

Welcome to the

YELLOW BRICK ROAD TOUR



the
Montrose
Center



Law Harrington
Senior Living

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**Make your way
to Stop #1 in the
Lobby:**

**Law Harrington
Senior Living Center**



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**Make your way
to Stop #2 in the
Lobby:**

**Charles Law and
Gene Harrington**



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JD Doyle/Houston LGBT History*

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**Make your way
to Stop #3 at the
Legacy Clinic:**

**Legacy Community
Health**



*The clinic is dedicated to
Jay Hollyfield thanks to
a generous gift from the
Hollyfield Foundation.*

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Make your way
to Stop #4 in the
Multipurpose Room:

**Annise D. Parker
Multipurpose Room**

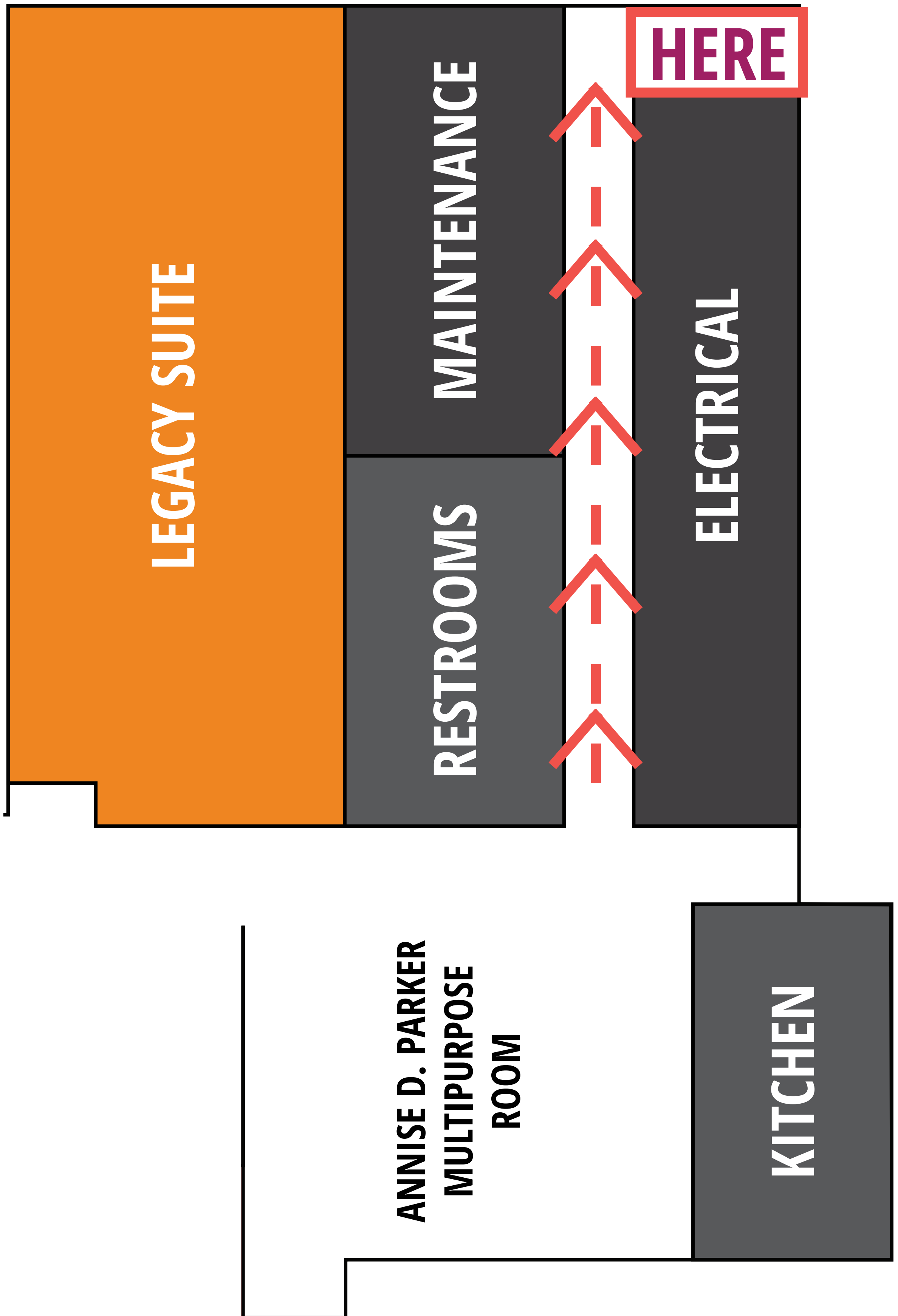


*Made possible by a generous gift
from former Mayor Annise Parker,
Kathy Hubbard, and family.*

