



# Illinois Veterans' Home



## QUINCY MASTER PLAN

Planning Today. Building Tomorrow. Honoring Always.

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## The results are in!

### THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR COMMUNITY SURVEY!

Over the past eight weeks, we received over 800 responses from community members like yourself. Each response provided interesting and valuable feedback regarding your hopes for the future of the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy. The insight generated from this ten-question survey was analyzed and used to inform the draft Master Plan.

This survey was designed to identify the priorities Quincy residents and other interested parties had in the creation of a Master Plan for the veterans' home. Questions covered a range of topics including respondents' current perception of the veterans' home, their concerns with the creation of a Master Plan, and the types of changes they would like to see made to the campus.

Many survey respondents emphasized a desire to maintain the historic nature and integrity of the campus. Dedicated in 1886, the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy has been a staple of the community for over 100 years. Preserving this important landmark is of utmost importance.

In addition to preserving the home's character, respondents noted a desire to ensure residents continue receiving a high quality of care. With over 300 dedicated clinical staff members and employees, the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy will not only be a destination for premium care for veterans' and their eligible spouses within Quincy, IL but across the state. Many survey respondents suggested the importance of single occupancy rooms and updated designs to accommodate modern medical equipment such as power wheel chairs. ■

\*\*\* Thank you for Participating

800+ responses

17 organizations represented

49% of respondents know an IVHQ resident



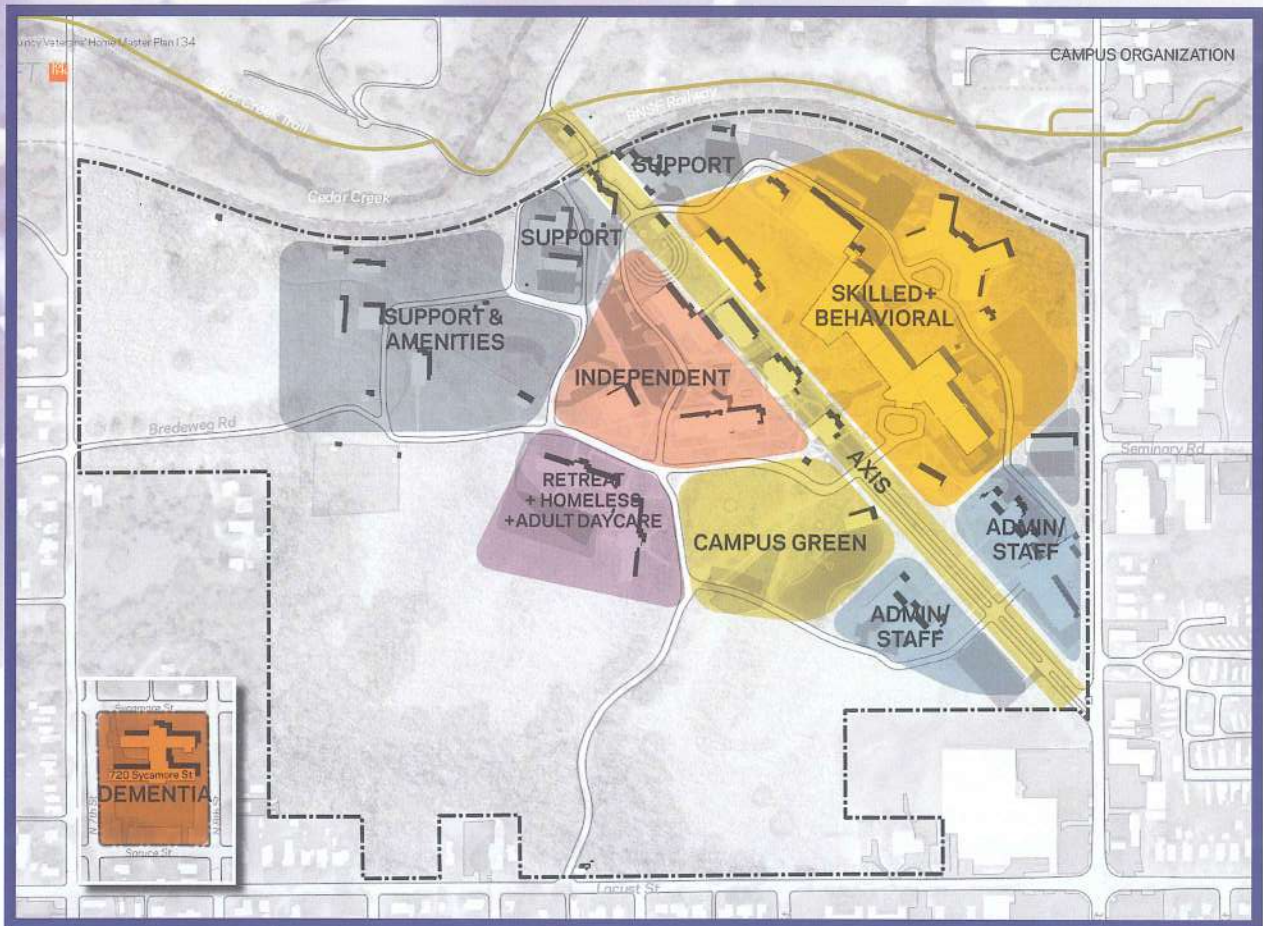
Over 800 community members participated in our survey. Check out the words they used to describe their vision for the future of the veterans' home.

