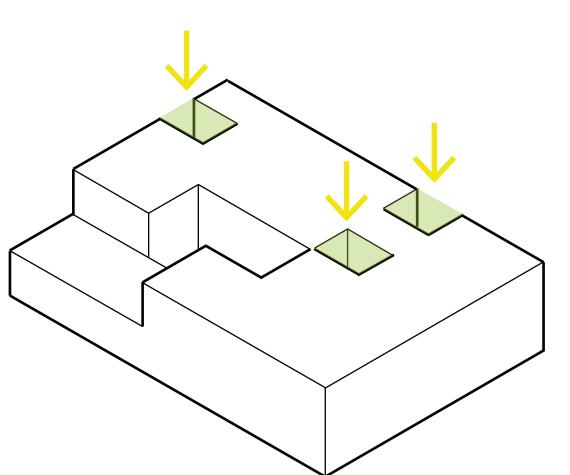
5: Push back

The second floor of the solid bar is pushed back to allow natural light to the courtyard and open up the roof to the staff spaces for smaller skylights.



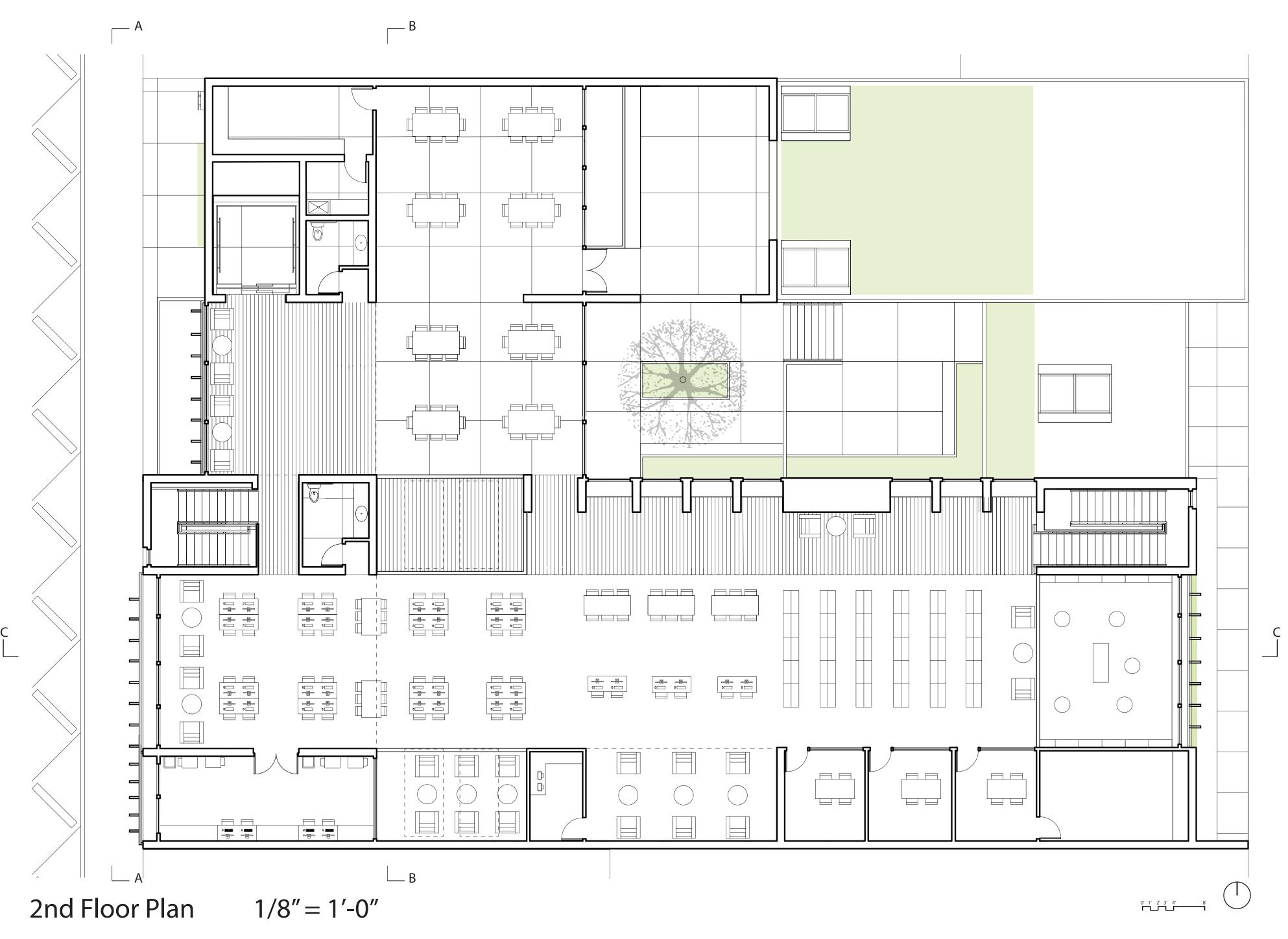
3: Carved

A courtyard space is carved out from the center of one of the axes allowing natural light to flood in from inside.



