



Rendering of The Hearth and illuminated Rainbow



Project stakeholders collaborate on the design process



Rendering of The Glade

Project HOME: LGBTQ Friendly Young Adult Residence

Generated through workshop process that included Project Home staff and young adults from the LGBTQ community the 3000 sf garden was designed as a beautiful, safe respite from the world.

It is the heart of the Gloria Casarez Residence which provides 30 LGBTQ-friendly affordable homes for young adults (ages 18-23 at entry) who are homeless, have experienced homelessness or are at risk of homelessness, including those aging out of foster care. It is the first permanent supportive housing of this kind in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and among the first in the nation.

The Hearth:

The garden is centered on a glowing hearth around which tiered seating makes a great space for visiting and story-telling.

The Terrace:

The Terrace, made of permeable pavers for stormwater management, provides seating for 20 at small tables for dining, program activities, and study.

The Glade:

The Glade is a place for quiet moments with a rainwater runnel system woven in lush plantings there is a hammock for dreaming and adirondack chairs for thinking.

Location: Philadelphia, PA

Client: Project HOME - Gloria Casarez Residence

Size: 3000 square feet

Cost: \$250,000

Status: 2017-2018