

**West Valley Campus Master Plan**  
**An Affordable, Realistic and Practical Approach to Planning**  
**a **Highly Sustainable Campus****



**COD WEST VALLEY CAMPUS**

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WEST VALLEY CAMPUS



● Palm Springs

N Palm Canyon Dr

N Indian Canyon Dr

N Avenida Caballeros

N Sunrise Way

N Farrell Dr

LA 215 Rd

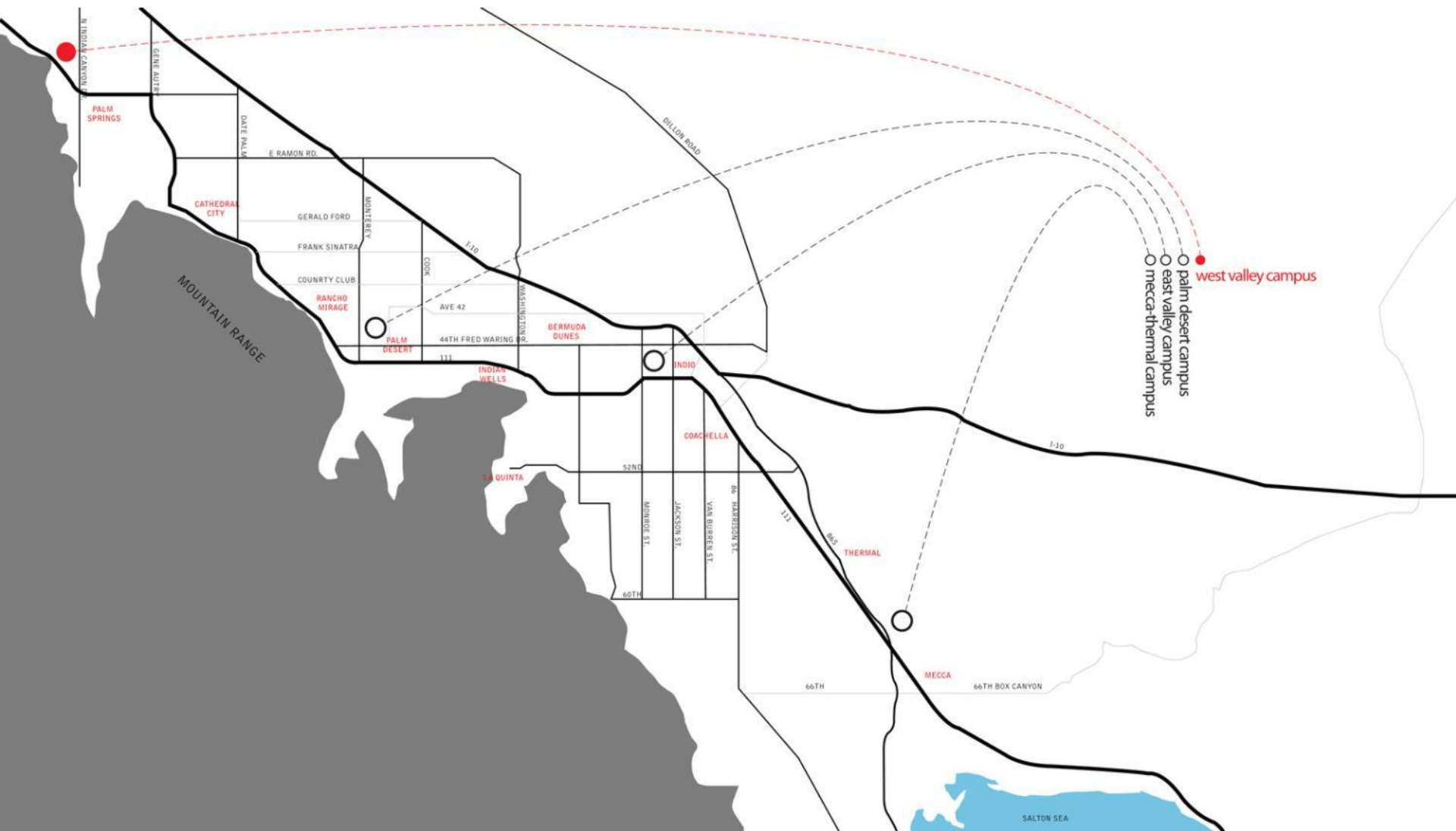
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# Site acquisition



**PARTNERING**

**EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS**

**CITY OF PALM SPRINGS**

**NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS**

**PUBLIC PRIVATE VENTURES**

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON**

**DESERT WATER AGENCY**

# Collaboration with City

## City of Palm Springs Objectives

- **Center for sustainable technology, economic and business development**
- **Workforce training for new jobs**
- **Alternate transportation hub**
- **New gateway to city**

## Partnership Inducements

- **Donation of 119 acres**
- **\$5-9 million in redevelopment and other funds**
- **Tax increment allocation, ongoing**

