

Rooted in Renewal

A Regenerative Living Community

Concept Statement

This architectural concept envisions a sustainable community where homes, shared growing spaces, and composting facilities form a continuous cycle of living, production, and renewal. Community gardens and edible landscapes are woven between residential clusters, making food cultivation an accessible part of everyday life. Shared courtyards and pedestrian pathways connect residents to planting beds, gathering areas, and spaces for exchanging harvests and gardening knowledge.

Food scraps and garden waste are collected at conveniently located composting areas and transformed into a resource that replenishes the soil. This process reduces waste, improves soil fertility and moisture retention, and supports healthy crops through successive growing seasons. The spatial arrangement makes the relationship between consumption, decomposition, and growth visible, encouraging residents to care for their environment. Together, architecture and landscape create a productive community that nourishes its residents, strengthens social connections, and sustains the land over time.

Programs

Cooking classes — These classes teach healthy cooking practices for everyday life for those who either don’t know how to cook or cook less healthy food with the same amount of flavor.

Gardening classes — These classes will teach those who are new to gardening how to do so successfully

Farm-to-Table Café — Serve healthy meals using ingredients grown on-site or sourced locally.

Nutrition Education Center — Provide simple information about portion sizes, ingredients, meal planning, and healthier substitutions.

Community Dining Space — Encourage people to eat together and make healthy eating a community activity, not just an individual responsibility.

Program Buildings

Community Garden — Grow vegetables, fruits, herbs, and other fresh foods that community members can harvest.

Community Greenhouse — Allows food production throughout more of the year and can become a visible architectural feature.

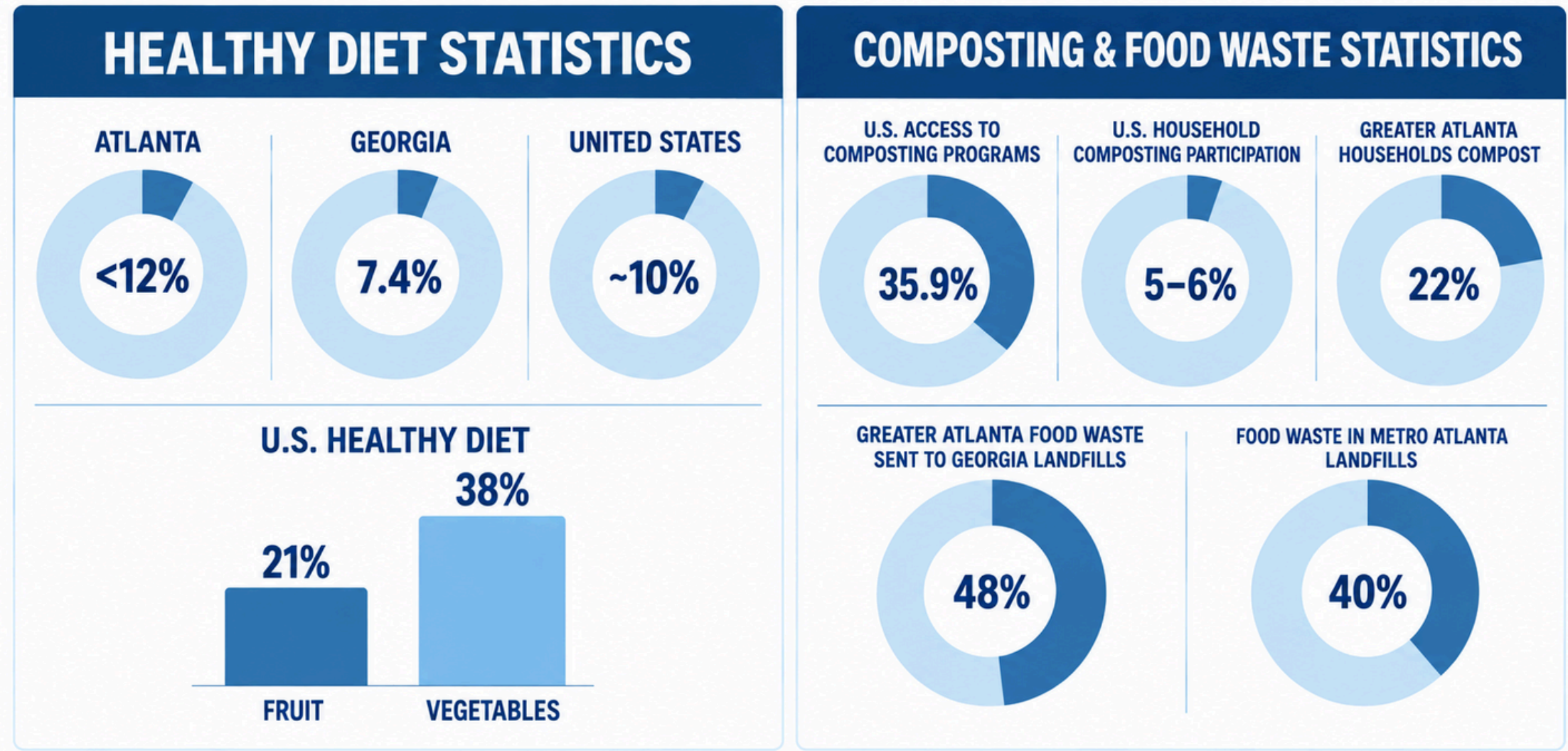
Healthy Food Market / Produce Stand — Sells garden-grown and locally sourced produce at affordable prices.

Kids' Garden — Give children their own growing area so healthy eating education starts early.

Other Implementations

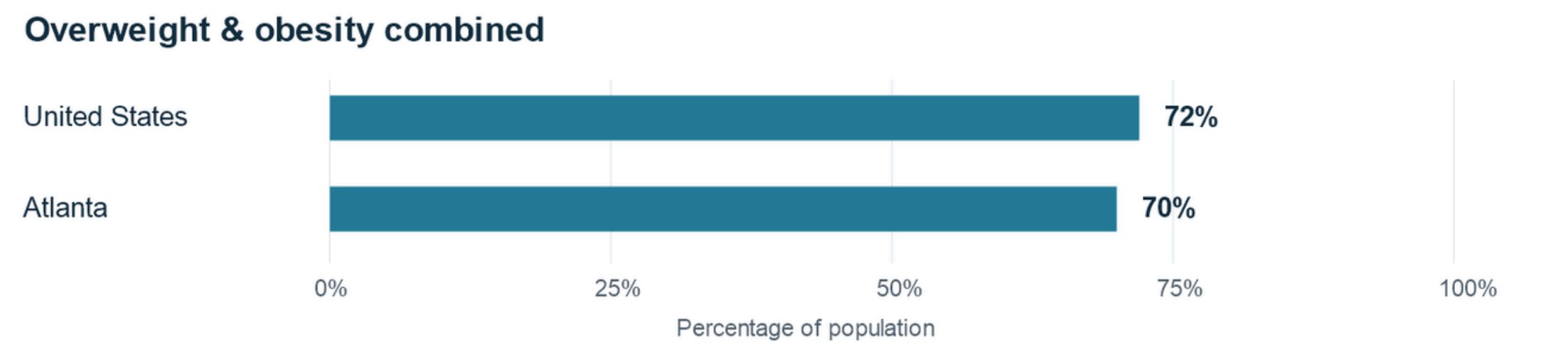
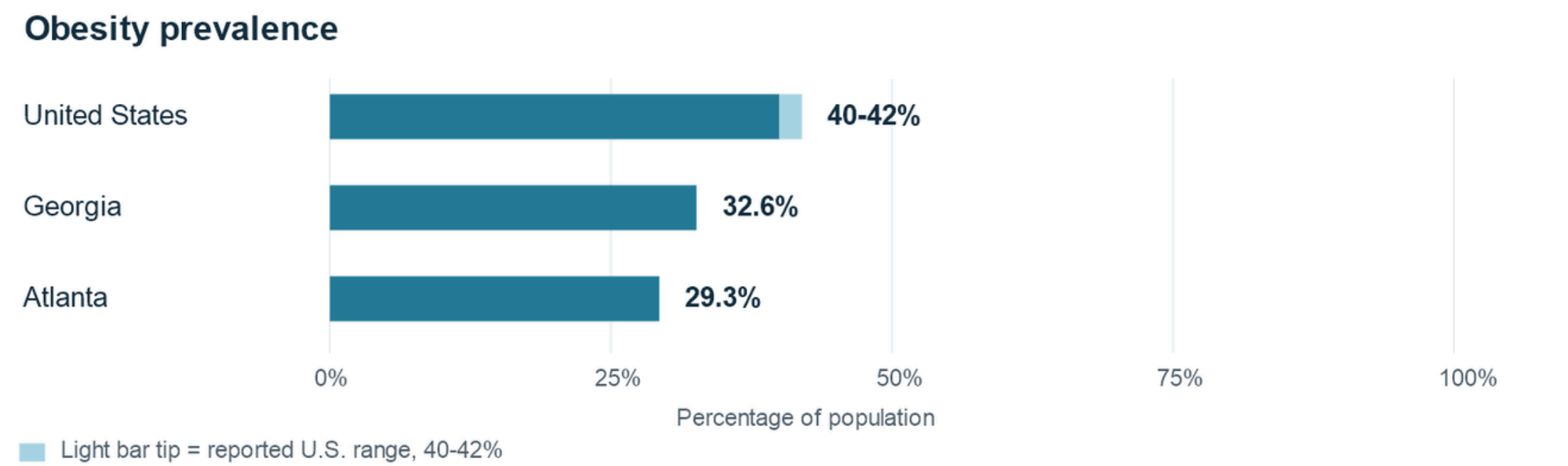
Edible Landscaping — Instead of purely decorative landscaping, incorporate fruit trees, berry bushes, herbs, and vegetables throughout the site.