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As you head to the [second floor](#), be sure to notice the signage and amenities. This 13,420 SF clubhouse was made possible by a generous donation from the LTR Lewis Cloverdale Foundation and is designed to foster community, volunteerism, activities, and opportunities to connect with residents. The facility was designed to house seniors from 3rd Ward and Montrose, allowing the leaders who helped establish these great neighborhoods to live close to their communities, congregations, and cherished spaces. Our residents are dynamic leaders, activists, artists and so much more.

*Walk down the hallway and
up the stairwell to the second
floor to continue the tour.*



*An elevator is also available by
the kitchen.*

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Welcome to the **second floor** of the clubhouse and our **History Hall**. This hallway has incredible light throughout the day and looks out onto the **Rainbow Tower**.



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According to the U.S. Census, every day 10,000 Baby Boomers turn 62. This is known as a demographic shift often referred to as the “age wave” or “gray tsunami.” According to the National Coalition for the Homeless, there are at least nine seniors waiting for every one occupied unit of affordable senior housing nationwide. In some cases, a senior can spend three to five years on the wait list for access to affordable housing. Additionally, more than 60 affordable senior communities were damaged or destroyed in past natural disasters, such as Hurricane Harvey.

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In the middle of the [History Hall](#) you will find our business center, which houses computers, printer, and volunteer opportunities to help our seniors bridge the tech divide. A majority of our seniors do not have access to the Internet or smart phones. This can create significant challenges during pandemic lockdowns and can further isolate our seniors.

Because of this space, our seniors will be able to stay in touch virtually with friends and loved ones near and far. Thanks to supporters like you, we have been able to realize our vision so that our seniors can age with dignity and pride in a safe community.

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**Make your way to
Stop #5 in the Social
Services Suite:**

**Chris Kerr SPRY
Social Services Suite**



*Named in honor of the late
Chris Kerr, who worked at the
Montrose Center for 19 years.*

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**Make your way
across the hall to
Stop #6:
Library**



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from Curtis and James Taylor.*

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As you exit the **Library**, make sure to look to your left and see another view of the **Rainbow Tower** from the second floor.

Rainbow light comes into this area at different times during the day, making this is a favorite spot for our residents to drink coffee and visit. As you walk to the end of the hall and leave the clubhouse, you will be entering the residential area of the center.

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To your left you will see one of the facilities' **Trash Rooms**. These are on each floor throughout the building so our residents do not have to carry their trash too far from their apartments. This trash chute, which has an entrance on each of the four floors, was made possible by a generous donation from Ken Council.



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Make your way to
Stop #7:

Fitness Center



*This naming opportunity is
available.*

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Make your way to
Stop #8:
Rainbow Stairwells



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Head down to the
first floor and make
your way to Stop #9:
The Model Unit

