# **A GREENPRINT A BARTNERS**

Getting the most good out of green infrastructure

St. Anne | Student Design Workshop

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We help schools like yours build grant-funded green infrastructure together with students, teachers, and staff.





## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

# St. Anne of the Sunset has been awarded a \$1.5M grant to fund a green schoolyard transformation!



San Francisco Water Power Sewer



# AGENDA

History of Western Sewer Systems **Combined Sewer Systems** What is GSI and Why is it so Great? St. Anne's GSI Plans Student Designers











History of Western Sewer Systems



## Managing water is one of humanity's tough challenges. This includes drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater.













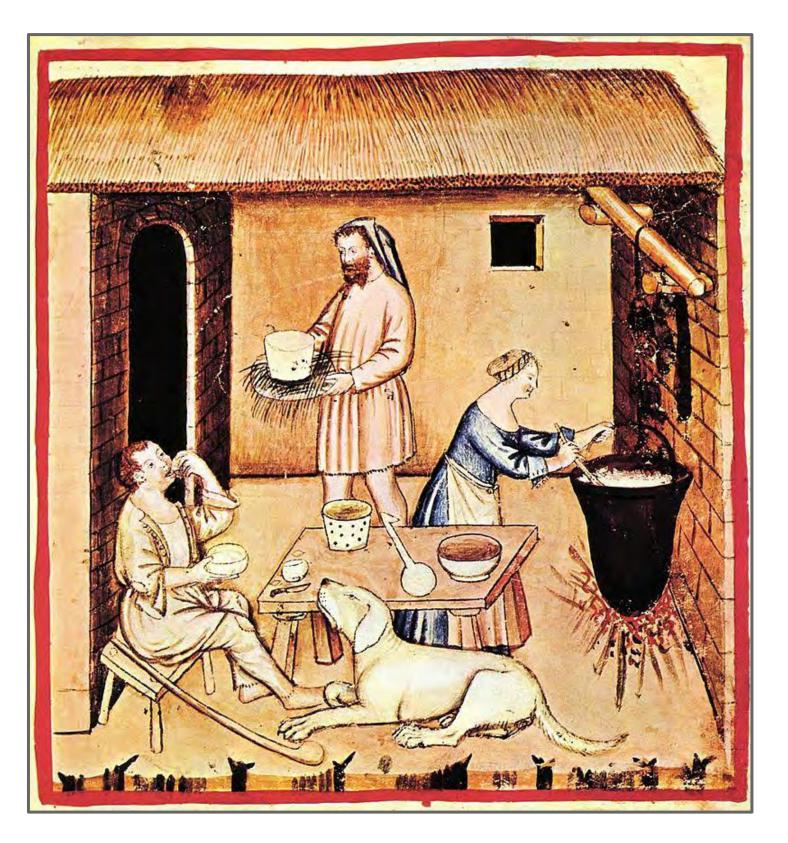


## Stormwater management was left to nature.











## The Great Stink of London was a key turning point for stormwater management and modern sewers.











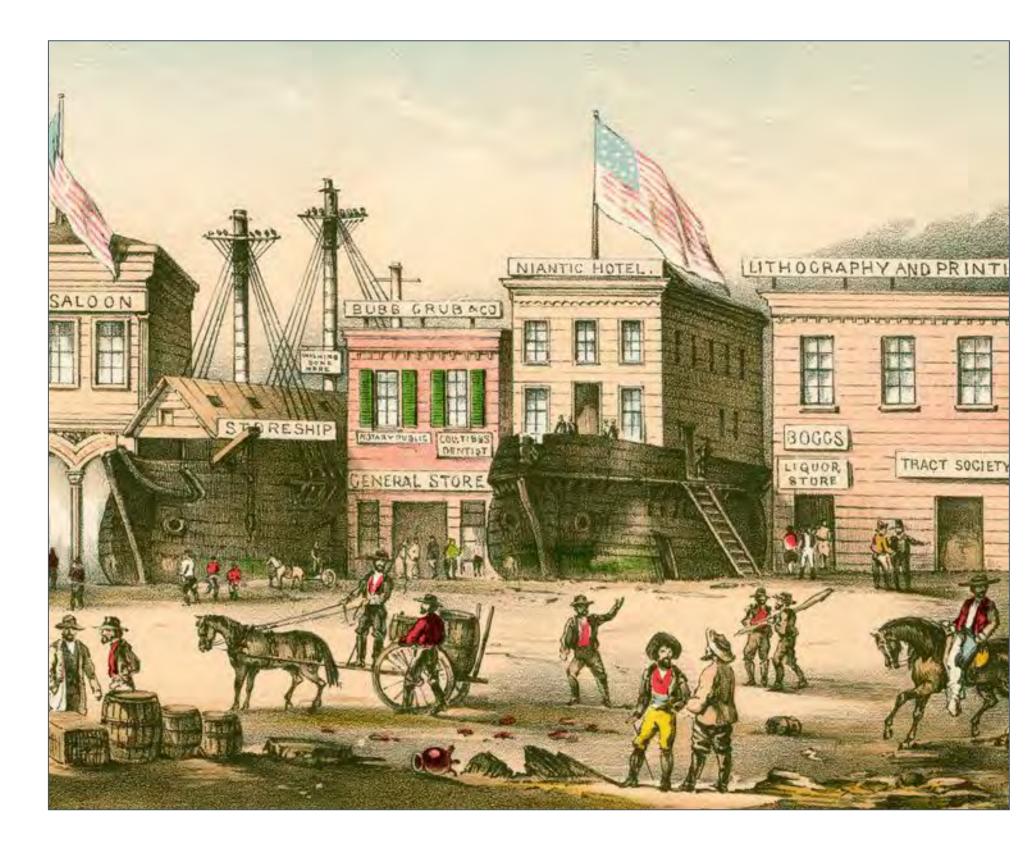






# As cities grew, so did stormwater management problems.

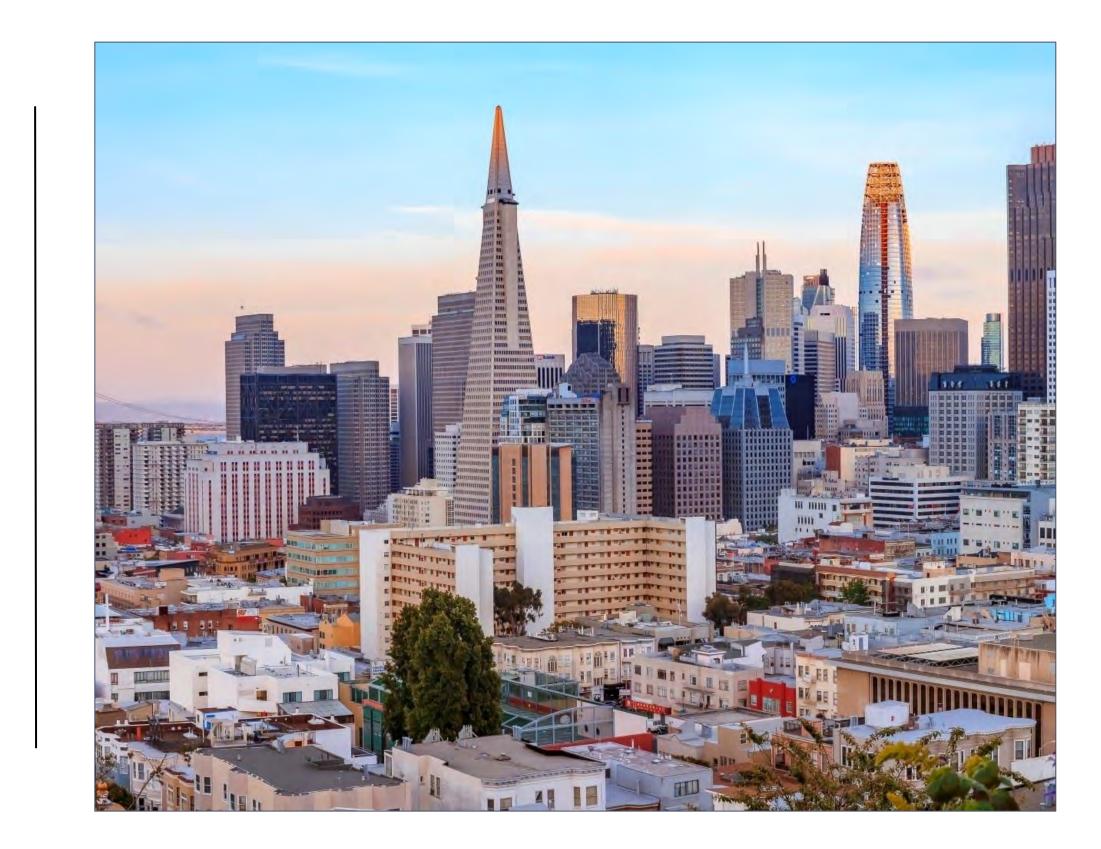
The decrease of natural green spaces and growth of paved surfaces compounded stormwater management problems.