## Partnership Agreement

- **Definition of the futuristic campus**



# GreenPark Solar Facility

**Southern California Edison**

**60 acre photovoltaic field**

**Up to 10 MW of power**

**Revenue generator—land lease**

**Training facility**







**Hospitality and Culinary Arts**



**Green Energy and Technology**

**Basic Skills Education**



**Allied Health**



**Media and Arts**

**FOUR Pillars**

**TEAM**

**APPROACH**

**Integrated Design Team**



**College of the Desert**

**Design Team**  
**Bond Manager**  
**CM**

**Agencies**  
**City**  
**SCE**  
**Partners**  
**DSA**







# Guiding Principles

**1. Responsible and thoughtful utilization of land under its control.**

**2. Design and construction of buildings to the highest feasible level of sustainability recognition.**

**3. Design and retrofitting of buildings to the highest feasible level of sustainability recognition.**

**4. Operating practices throughout campus that demonstrate the commitment to sustainability management.**

**5. Development and operation of alternative energy generation units to promote self-sustainability and practical teaching and learning.**

**6. Fund and grant raising to promote green initiatives.**

**7. Partnership with energy production and other agencies, public and private, to promote green initiatives.**

**8. Encouragement of 'greening' of the curriculum.**

**Performance**

**Targets**

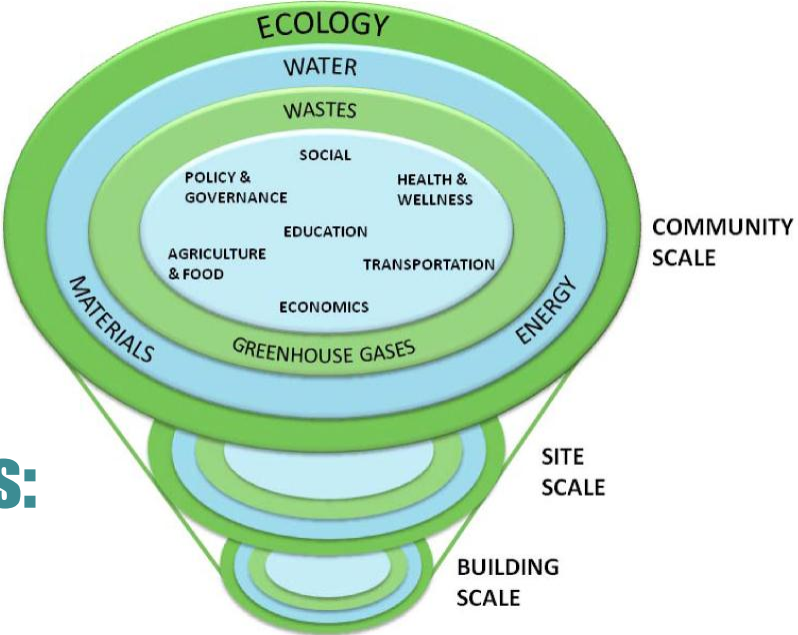
**SELF-SUSTAINABILITY**  
**A HOLISTIC APPROACH**

- Educational**
- Social**
- Environmental**
- Economical**
- Physical**



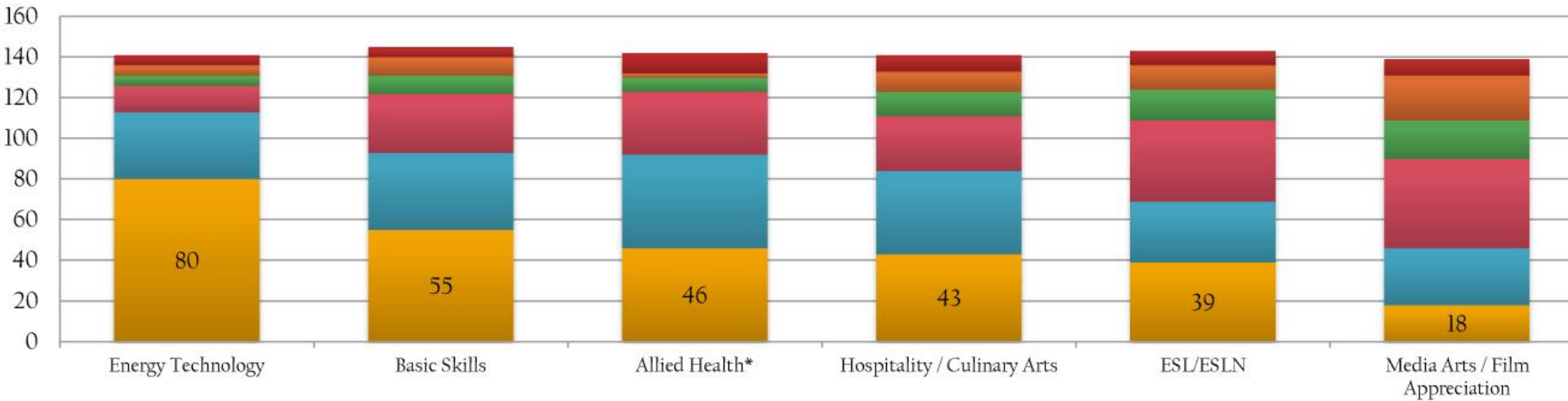
# Integrated Sustainability Guidelines

- 1. Zero Waste
- 2. Sustainable Hydrology
- 3. Net-Zero Energy Utilization
- 4. Carbon Neutral
- 5. Ecological Regeneration