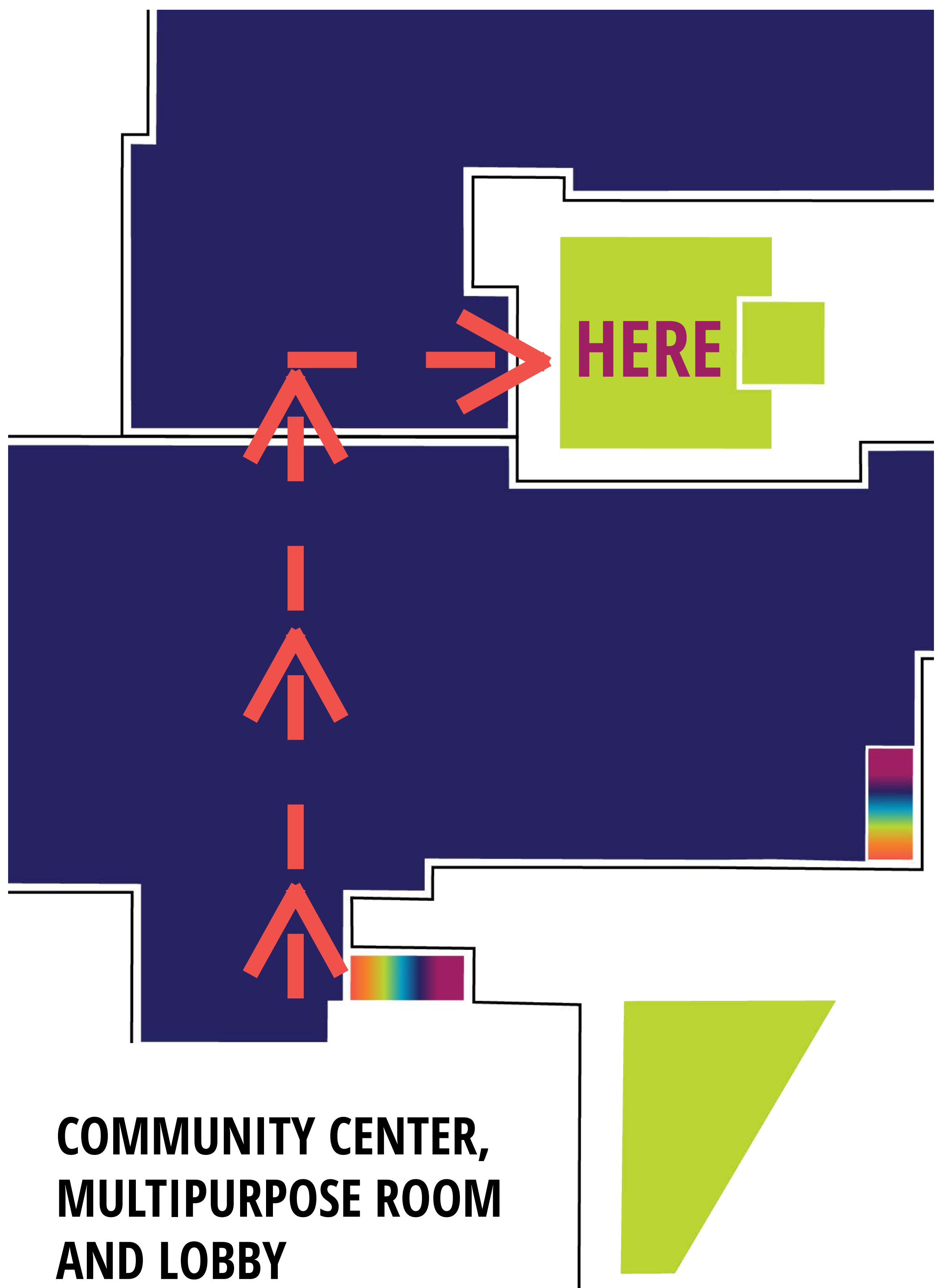


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LGBTQ seniors are twice as likely to age in social isolation and four times less likely to have the money needed for retirement in comparison to their heterosexual peers. Add to this the lack of city- or state-wide protections for the LGBTQ community against housing discrimination, plus lack of affordable living options for LGBTQ seniors, and it is clear that our seniors need a place to age with dignity and pride in a stable, safe and accepting community. **The Law Harrington Senior Living Center** is open to all seniors who meet the income guidelines, but will have specific services and programming for LGBTQ seniors and seniors living with HIV.

Walk down the hallway of the facility to head to the Main Courtyard.