Community Composting — Takes waste from the kitchen/café and returns it to the garden as compost.

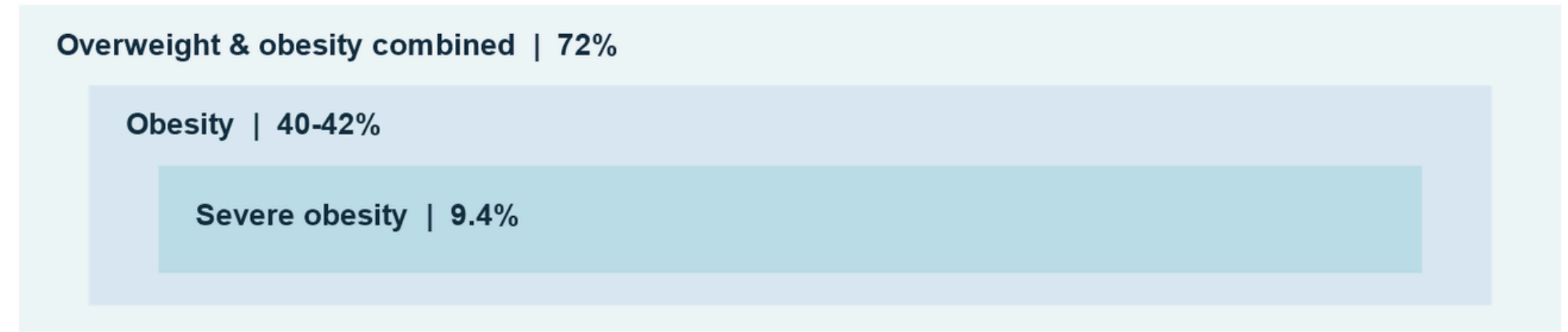


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United States, Atlanta and Georgia