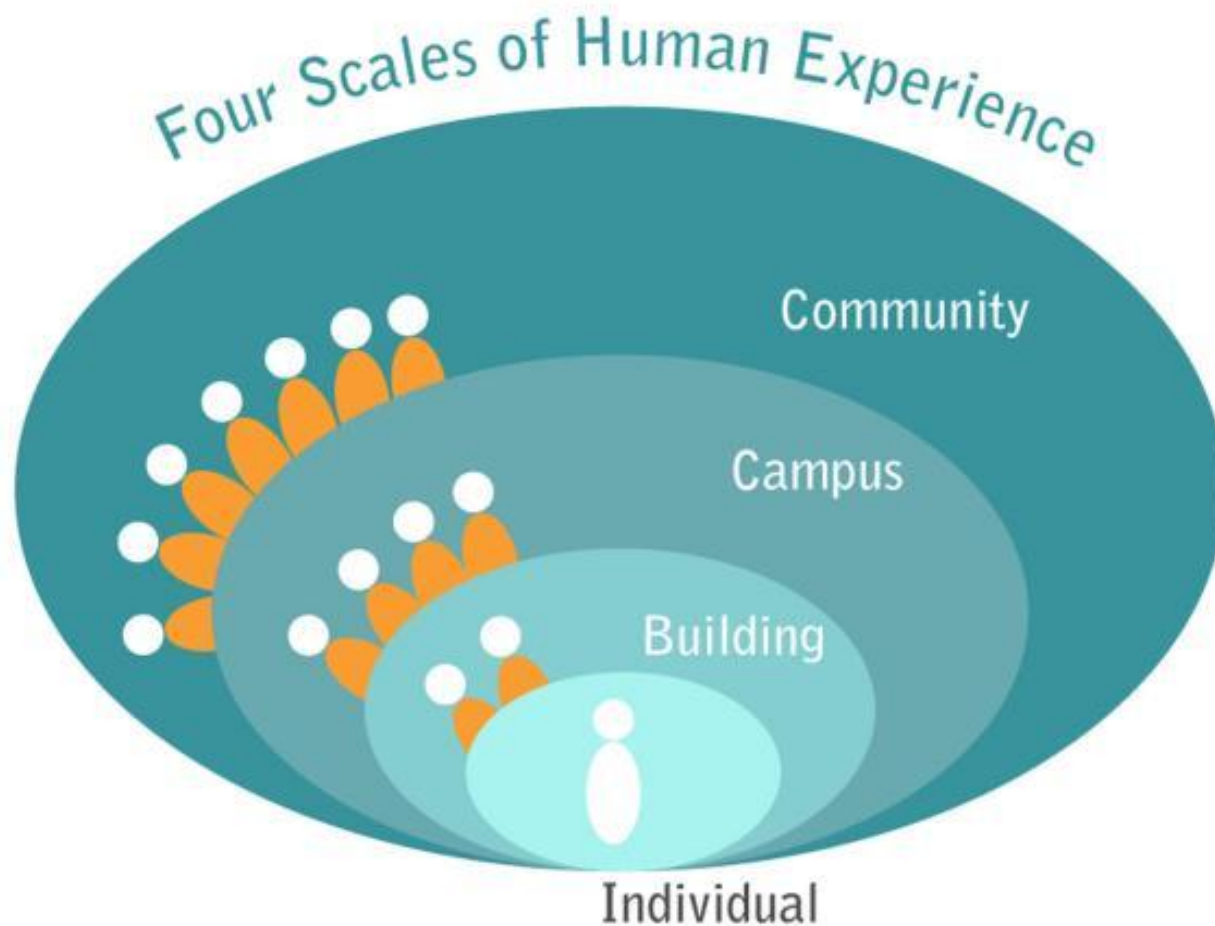


**Scales:**

# Strategic Educational Master Plan



# Four Scales





# **GOALS & VISION**

# Self-Sustaining Campus

- **Feed the Academic & Professional Needs of the Region**
- **Act as Catalyst for Region**
- **Community Connection**
- **Gateway, Landmark & Identity**
- **Design Excellence**

# LEARNING

## Interdisciplinary Approach




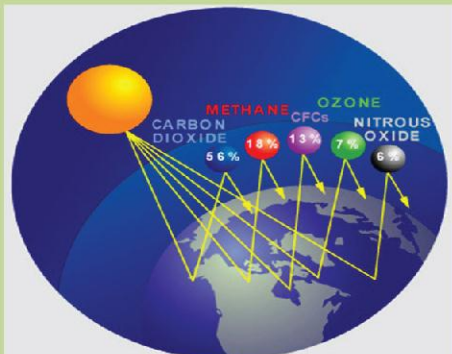


# EXPERIENCE

- **Interactive student learning with Instructor as coach**
- **Improved problem solving**
- **Increased conceptual understanding**
- **Improved attitudes**
- **Increased success rate - failure rates drastically reduced**