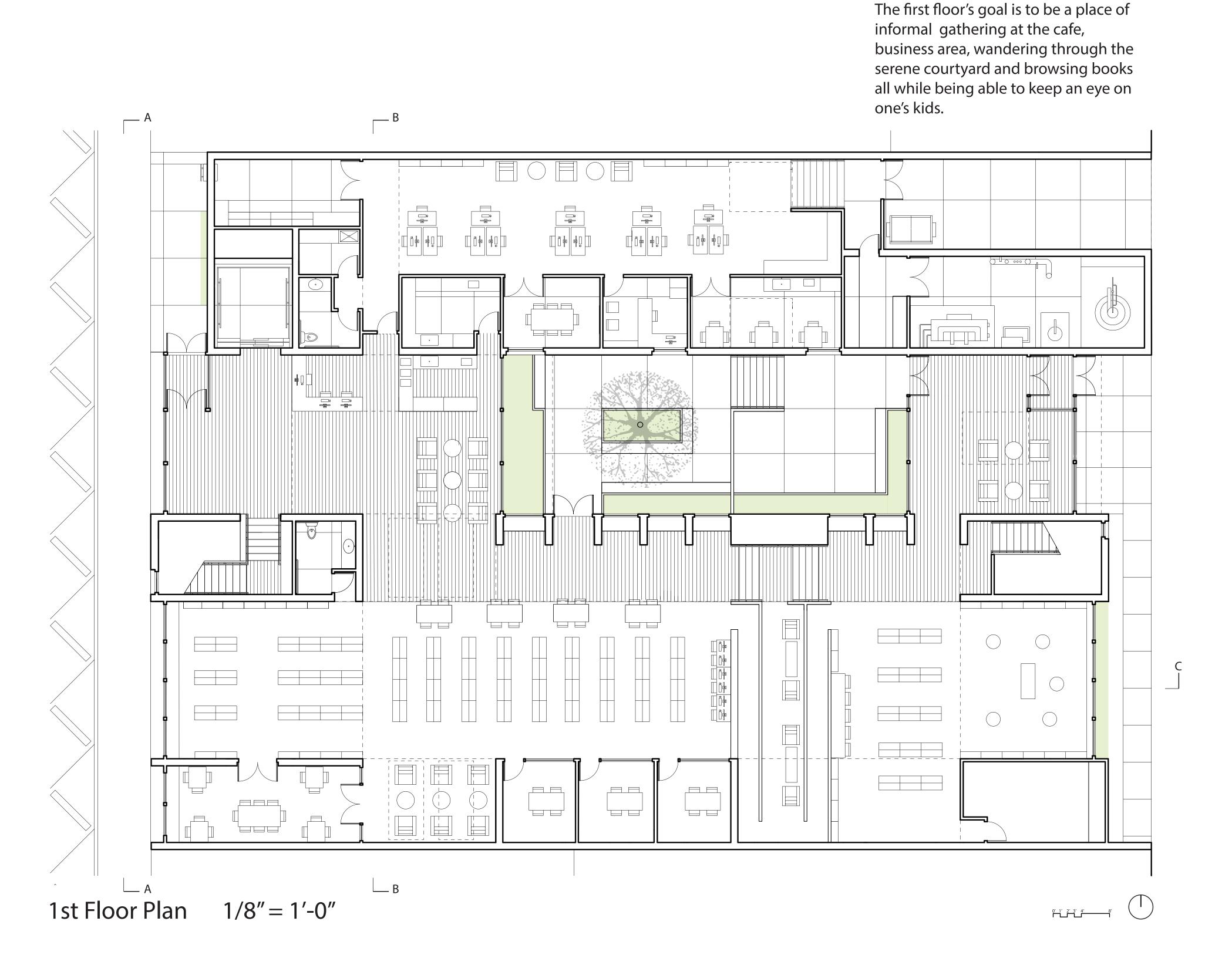
6: Puncture

In alignment with the axes within the site, a series of double height spaces were punctured into the site to create connections to the floor below, provide natural light, and give a variety of spaces that release from the compressed/lower ceiling heights.



The floor plans reveal the relationship between the three solid bars and the porous spaces that reside in between them. Floor pattern reflects certain uses of each space such as wood indicating circulation, tile for exterior and supporting spaces, and carpet for main public spaces

