Strengthening Families and Transforming Lives

# CREATING REENER RES **5 SUSTAINABLE FEATURES OF THE**

**ROOSEVELT SQUARE COMMUNITY CENTER** 

## CROSS LAMINATED **TIMBER (CLT)**

SOS CHILDREN'S

**ILLINOIS** 

YEARS

**1st public building in** Chicago to utilize CLT

The Roosevelt Square Community Center will set a new standard for sustainable architecture and construction in the City of Chicago as the first public building fully constructed from CLT, a renewable resource and engineered wood.

## **GLULAM COLUMNS &** BEAMS

Pound for pound, stronger than steel

Glued Laminated Timber, or glulam, is a highly innovative construction material made from structurally engineered wood, and it is stronger than steel with a greater strength and stiffness than comparably sized dimensional lumber. Glulam columns and beams are used in the base structure of the community center.

## **SOLAR PANELS**

**ENERGY EFFICIENT APPLIANCES & FIXTURES** 

### Will generate 58% of facilities' power needs

The solar panels will absorb sunlight as a source of energy to generate direct current electricity. The energy output of the solar panels is estimated to generate 58% of the facilities power needs.

#### **Reduce the center's** electric bill by 20%

Energy efficiency over the entire life cycle of a building is the most important goal of sustainable architecture. Both ENERGY STAR certified appliances and energy efficient lighting will save more green in years to come.

## VILLAGE **ECO-SYSTEM**

### **Strengthening families in** a community environment

The center is the hub of the Village eco-system providing family reunification, therapeutic, academic, social, and recreational activities, as well as access to a community garden. The Village creates an environment that nurtures connections to the community.

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