How the U.S. categories fit together

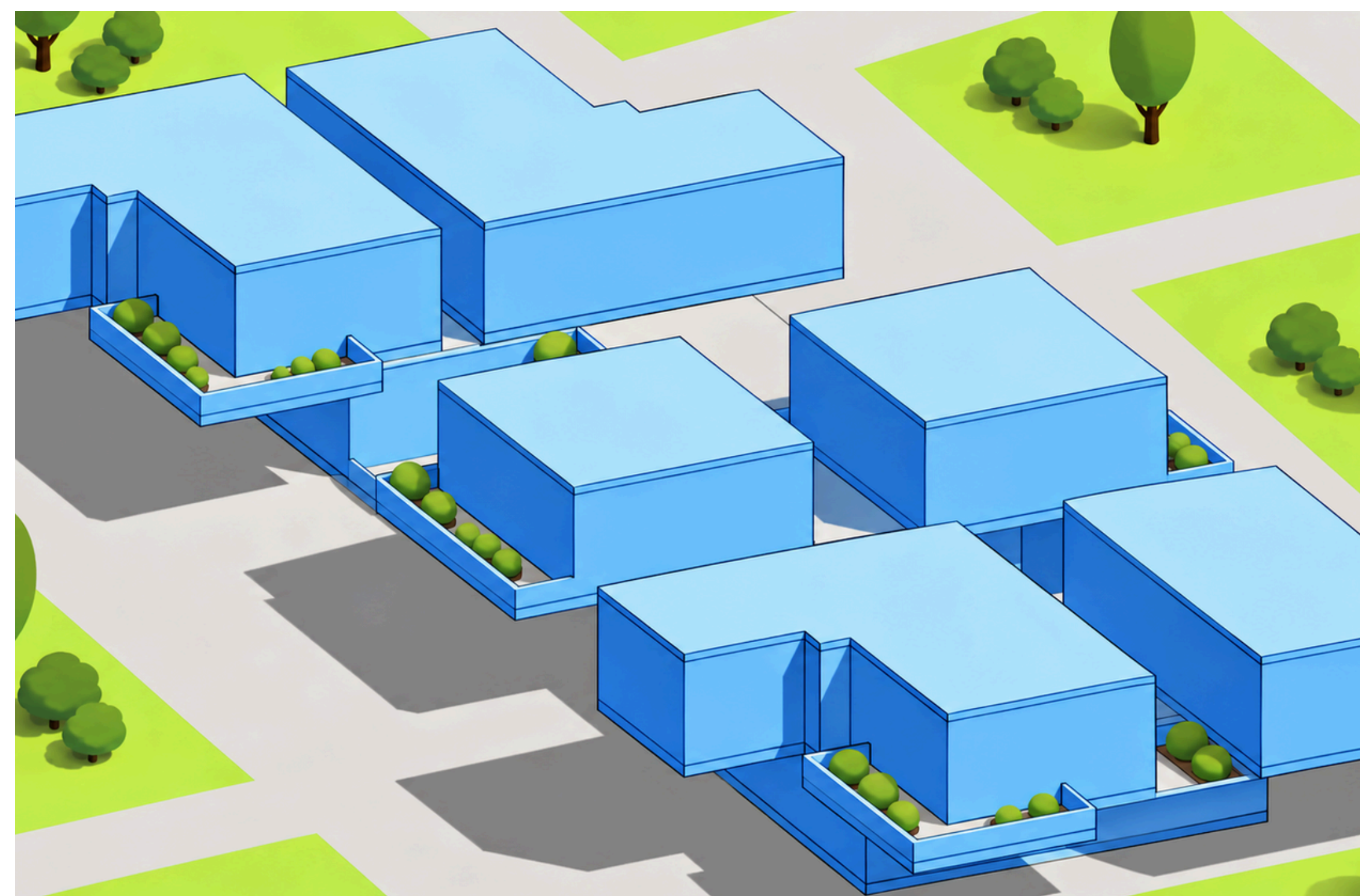
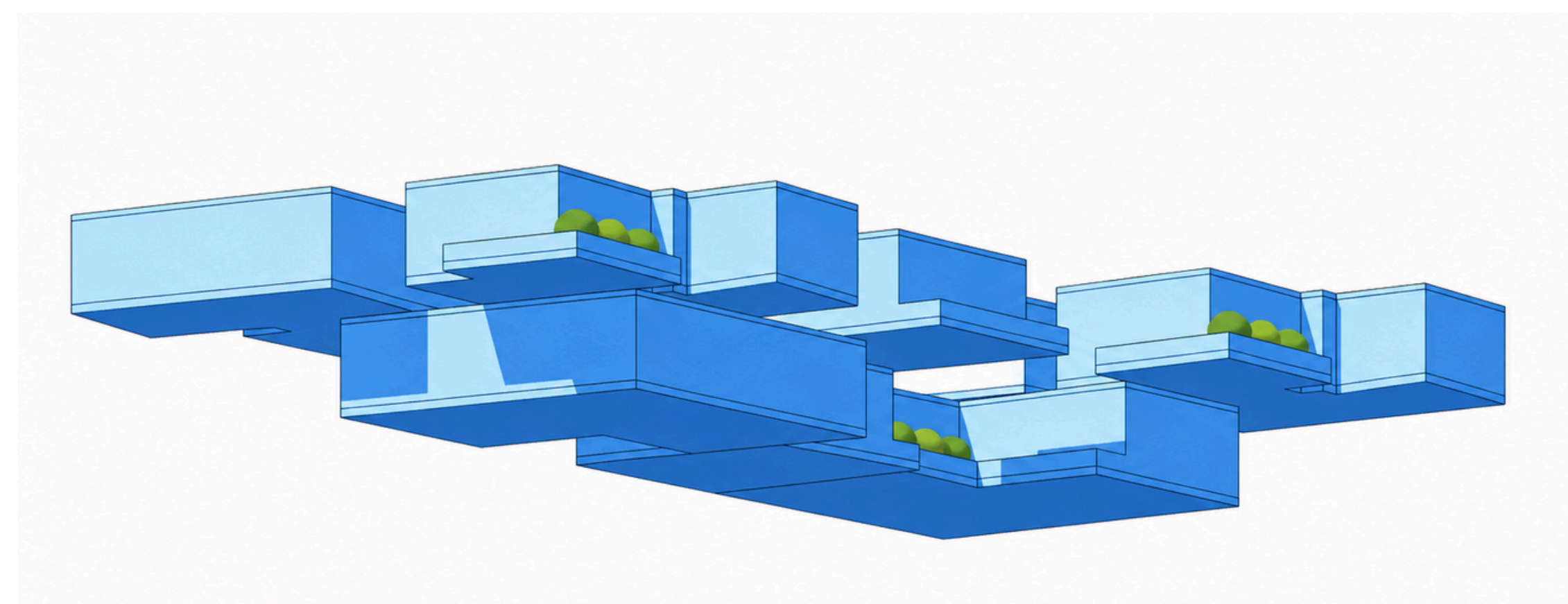