# Building Performance: Five-Zero Plan

Building Performance: Five Zero Plan		SCALE				
		Community	Campus	Building	Individual	
<b>5 Energy</b>						
  	<b>Intent</b>	Reduce fossil energy dependency; increase energy autonomy	Produce more electricity that is consumed.	Be energy efficient	Educate users about energy production and conservation and how individual choices affect building performance and ecology	
	<b>Action</b>	Understand micro climate, sun wind	Master Plan that provides design guidelines to address micro climate, sun and wind	Start at "Zero Energy" and establish aggressive energy performance targets and plan for making more electricity that what is consumed on campus	Change consumption behavior	
	<b>Action</b>	City and state carbon neutral goals. California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, 25% reduction by 2020, 80% reduction by 2050	Develop renewable energy plan that has diversity and includes: solar, wind, fuel cell, waste-to-energy, etc.	Use roof surfaces for solar panels which provides shading to help reduce cooling load and provides a surface for electricity production.		
	<b>Action</b>		Produce more than consumed. Share outside boundaries. Produce, reduce, offset. Use "free energy" first. Sun, wind, land. Renewable energy	Passive and active system. Envelope optimization: glazing, thermal mass, night flushing, mixed mode, natural ventilation, daylighting controls, solar hot water, solar absorption cooling	Expand comfort range to reduce energy consumption.	
	<b>Action</b>		Establish EUI targets for campus master plan that align with Architecture 2030 (GHG goals) EUI 40 to 50	Establish Building EUI targets consistent with campus master plan. EUI 40 to 50		
	<b>Action</b>		Study balance between most efficient cooling systems and water use.	Solar thermal, wind, absorption cooling, combined heat and power, geo exchange, efficient systems		
	<b>Action</b>		Economically self sustainable. Revenue positive regardless of ROI period			
	<b>Action</b>		energy Infrastructure adaptable to future changes	Orientation and massing		
<b>6 Green House Gas (GHG)</b>						
	<b>Intent</b>	Reduce community GHGs	Generate net zero GHGs	Target low GHG emissions	Use mass transit and adjust life style to be more pedestrian and bike oriented.	
	<b>Action</b>	Use renewable resources	Provide 100% renewable energy for campus.	Building designed to reduce energy consumption with EUI targets.	Change consumption behavior	
	<b>Action</b>	California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, City of Palm Springs Carbon Neutral Goal	Create climate action plan for the campus that aligns with Coachella Valley plan and partner with community for GHG reductions.	Respond to climate action plan	Respond to climate action plan	
	<b>Action</b>	GHG reduction of 25% (1990 levels) by 2020, 80% reduction by 2050	ISO 14064 Part 1 Spec... for qualification and reporting GHG include Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3	ISO 14064 Part 1 Spec... for qualification and reporting GHG include Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3		
	<b>Action</b>	Source materials from suppliers with climate action plans	Aligns with waste and energy	Aligns with waste and energy		
	<b>Action</b>	Alternative transportation	Report CO2 per GWh of electricity	Report CO2e per GWh of electricity		
	<b>Action</b>	Climate action plan	Better utilize Amtrak commuter station			
	<b>Action</b>	Local sourcing of products	Master plan to include local materials	Buildings design to use local materials	Buy local	
<b>Action</b>	Convert food waste to biogas and develop	Host biogas plant on campus	Design to buildings accept biogas,			