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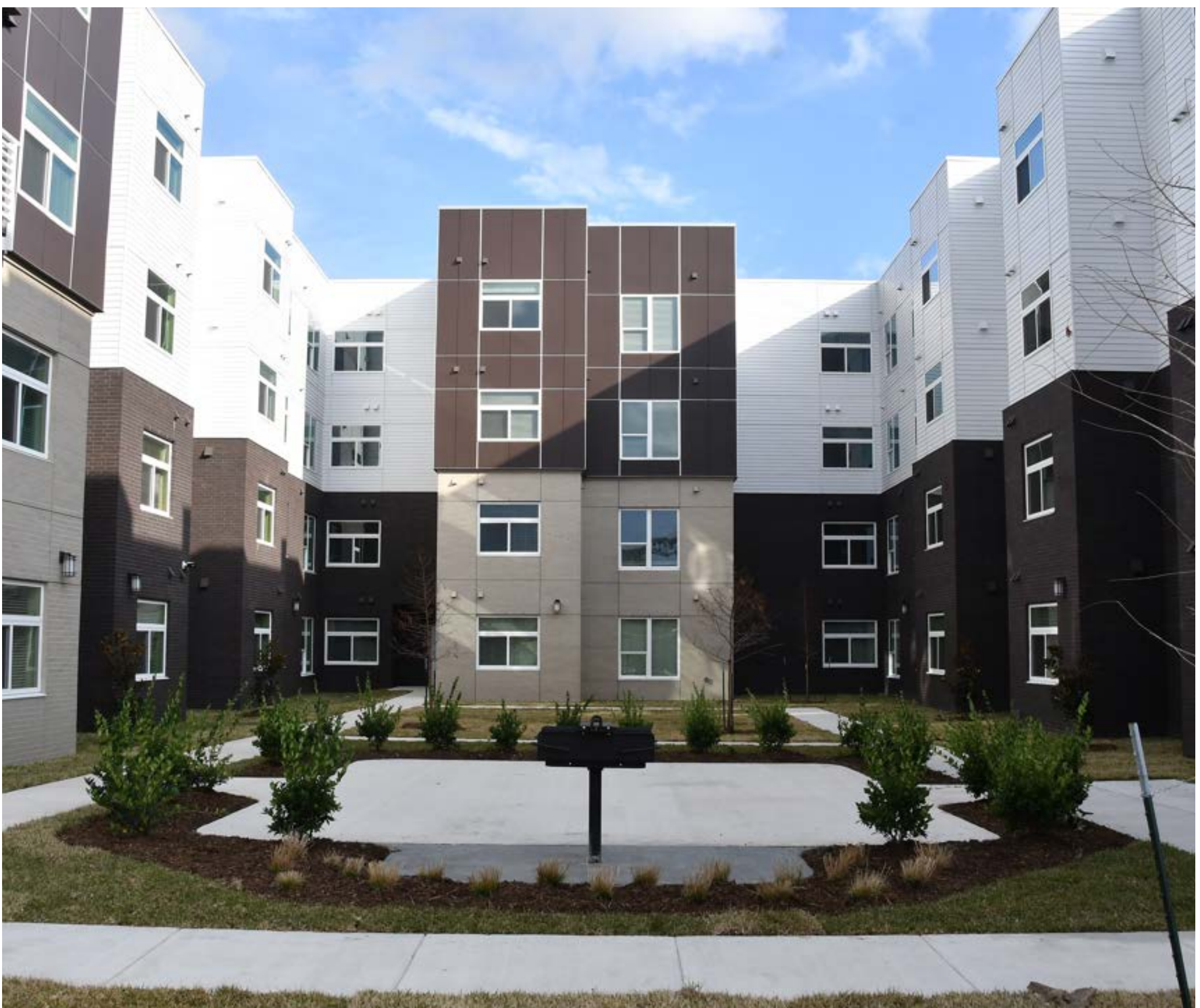
As you walk the halls, note the indoor mailroom, elevators, inset apartment entries and wide hallways of this four-story complex that has 84 one- and 28 two-bedroom apartments. Many focus groups and volunteers advised the Center to help us get the facilities features right. For example, the inset apartment entries keep the hallways from feeling cold and create a sense of arrival as our residents enter their homes. The two mailrooms are indoors in a climate-controlled environment so that residents do not have to venture outside for their mail.

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The entire facility is **Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)** Compliant, and there are ADA rooms which have specially designed kitchens with lower counters and center islands, lower switches, cabinet cut-outs that allow a wheelchair to pull up under the sink or counter, a single washer/dryer unit, and a larger bathroom with a lipless tub.