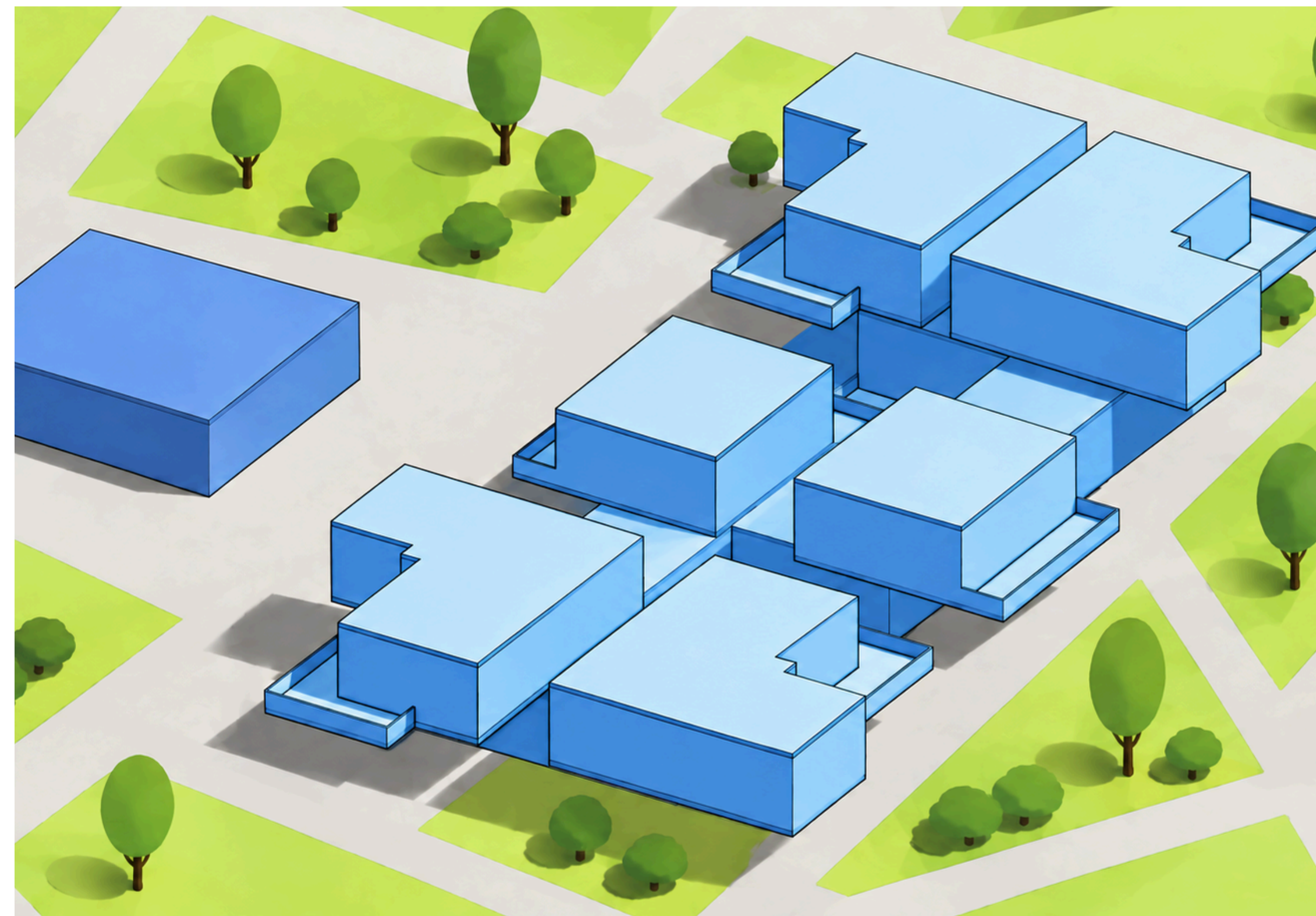
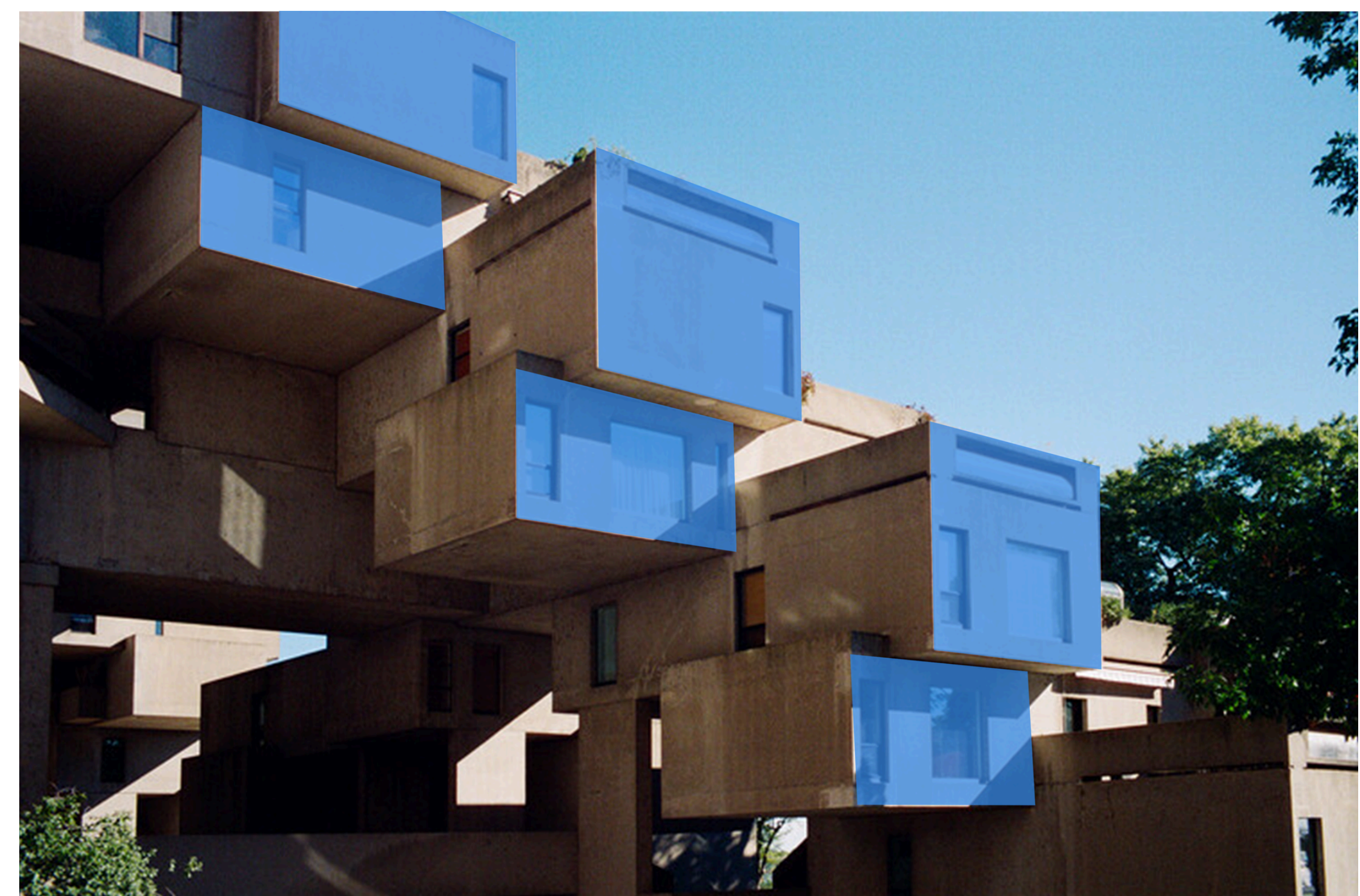
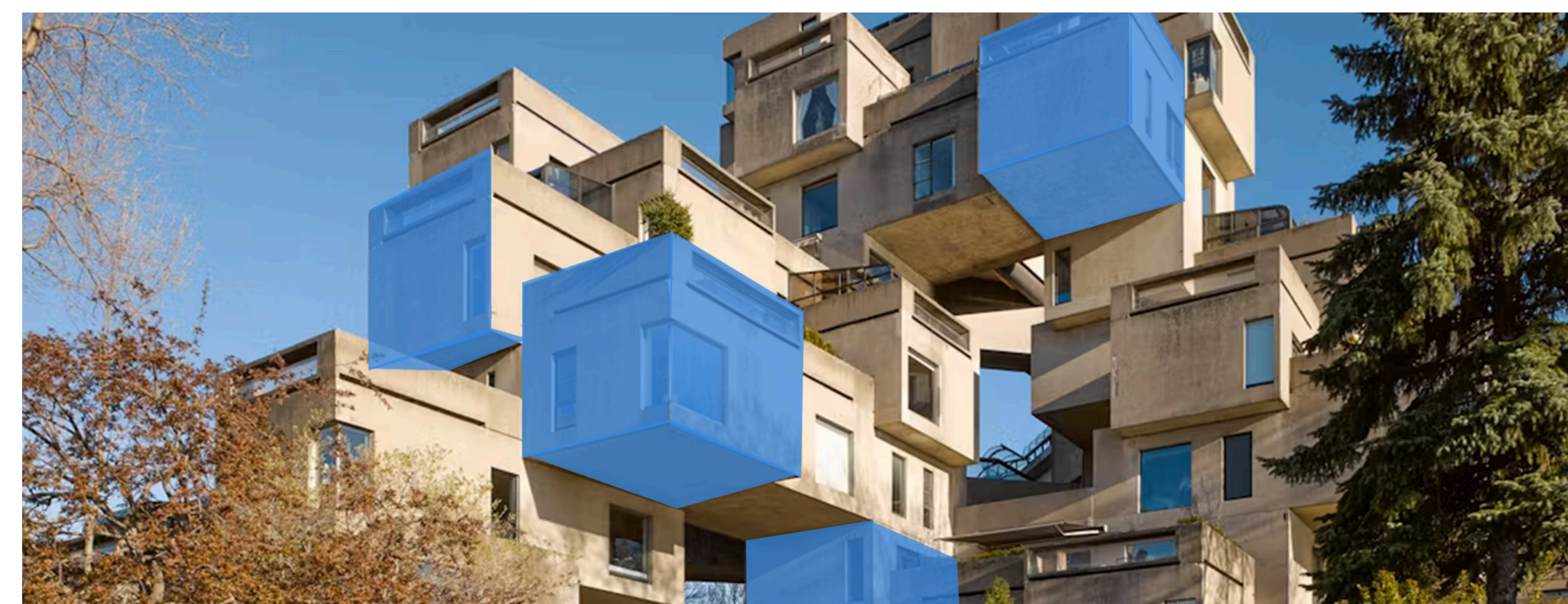