# Comprehensive Sustainability SETLOG

# THE SITE CHALLENGES





**WATER**

**WIND**

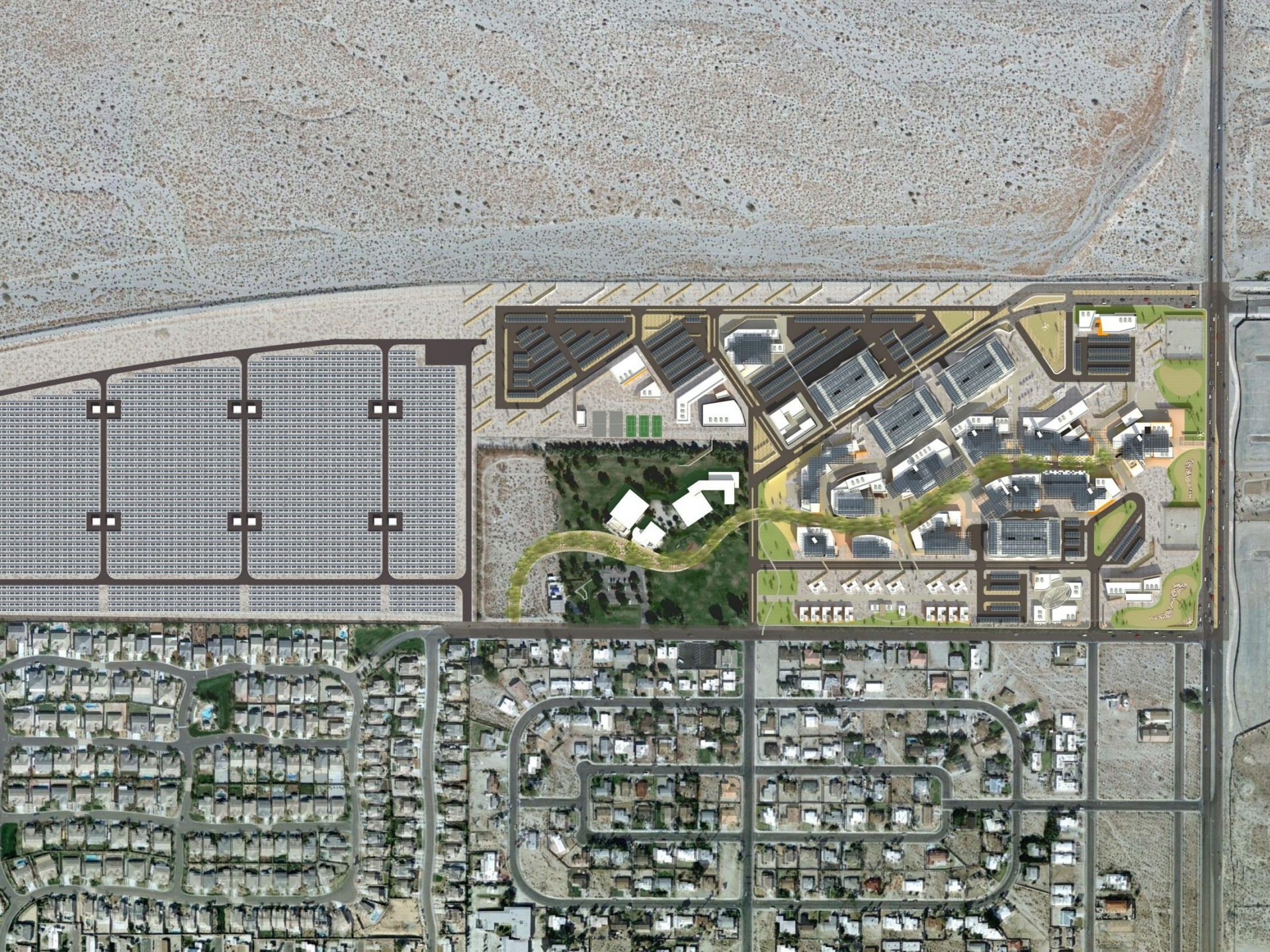
**The ELEMENTS**



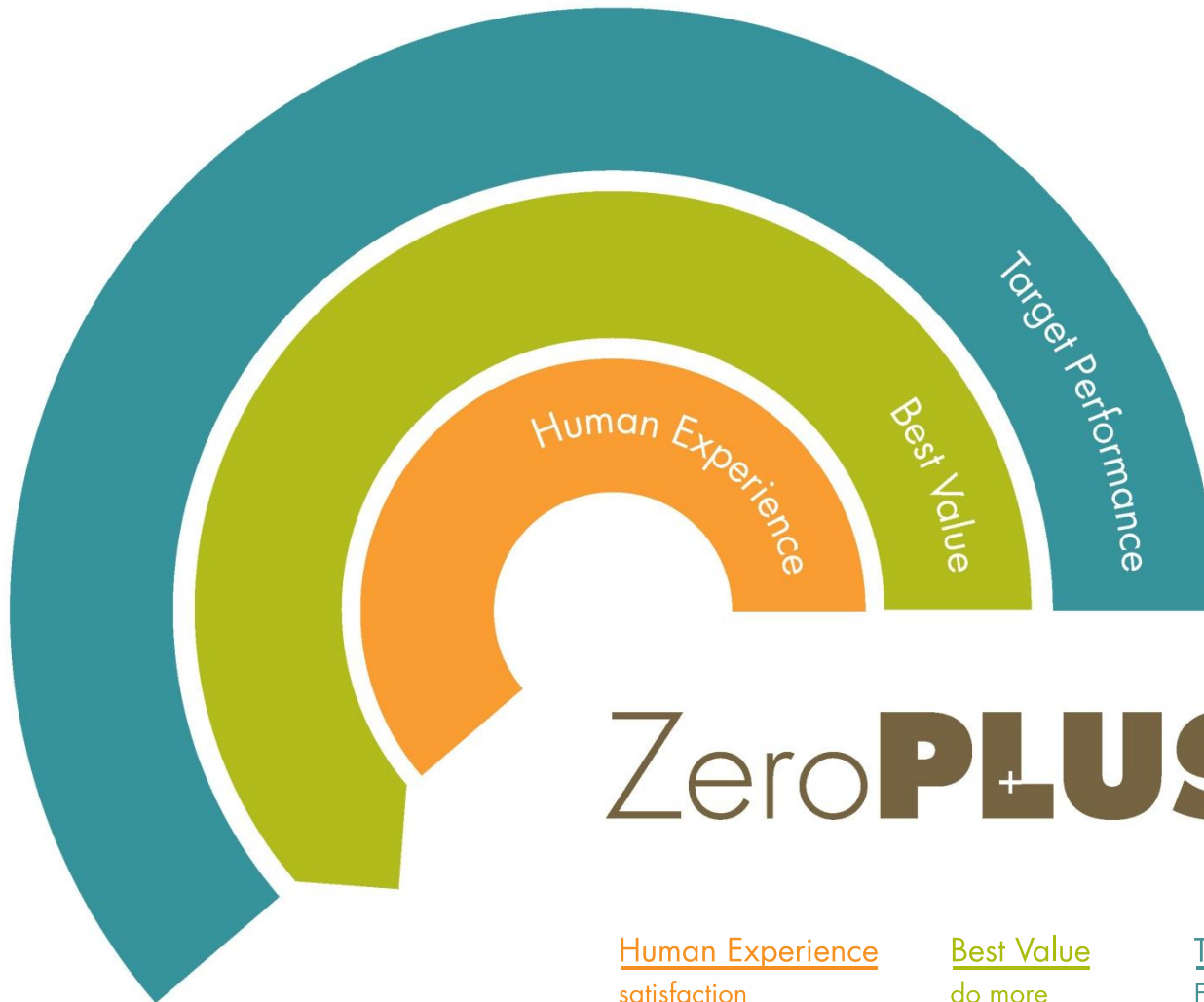
**SUN | HEAT**











# Zero**PLUS**<sup>SM</sup>

## Human Experience

satisfaction  
well-being  
performance

## Best Value

do more  
use less  
build less  
life-cycle value

## Target Performance

Five-Zero<sup>SM</sup> Plan  
- energy  
- carbon  
- water  
- waste  
- materials