## San Francisco, 1848 Population ~1,000

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## San Francisco, 2020 Population: 873,965



## The Great Stink was solved through better sewers. Draining away wastewater and stormwater saved lives and drastically improved



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people's quality of life.





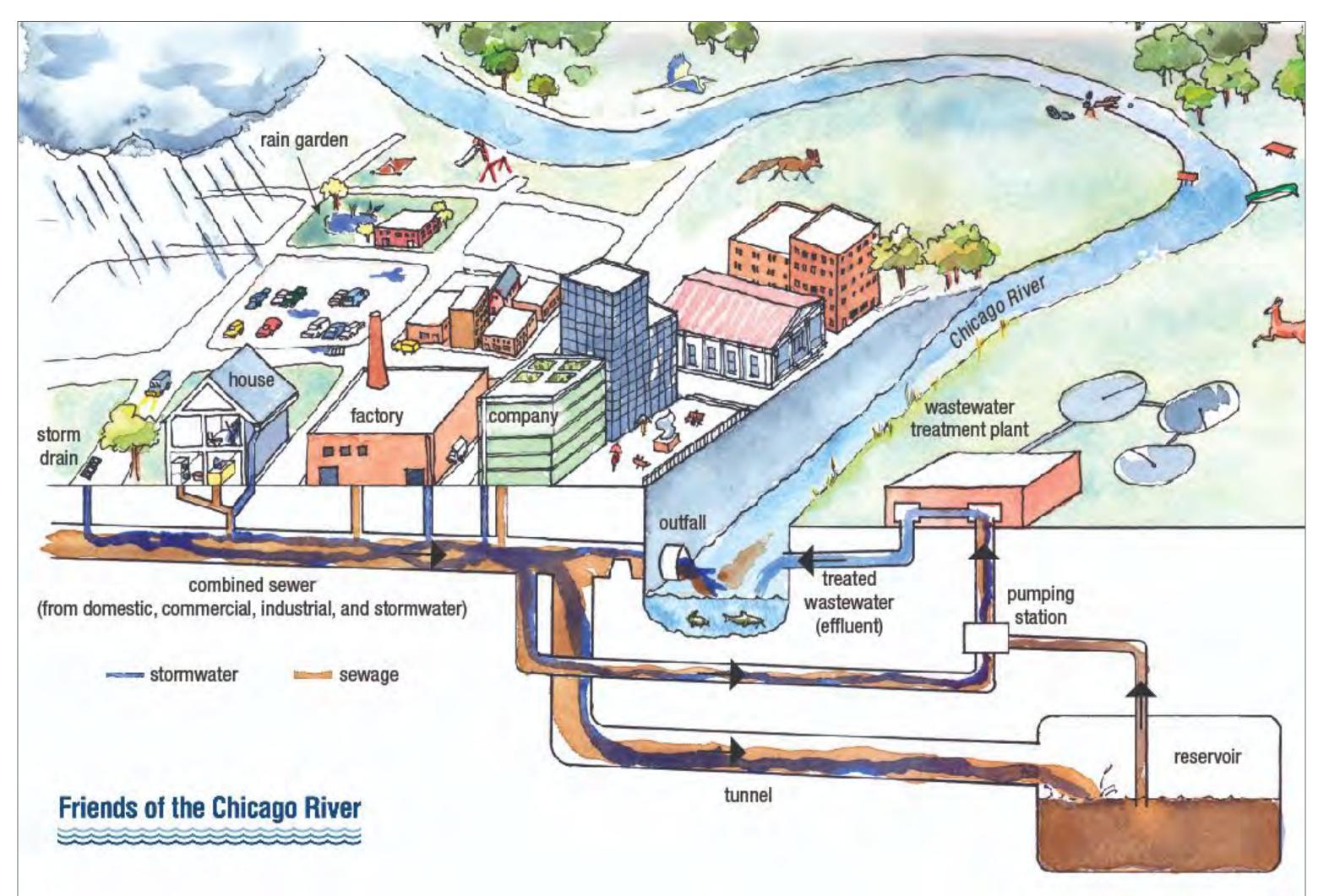




# COMBINED SEWER SYSTEMS



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## Combined sewer systems

These systems collect rainwater, domestic sewage, and industrial wastewater in a combined pipe.