Bigger Picture



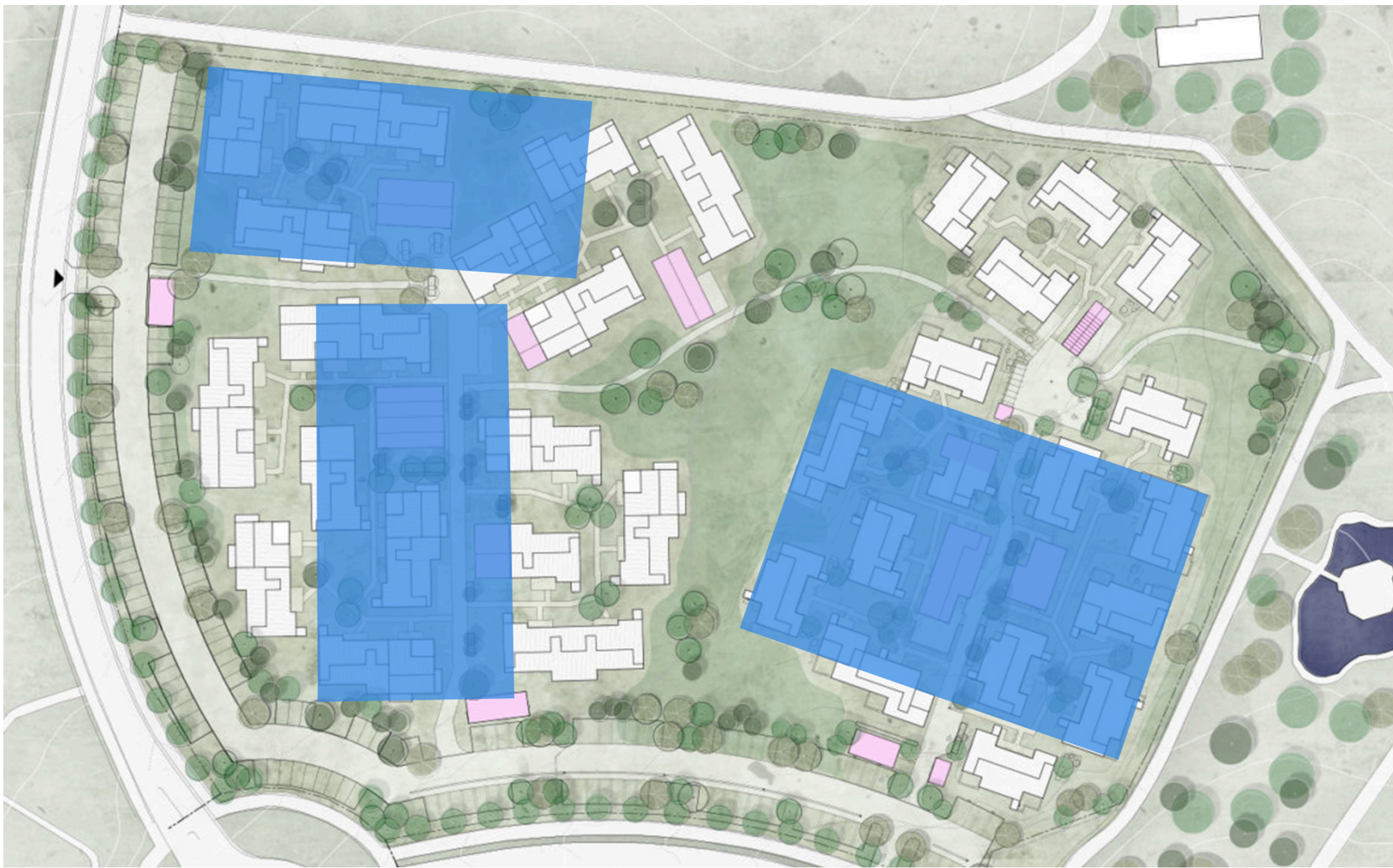
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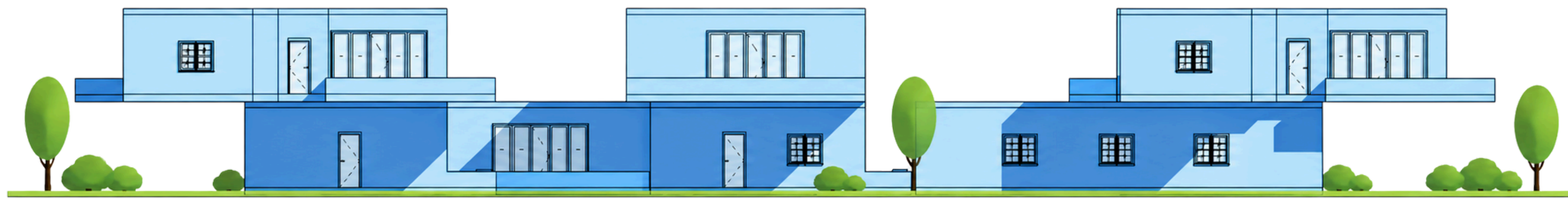
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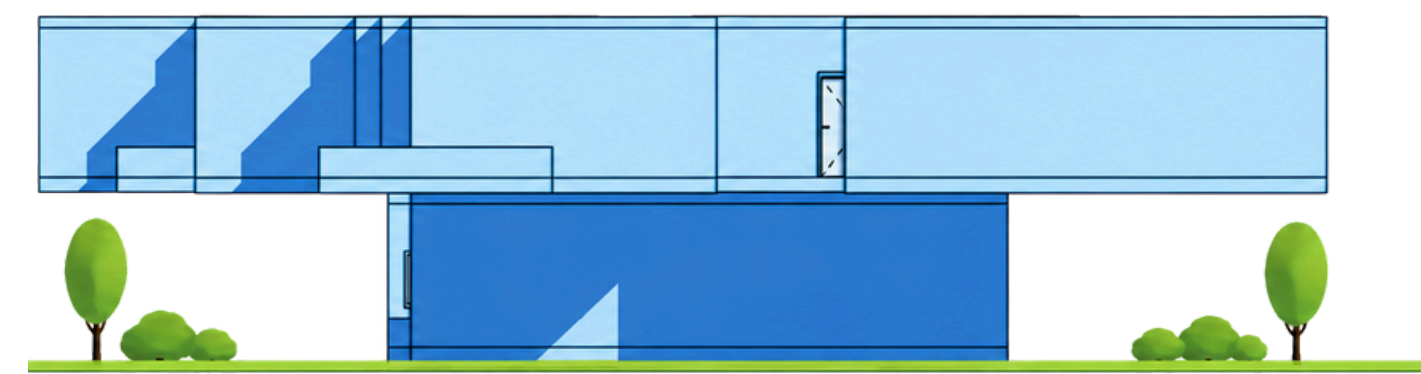
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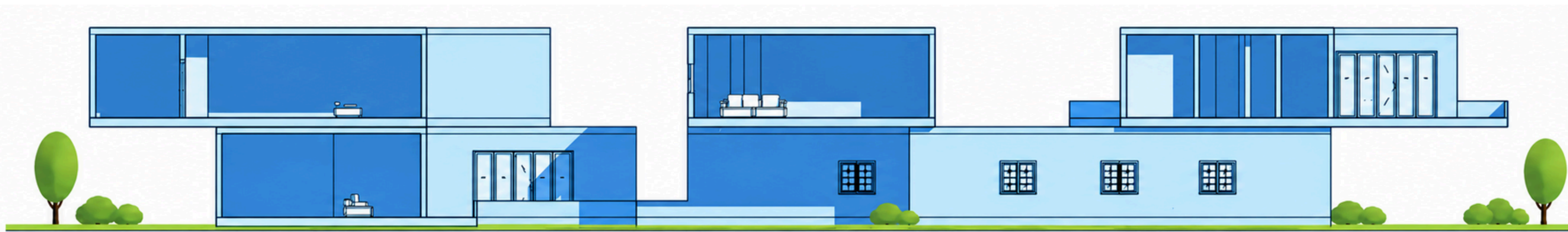