# SUSTAINABLE METRICS AND REPORTING SYSTEMS

Zero-Plus Approach embodies these metrics and goes beyond.

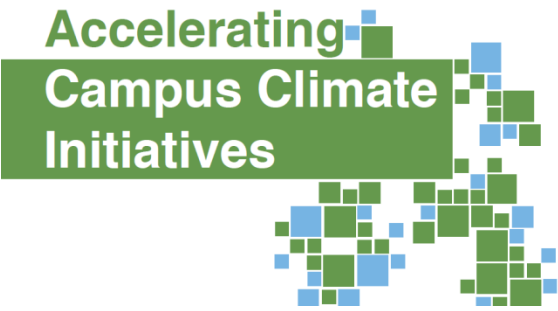


Registered Master Plan



## The Living Building Challenge

- PETALS
- SITE .....
  - Limits to Growth
  - Urban Agriculture
  - Habitat Exchange
  - Car Free Living
- WATER.....
  - Net Zero Water
  - Ecological Water Flow
- ENERGY.....
  - Net Zero Energy
- HEALTH.....
  - Civilized Environment
  - Healthy Air
  - Biophilia
- MATERIALS.....
  - Red List
  - Embodied Carbon Footprint
  - Responsible Industry
  - Appropriate Sourcing
  - Conservation + Reuse
- EQUITY.....
  - Human Scale + Humane Places
  - Democracy + Social Justice
  - Rights to Nature
- BEAUTY.....
  - Beauty + Spirit
  - Inspiration + Education

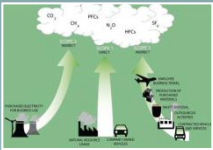


# Zero-Plus<sup>SM</sup> Approach

## Five-Zero<sup>SM</sup> Plan:



**Zero-Plus Energy:**  
Makes more energy than it consumes.



**Zero-Plus Carbon:**  
Cleans the air.



**Zero-Plus Water:**  
Renews water resources.



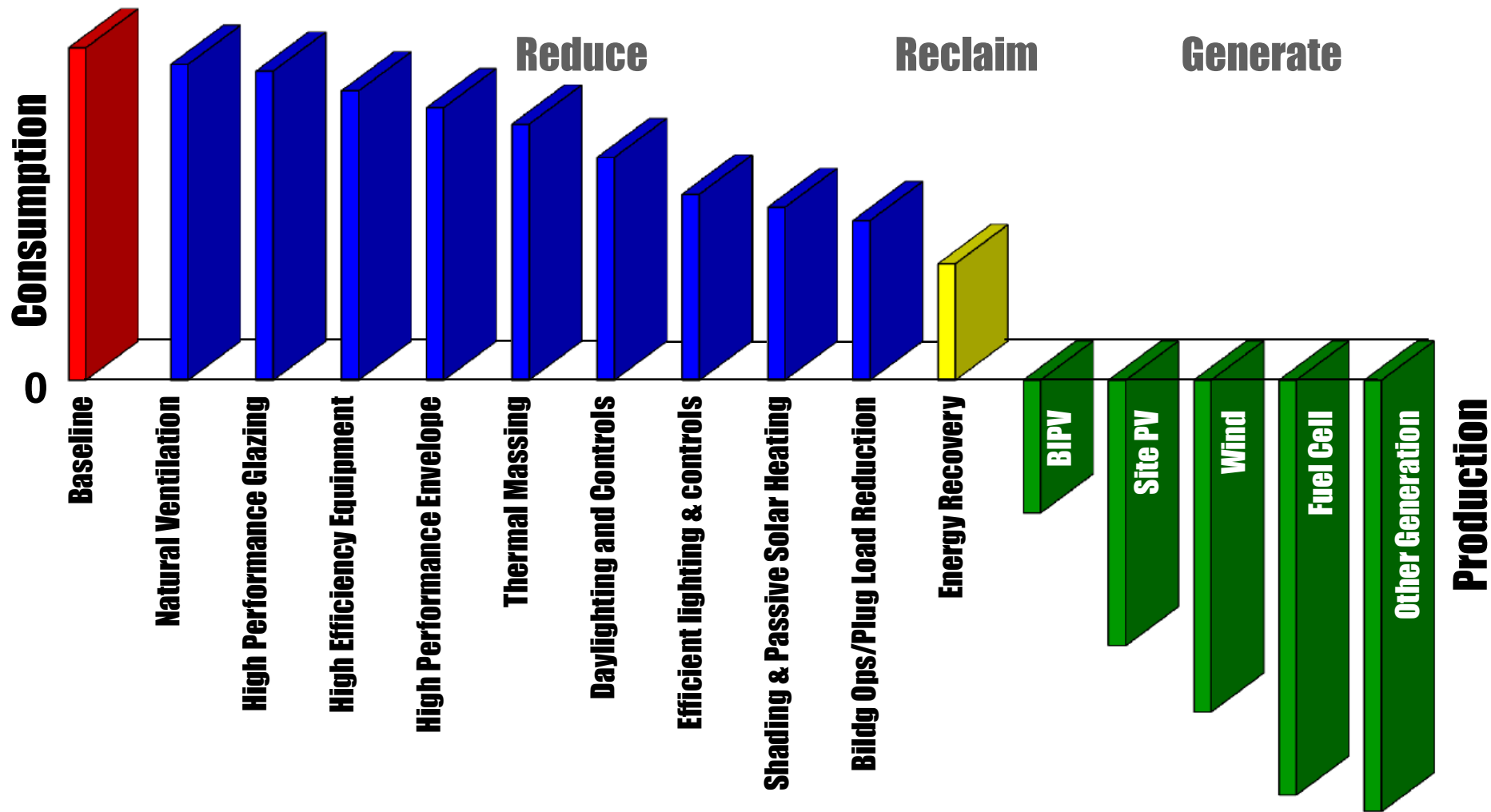
**Zero-Plus Waste:**  
Produces resources not waste.