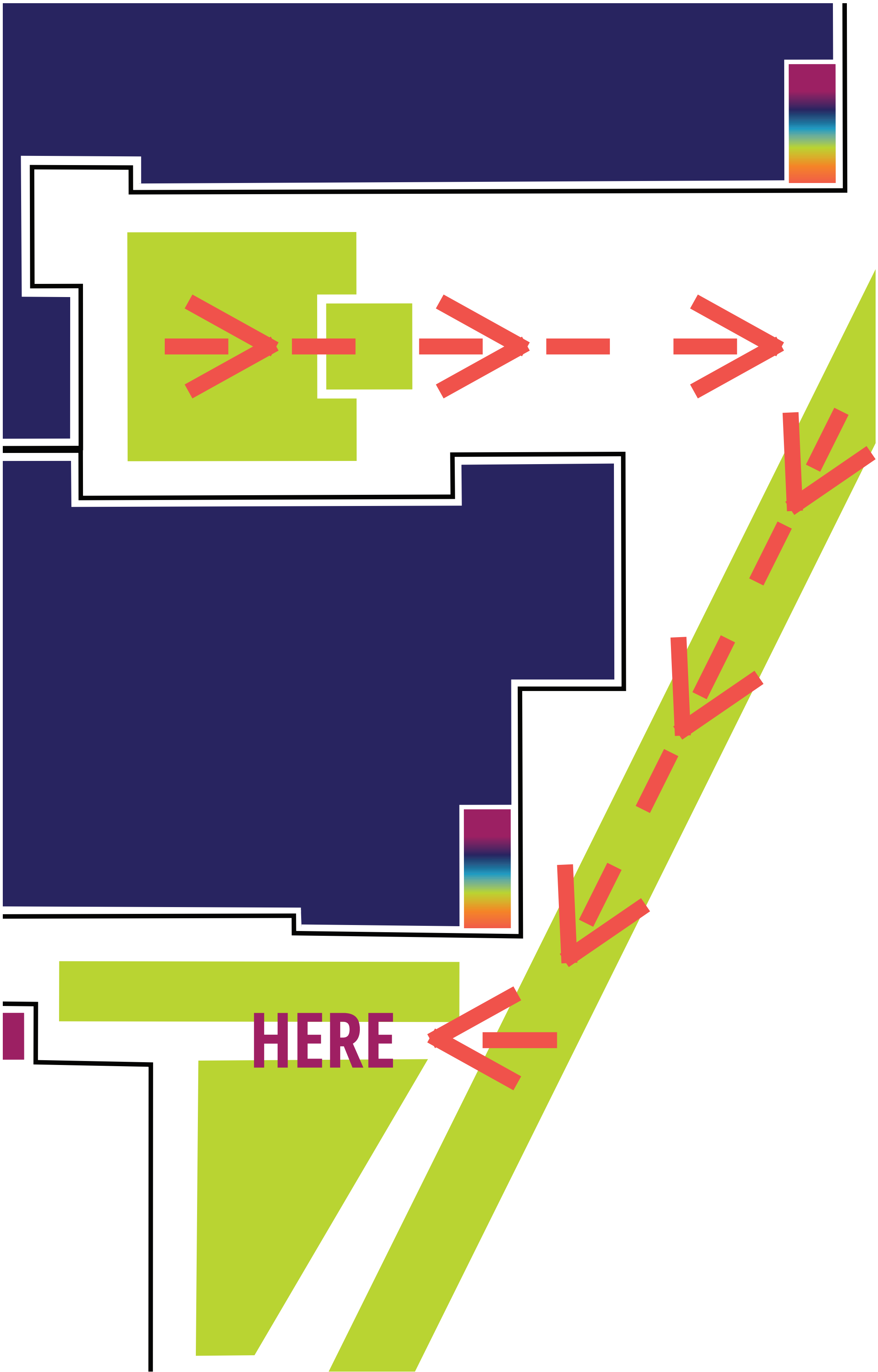
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**Make your way to
Stop #10:
Main Courtyard**



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Walk along the Hutchins Street Garden to conclude the tour in the Dog Park/North Garden.



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Stop #11: North Garden and Dog Park



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*Dog Park made possible by a generous gift
from the late Randall C. Beaman. North
Garden made possible by a generous gift
from the Diana Foundation.*

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!

To make a donation, please visit
bit.ly/grandopeninglawharrington
or text **LGBTQSENIORS**
to **44-321**.

To shop current volunteer
opportunities and to sign-
up to stay in-the-know, fill
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montrosecenter.galaxydigital.com.

ENJOY THE REST OF THE EVENING!



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