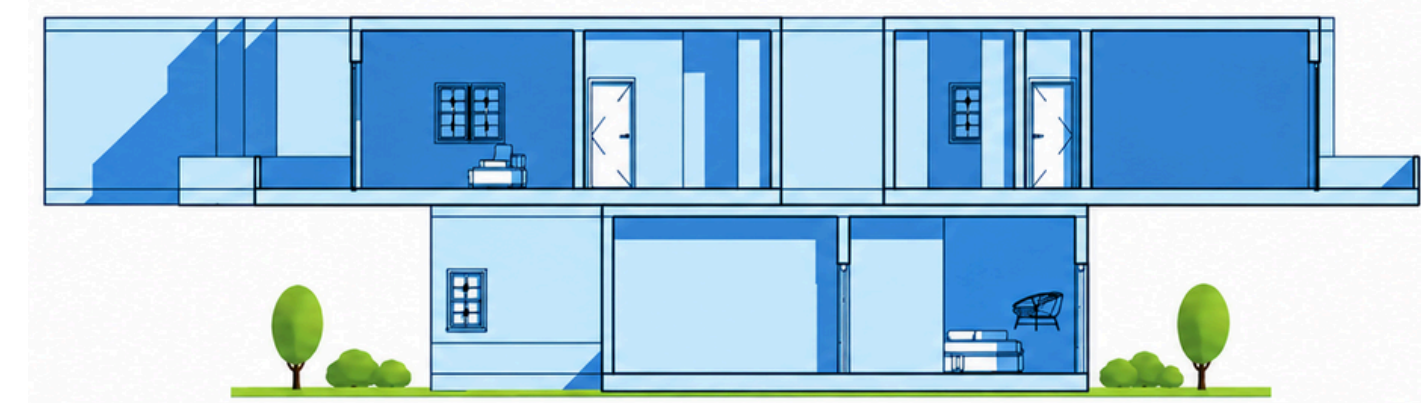
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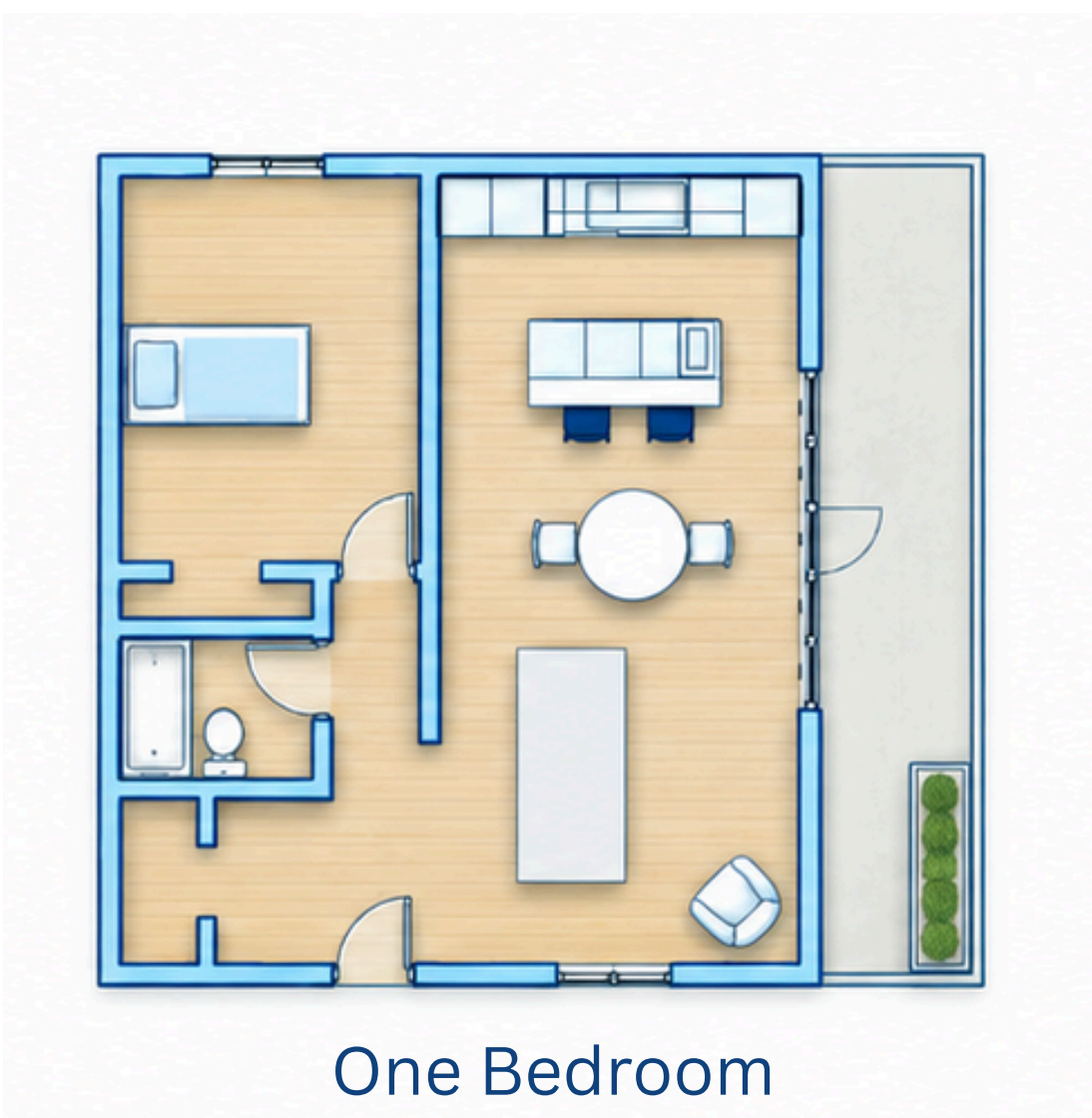
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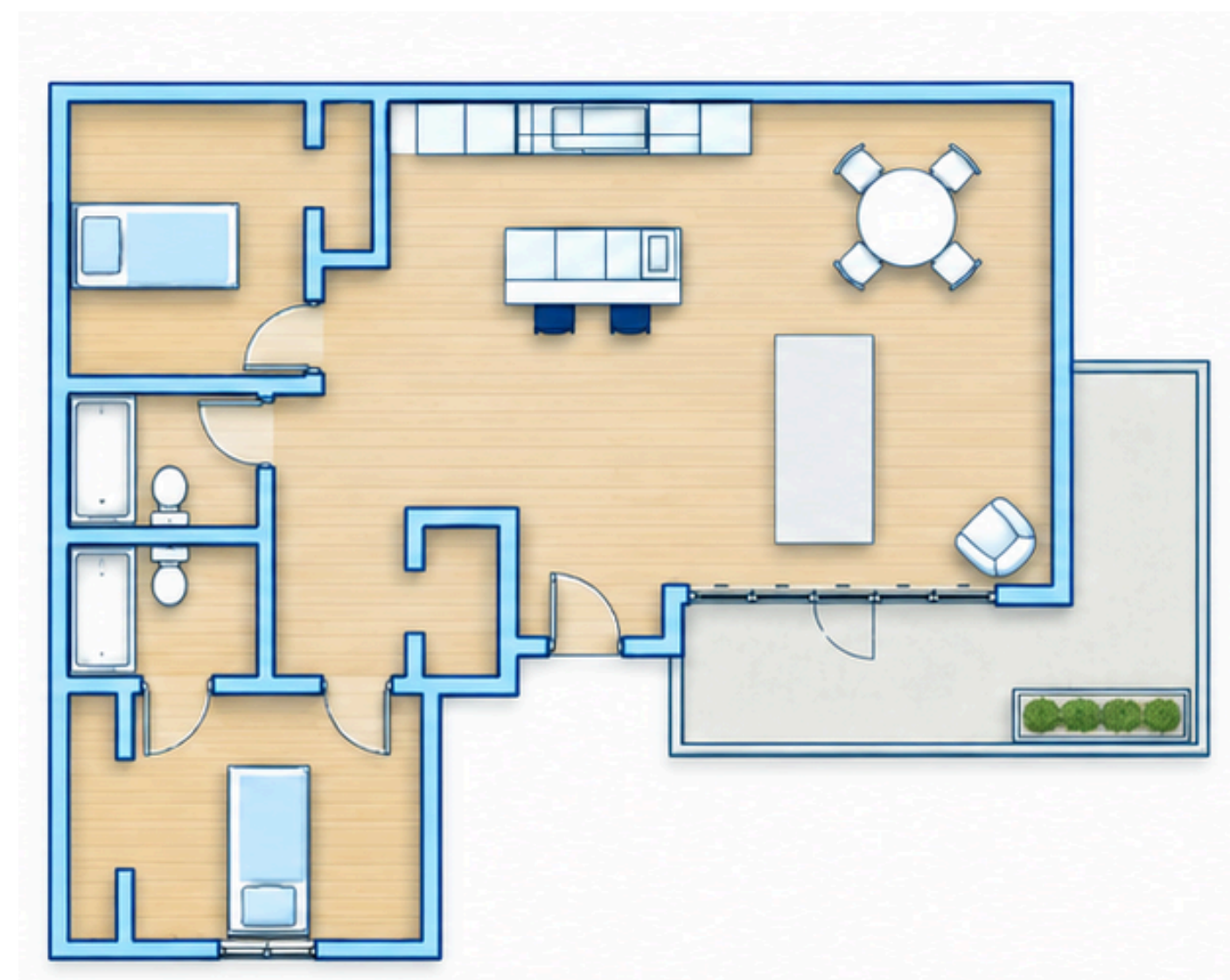
North & South Sections