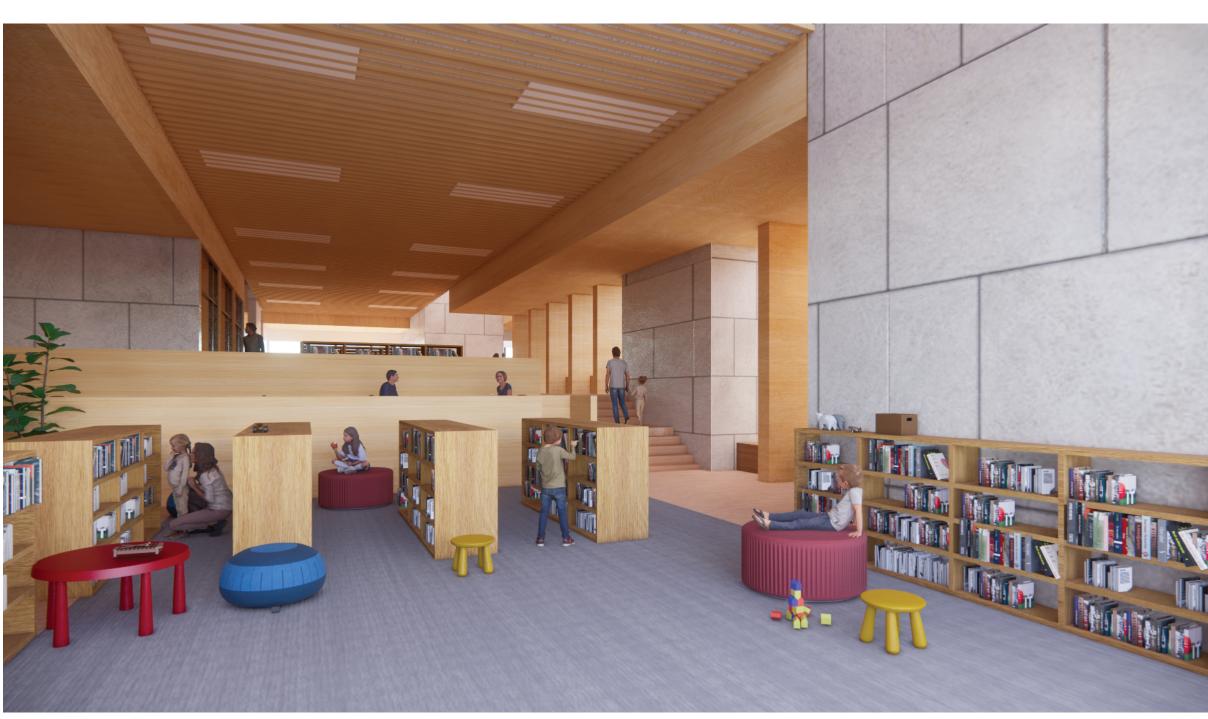
The second floor is intended to provide a space for discovery, technology, fun activities/gaming, and a hideaway for teens with areas to overlook onto spaces below.





West Entry/Cafe

The view to the entry space shows the relationship of the front desk, cafe, and courtyard as well as the ceiling heights that encourage areas of circulating along with the double height space.



Children's Collections and Story Time

This view highlights the architectural language strategy of the solids on the sides of a porous space in between with the ceiling heights and punctured openings to the solids.

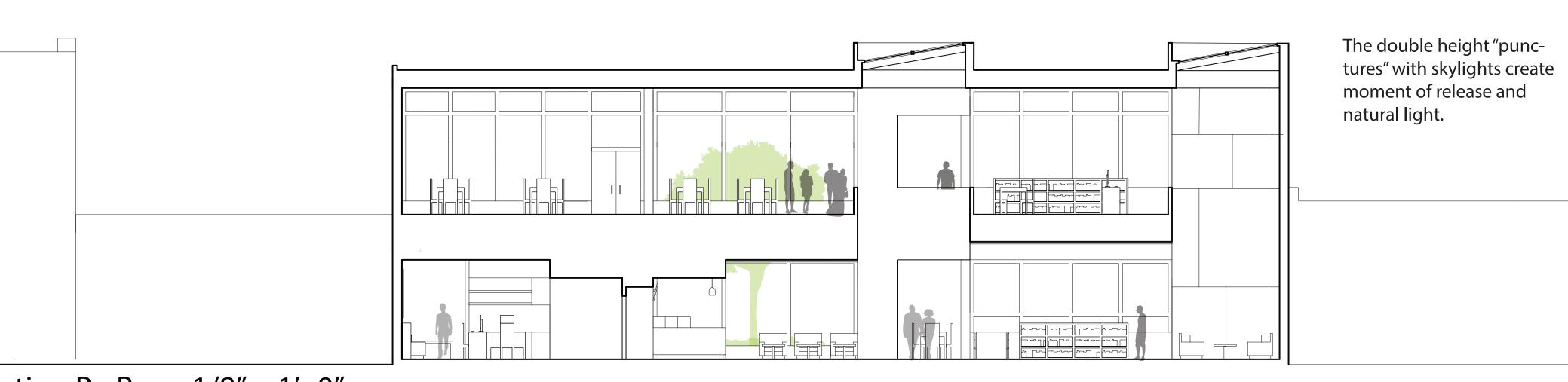


2nd Floor Maker Space and Teen Collections

Nooks along the circulation bar open up to the courtyard and integrate moments of rest. The distinction spatial uses are shown by floor patterns and ceiling heights.



Elevation A - A 1/8" = 1'- 0"



Section B - B 1/8" = 1'- 0"