**Zero-Plus Material:**  
Mimics nature, eliminates toxins.



# Zero-Plus<sup>SM</sup> Energy Plan



**Passive** (light green background) | **Active** (yellow background)

**Efficiency** | **Toward Zero** (arrow pointing right)

**Energy Targets** | **Zero-Plus** (arrow pointing left)



**Community Scale Wind**



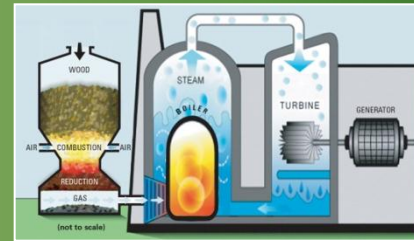
**Solar Opaque**



**Micro Turbine**



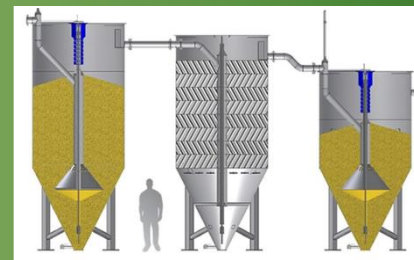
**Fuel Cell**



**Biomass Gasification**



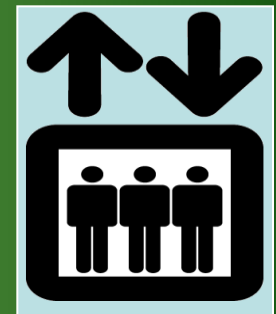
**Bio-Gas Digester**



**Waste to Energy**



**Solar-See-Thru Micro-Scale**



**Motion & Integrated Systems**



**Wind Innovations**

**Today**

**Emerging**

**Future**

ID	Description
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Recommended Phase 1	Recommended Full Campus	Ranking (Weighted)	Ranking (Unweighted)
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5 Zeros				
Energy	Water	Carbon	Waste	Materials

Evaluation Criteria											
First Cost	Utility Cost	Staff Costs	Replacement Costs	Total Life Cycle	Teaching Integration	System Synergies	Innovative/Leadership	Life Expectancy	Minimize Service	Flexibility/Churn	Response Time

Other Criteria					
Aligns with Master Plan	Space Needed	Regulatory Issues	Site & Climate	Comfort	Acoustics

Weighting (1 is lowest, 10 is highest)

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**RE Renewable Energy**

RE 1.1	Photovoltaic Covered Parking	
RE 1.2	Building Integrated Photovoltaics	
RE 1.3	Solar Tracking Photovoltaics	
RE 2.1	Utility-Scale Wind Turbines	
EG 4	Fuel Cells	

Recommended	Recommended	100	12
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Needs Investigation	Needs Investigation	50	6
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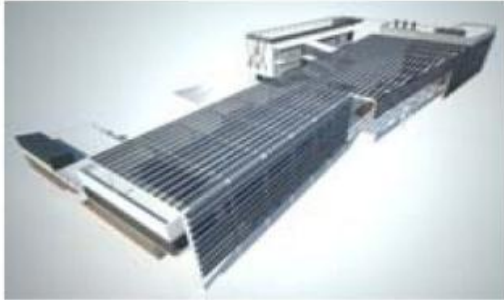
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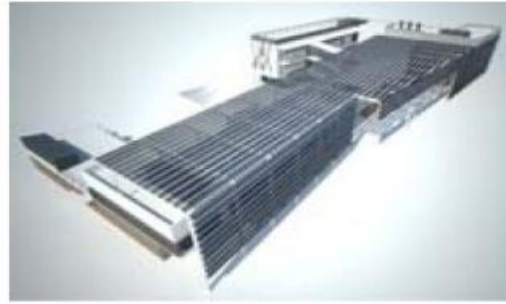
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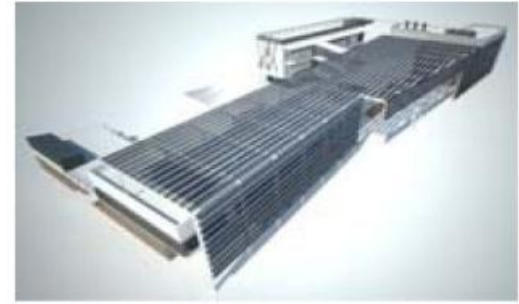
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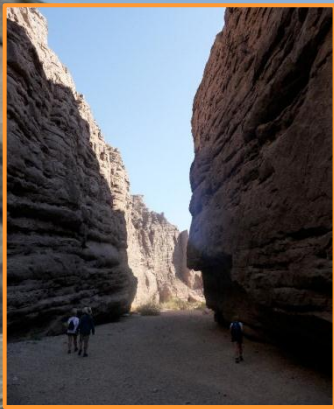