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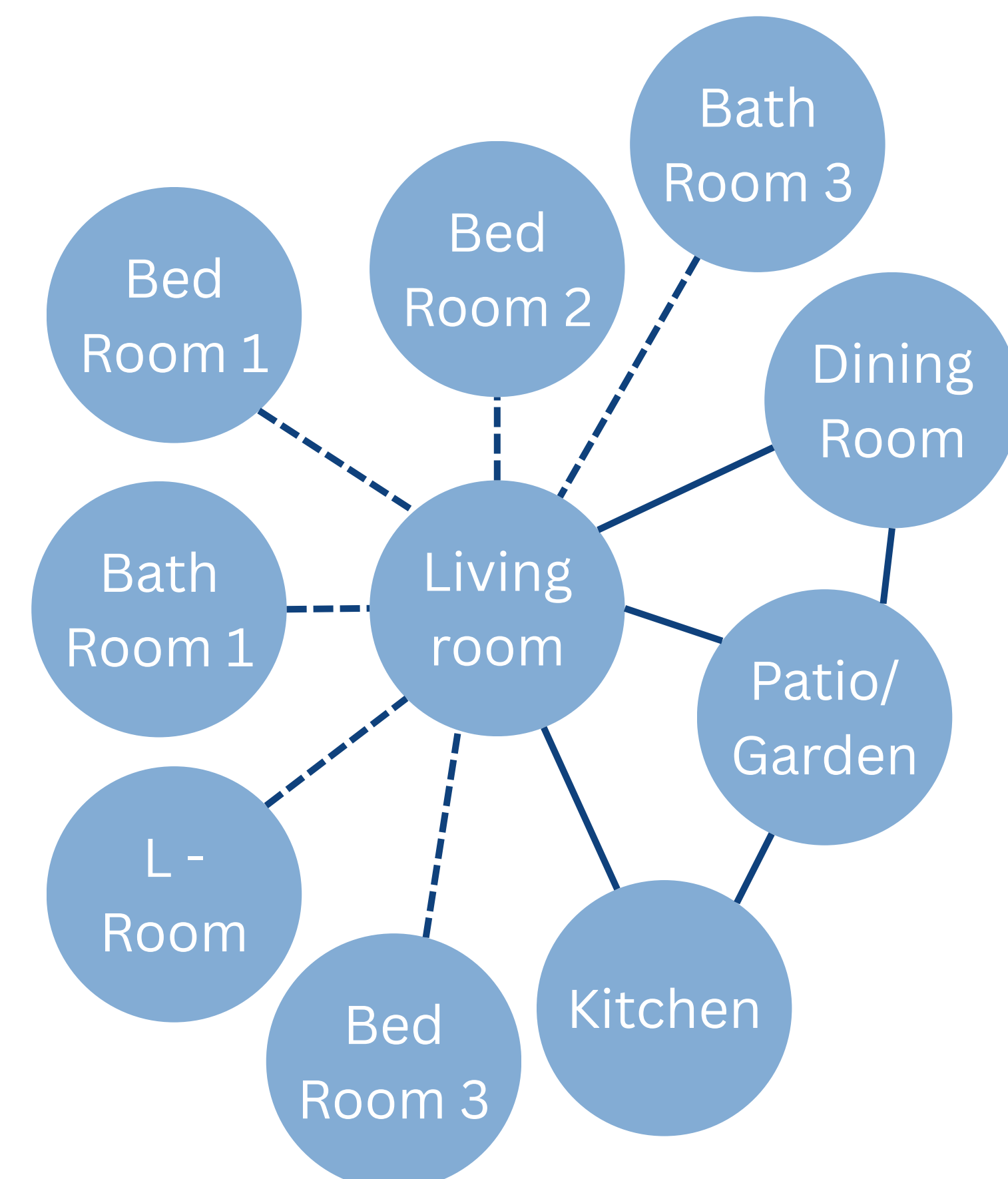
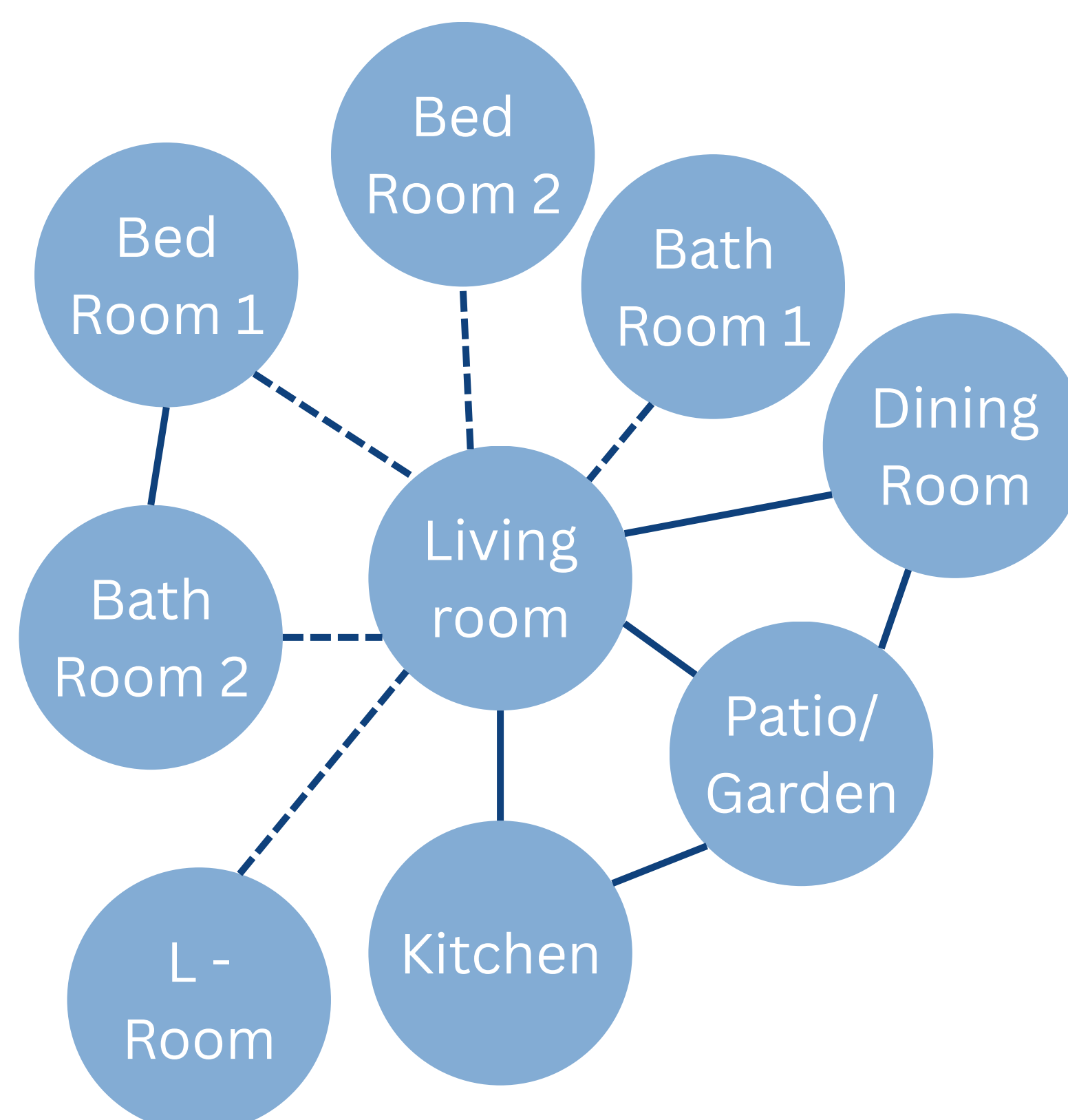
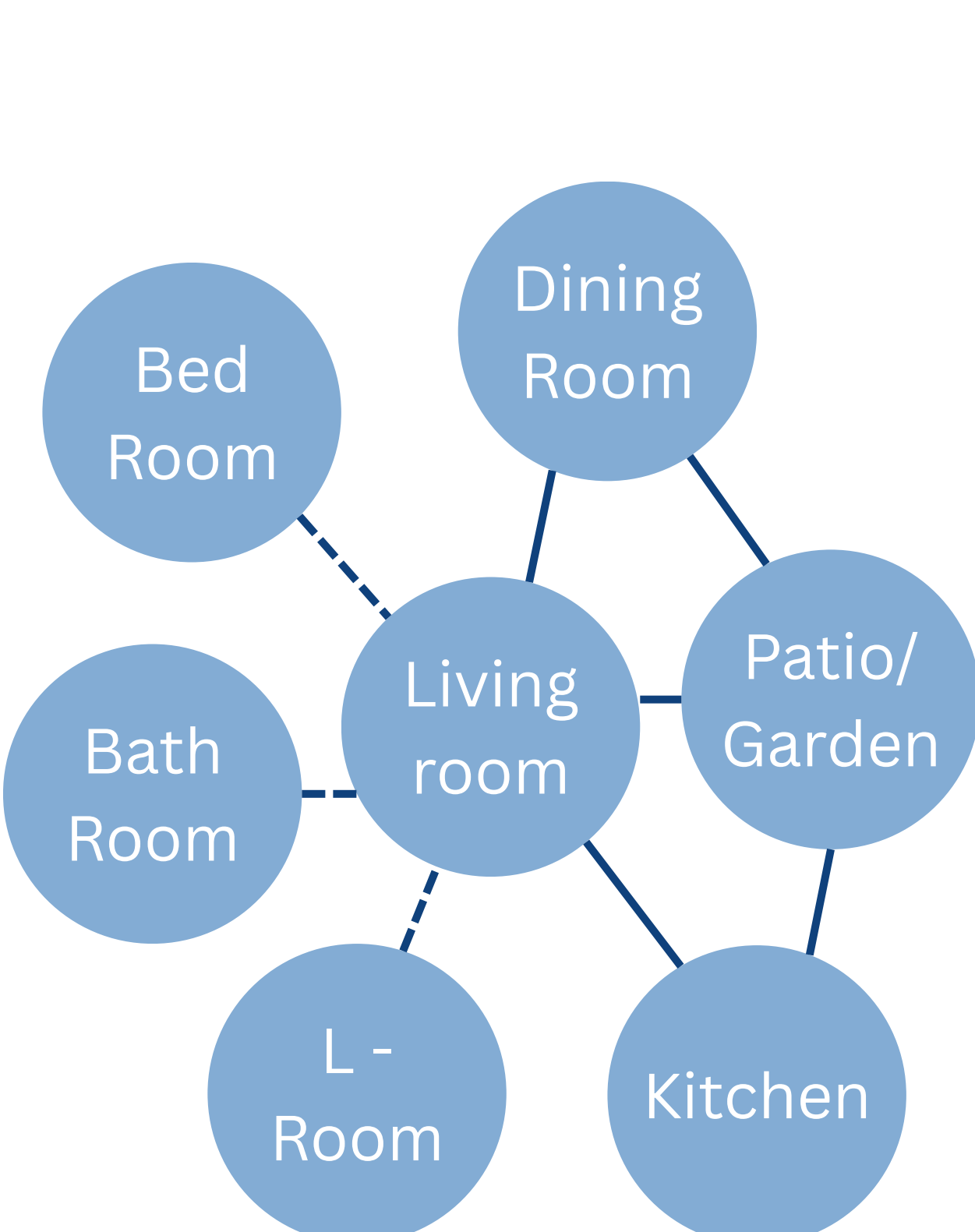
One Bedroom