- Futuristic
- Economical
- Safe
- Well-maintained
- New
- Community
- Efficient
- Technology
- Modern
- Appealing
- Privacy
- Preserved
- Historic
- Improved
- Innovative
- Character



# Imagine a new **FUTURE** for the campus

**MEMBERS OF THE PROJECT TEAM EXPLORED** a number of concepts for the campus. These concepts tested a range of program relationships, care types, building reuse and demolition options, as well as open space and roadway concepts. Through this process a preferred alternative was selected to be the foundation of the Master Plan. The framework is focused around the reinforcement of a core axis through the center of campus with residential care organized in neighborhoods that stem from the center axis. ■



Campus Organization

## Caring for our veterans *today* and into the *future*

### Key Goals

**A GOAL OF THE MASTER PLAN** is to account for the changing landscape of veteran care. Changes in the U.S. veteran population will have meaningful impacts on the definition of veteran care in the future. The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs is committed to addressing the needs of current veterans, while also planning for a variety of future needs. The intent of the Master Plan is to guide the campus forward by creating a vibrant place to call home, today and into the future. ■

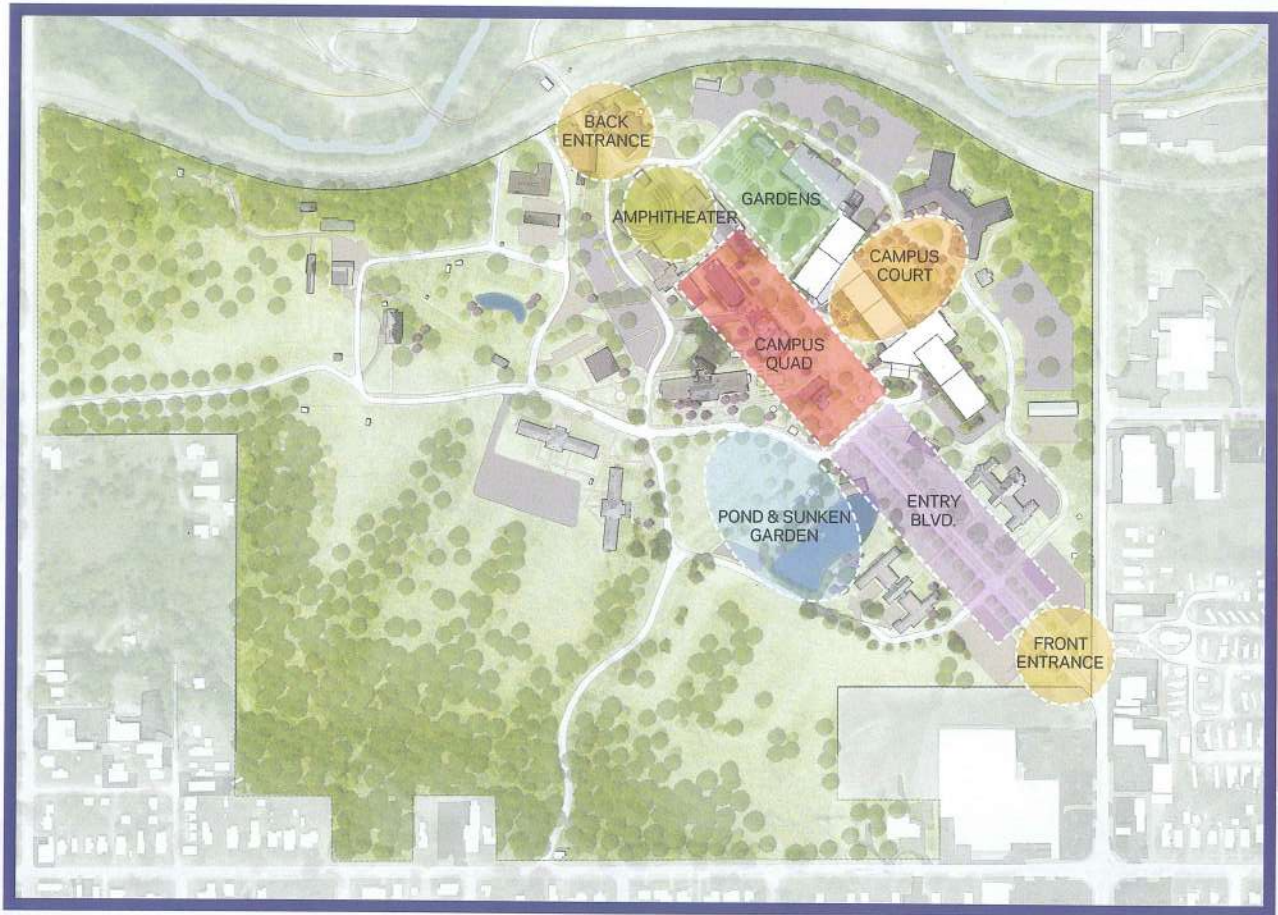
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**Accessibility  
and  
Safety**