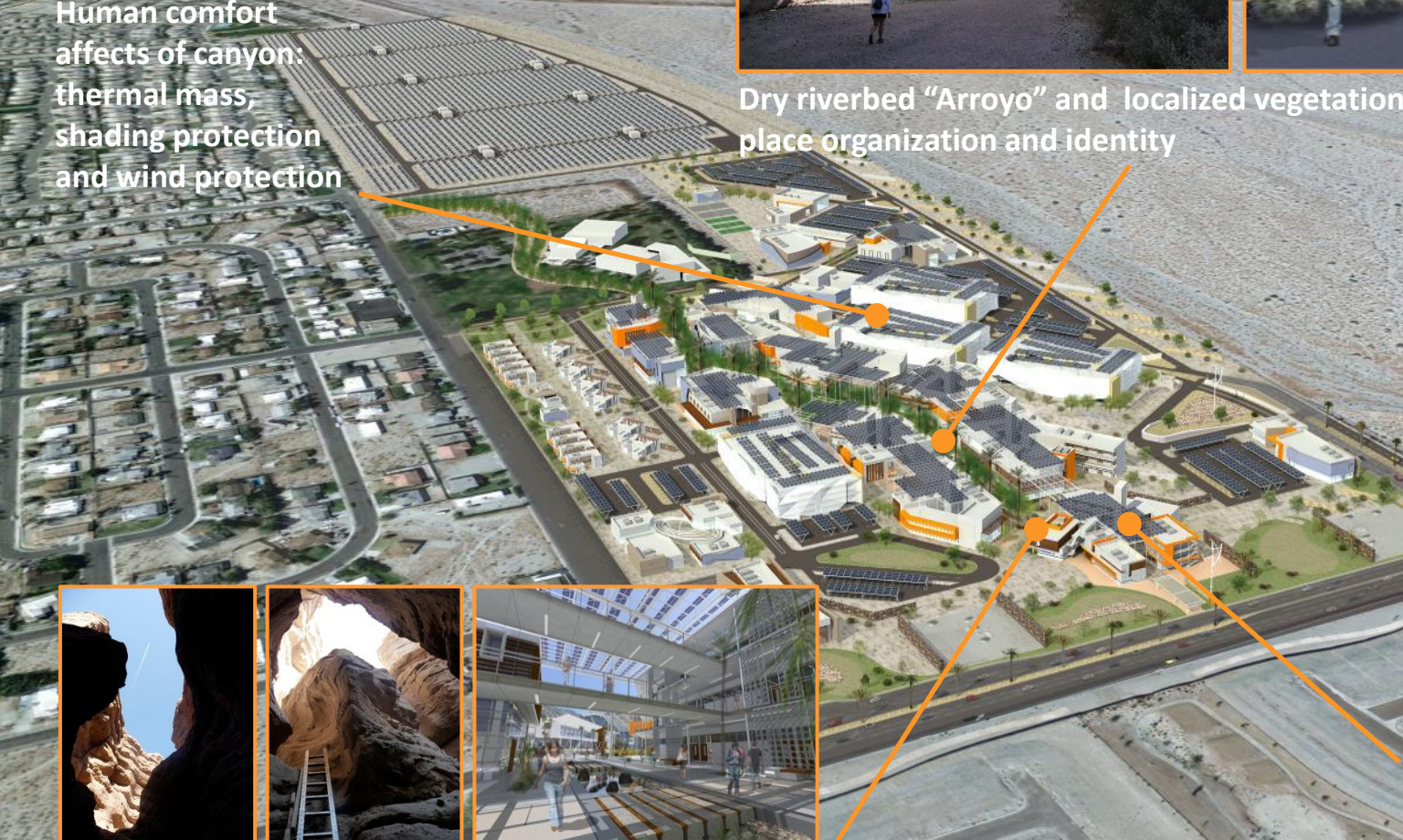




Human comfort affects of canyon: thermal mass, shading protection and wind protection



Dry riverbed "Arroyo" and localized vegetation that creates place organization and identity



Open spaces connected by winding and sometimes narrow paths



Organic forms & spaces defined by unique character



**FULL BUILD-OUT**

**650,000SF**



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DESERT HIGHLAND UNITY CENTER**

**W TRAMVIEW RD**

**N GRAND AVE**

**ELDORADO BLVD**

**N INDIAN CANYON DR**

150'





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# PHASE 1 50,000SF