Two Bedroom

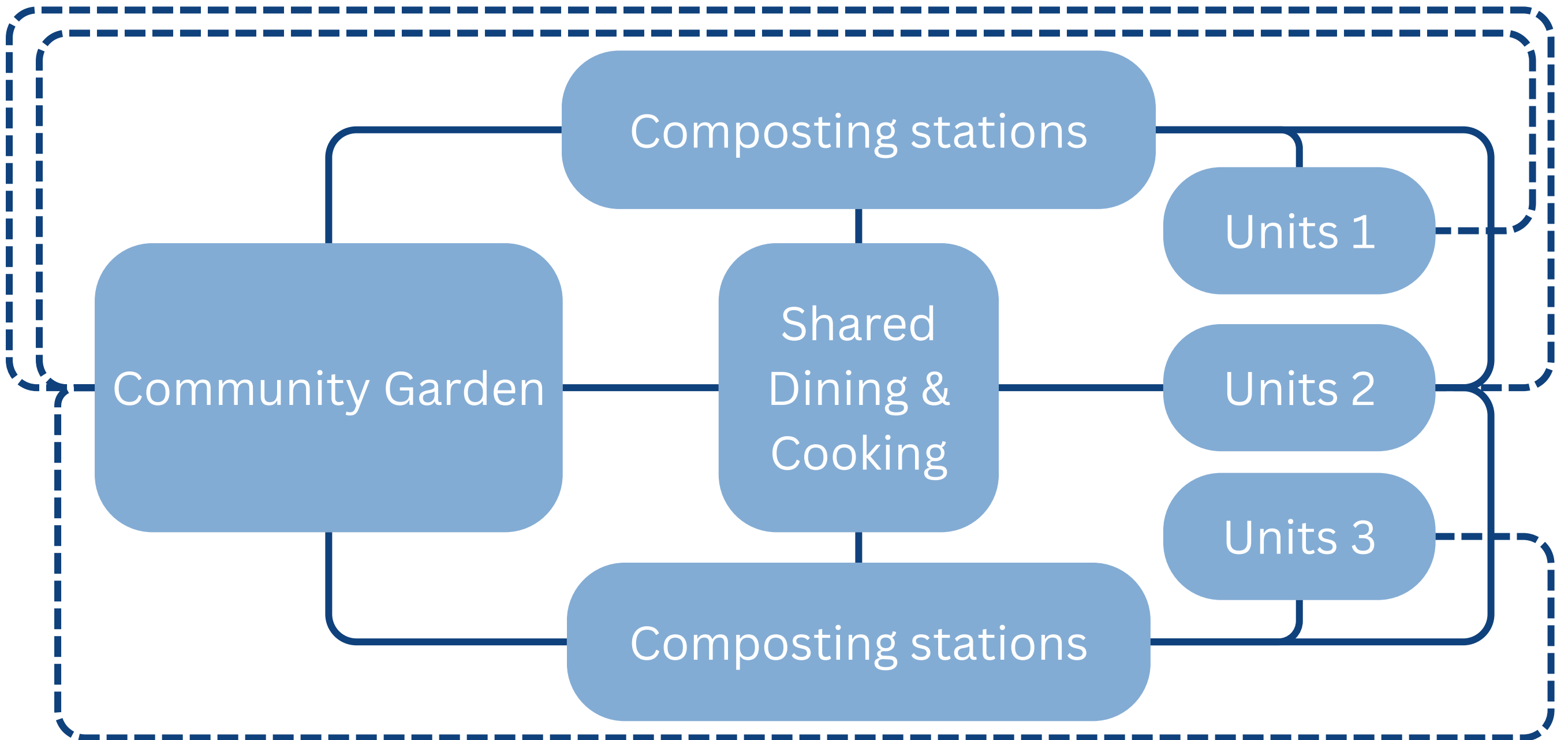
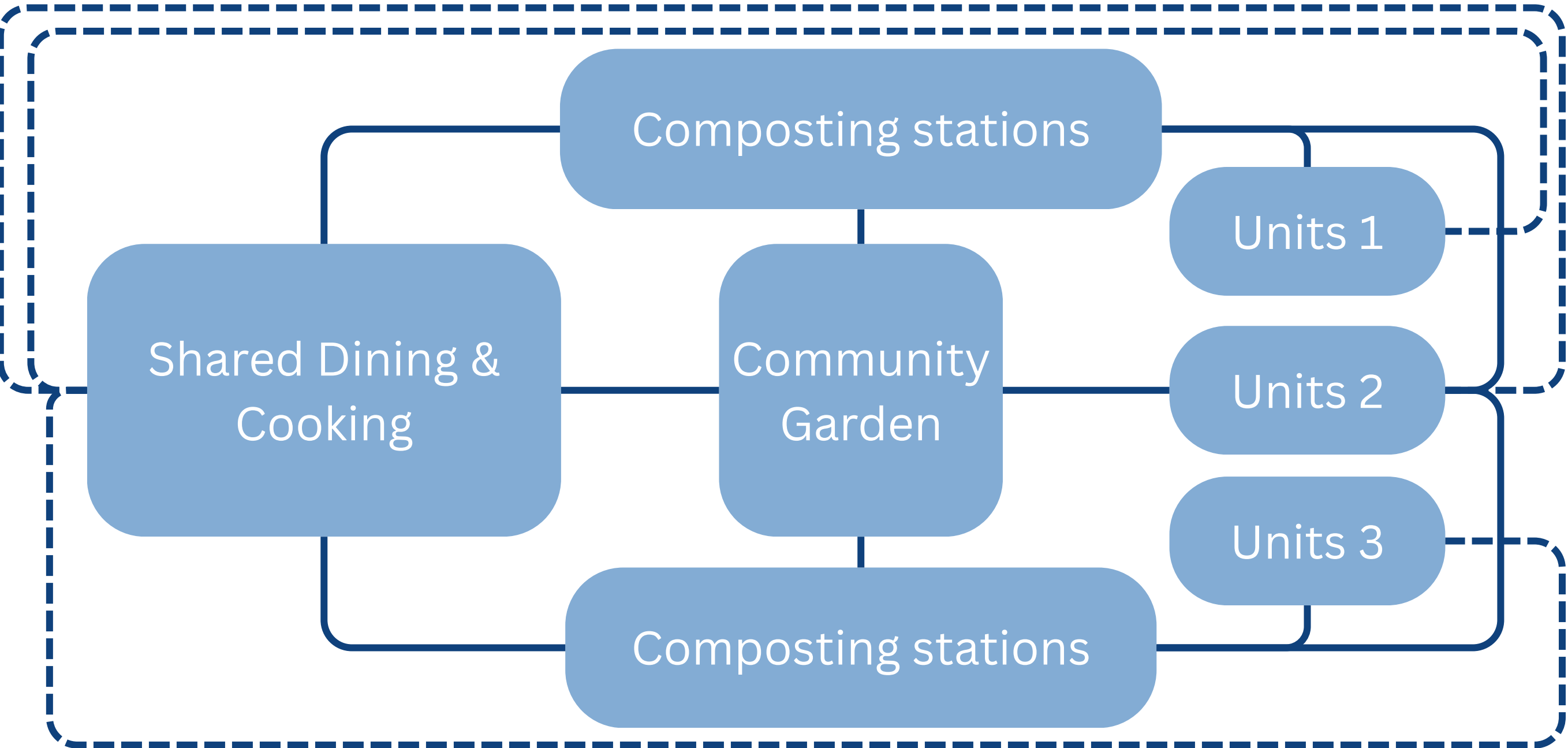
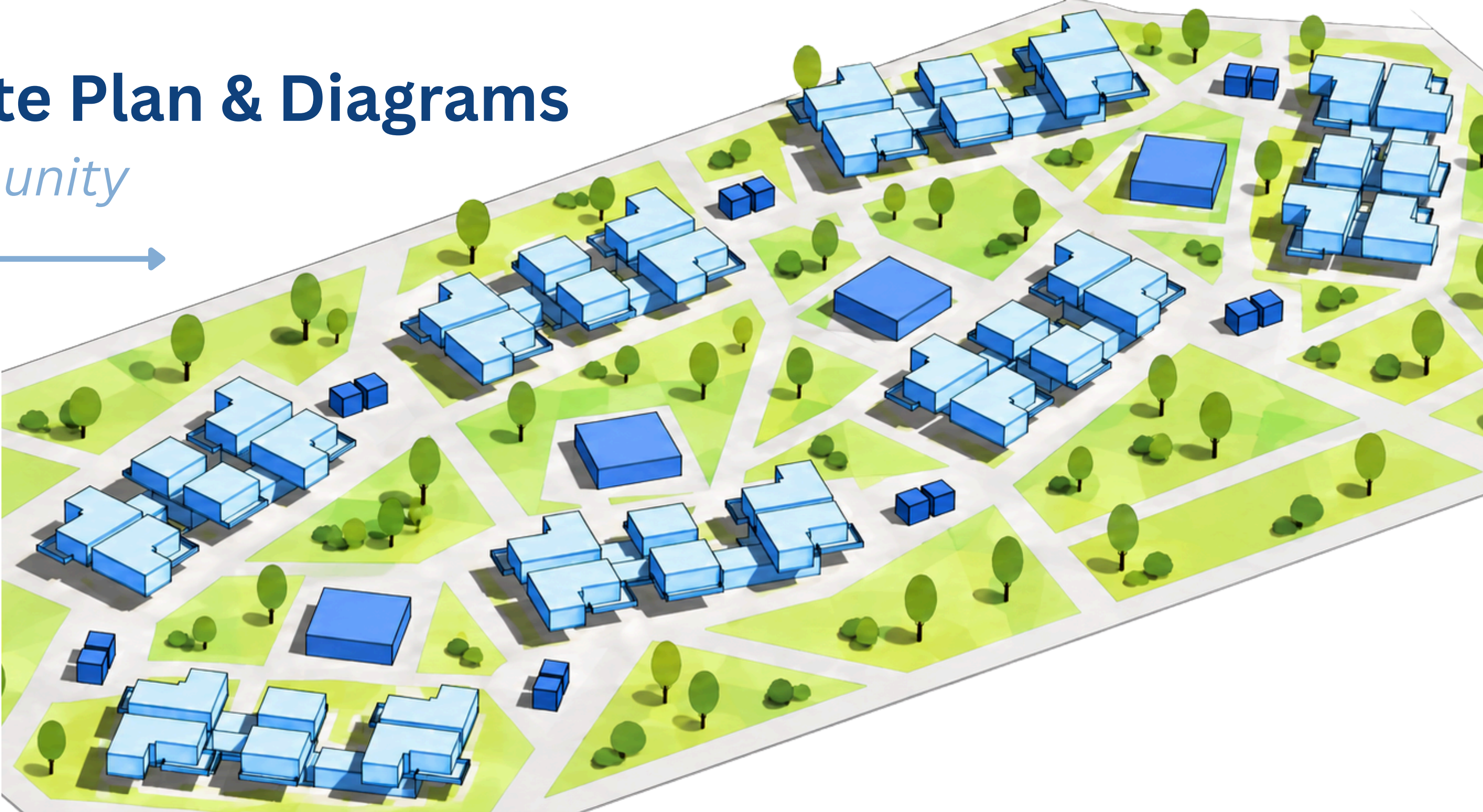


Three Bedroom



Rooted in Renewal - Site Plan & Diagrams

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Community Collage



Architectural Collage

