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# designing for community in senior housing

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#### **ANANSE NTONTAN**

"spider's web"

symbol of wisdom, creativity and the complexities of life































### thank you

#### **SAHA Senior Housing**





#### Context

#### Average

- Income: \$11,000
- Stay: 12 years
- Life expectancy: 82



- ✓ Frail Elderly
- ✓ Disabilities
- ✓ Experience with Homelessness



#### **Housing Goals**







- √ Adjacencies
- ✓ Multipurpose



- ✓ Common kitchen
- ✓ Fitness/Wellness
- ✓ Fob access
- ✓ Indoor/outdoor









- ✓ Smaller activity spaces
- ✓ Internet access & computer literacy



#### **Food Recovery & Security**







- √ Grocery give aways
- ✓ Nutrition
- ✓ Cooking

#### Gardening









#### **Looking Ahead**





- ✓ Transportation
- √ Home health services
- ✓ Larger units (?)



#### Dr. George W. Davis Senior Center and Residence



#### **Entrance for Residents**



# Courtyard



# Lobby



#### Café and Activities



# Gift Shop



## Quiet room



# Catering Kitchen



## Residence meeting lounge



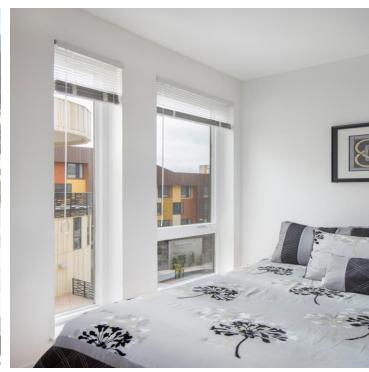


## Accessible kitchen and living room



## View from your room





#### Bathrooms near bedroom



### Design Principles

- Afro Centric design reflect the culture
- Outdoor space inside lighting and ceilings
- Wayfinding easy to get around
- Gathering spaces throughout
- Bright and Colorful lively
- Leed Platinum utilizing grounds and plants
- Accessible within ADA regulations
- Connecting with community space for public
- Low income people deserve good design too

#### Design Team

- David Baker and Associates
- McCormack Baron Salazar
- Michael Willis Architects
- Gelfand Partners
- Life Span Design
- Cathy Davis and the seniors from Bayview Senior Services

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