2  
**Community  
and  
Character**

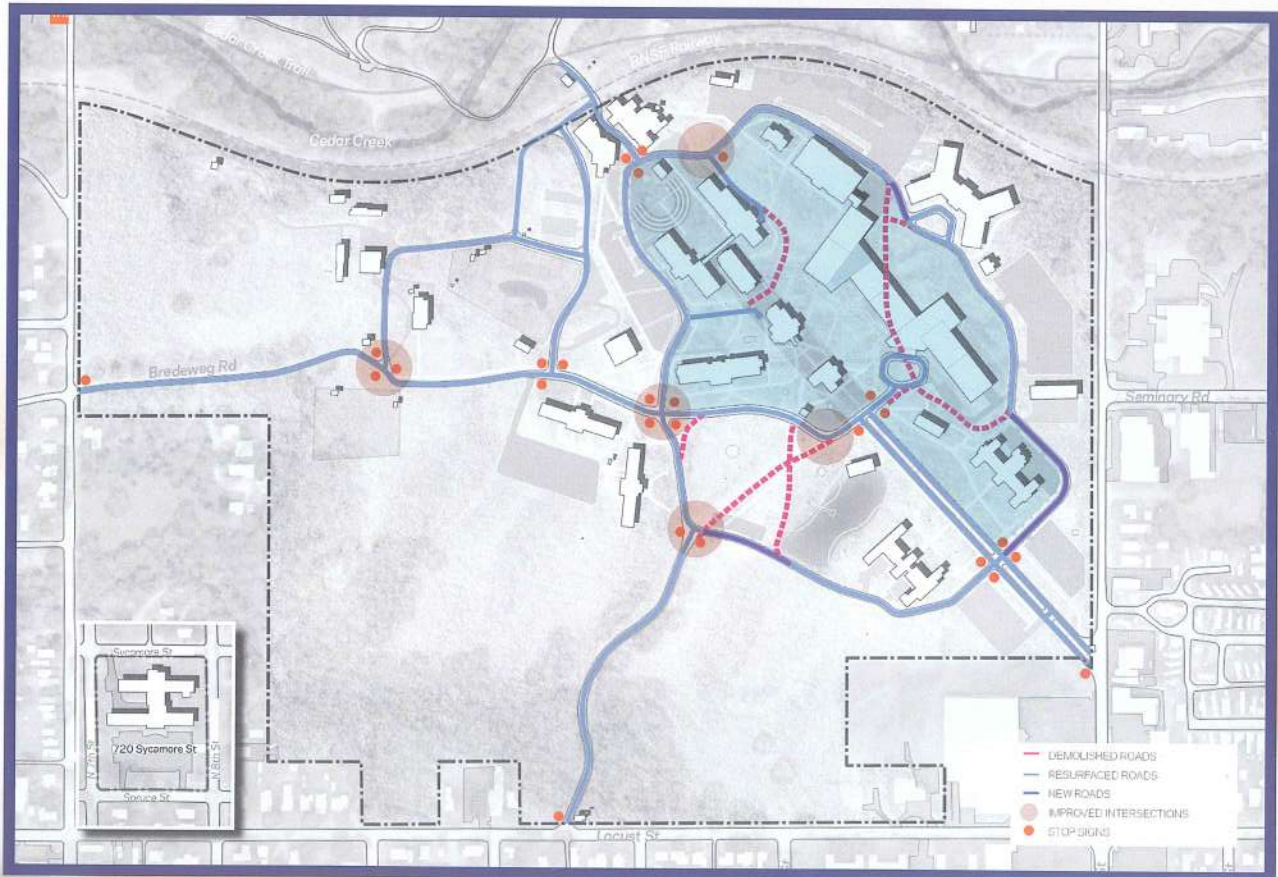
3  
**Flexibility  
and  
Adaptability**

4  
**Infrastructure  
and  
Technology**

5  
**Sustainability  
and  
Resiliency**



*Landscape Concept*



*Street System Strategy*

***A warm welcome into the Quincy community as we participated in...***

**THANK YOU FOR WELCOMING US INTO YOUR COMMUNITY** and for your show of continued support. Our team has been speaking with residents, business owners, and community leadership for the past twelve weeks. Whether you've seen us at local festivals, fairs, and events, or we've stopped by your business to chat personally, we appreciate all your feedback and interest in this project. ■



**Quincy, IL Fourth of July Fireworks Festival**

**Mid-America Military Salute**

**Heroes of the Heartland**

**Illinois State Fair at Springfield**

**Illinois State Fair at Du Quoin**



**A look into the past as inspiration for the future** ★ ★ ★

Pictured here are residents and Quincy, IL community members gathering in the lawn of the veterans' home campus then known as the Soldiers and Sailors Home. This image, taken in 1957, serves as one inspiration for the communal gathering places the new campus Master Plan will account for!



## **Master Plan on track to be finalized in December of 2018**

**AS WE ENTER STAGE 4 OF THE MASTER PLAN INITIATIVE** we are continuing to work with the community, residents, staff, and Quincy, IL leadership to shape the future of this home. Providing our veterans high quality care, while maintaining this campus as a staple of the Quincy community is a top priority. ■