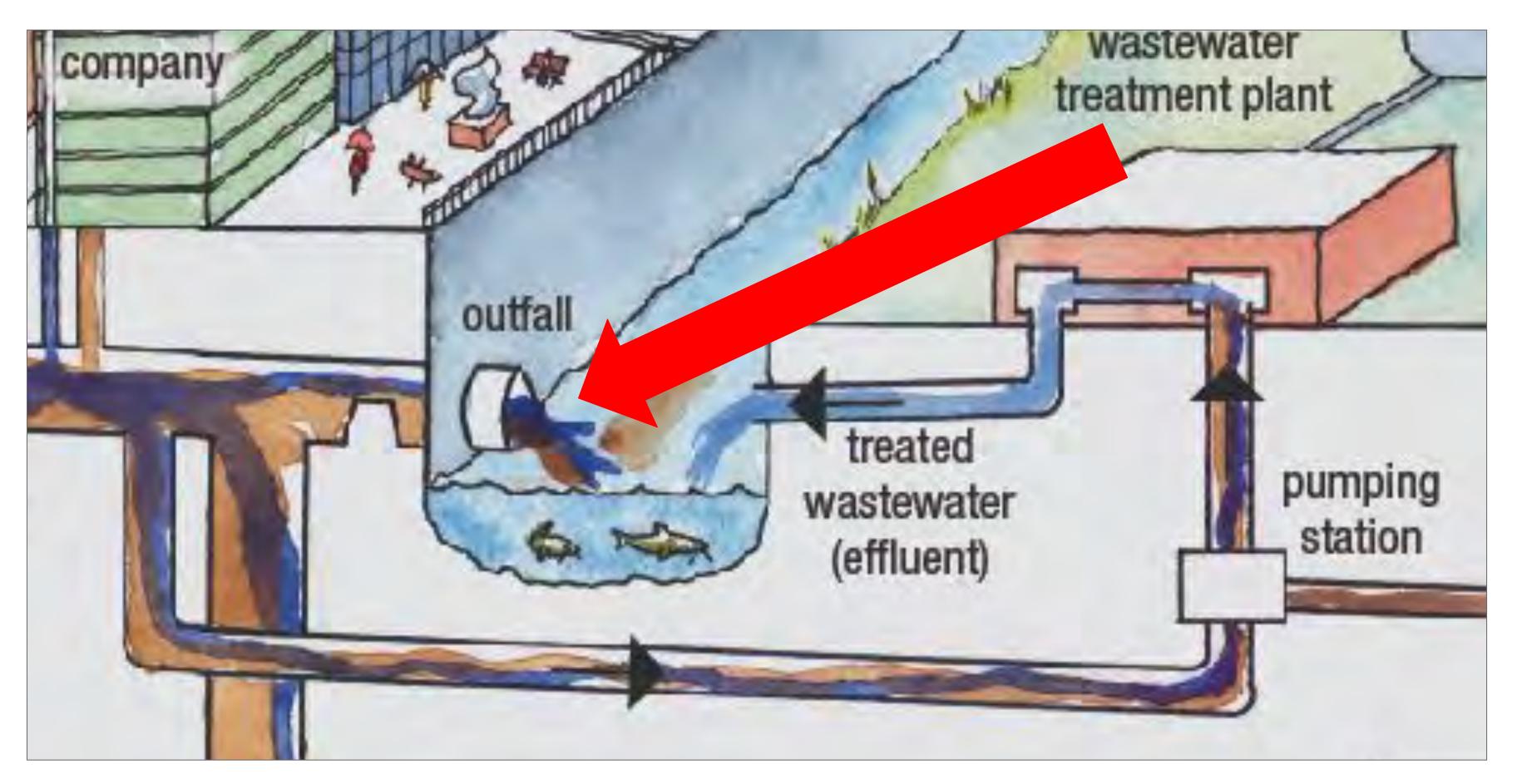






## New century, same problem.

We are still dumping our untreated sewage in our rivers, lakes, bays, and streams!













# Combined sewer overflows are a major problem.



## More local flooding

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Worsening basement leaks

## Increased sewer backups









# Why do combined sewer overflows happen?

The natural water cycle has been disrupted with the growth of development and paved surfaces.













GREEN STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE



# What is green stormwater infrastructure?

Green stormwater infrastructure ("GSI") is the use of vibrant natural systems to manage water where it falls. It uses natural processes of soils and plants to slow, store, and clean stormwater to keep it from overwhelming the sewer system.



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Rain gardens collect stormwater from paved surfaces. The plants absorb and treat polluted water. Rain gardens filter water into the ground or direct it into the sewer system.



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# Rain Gardens











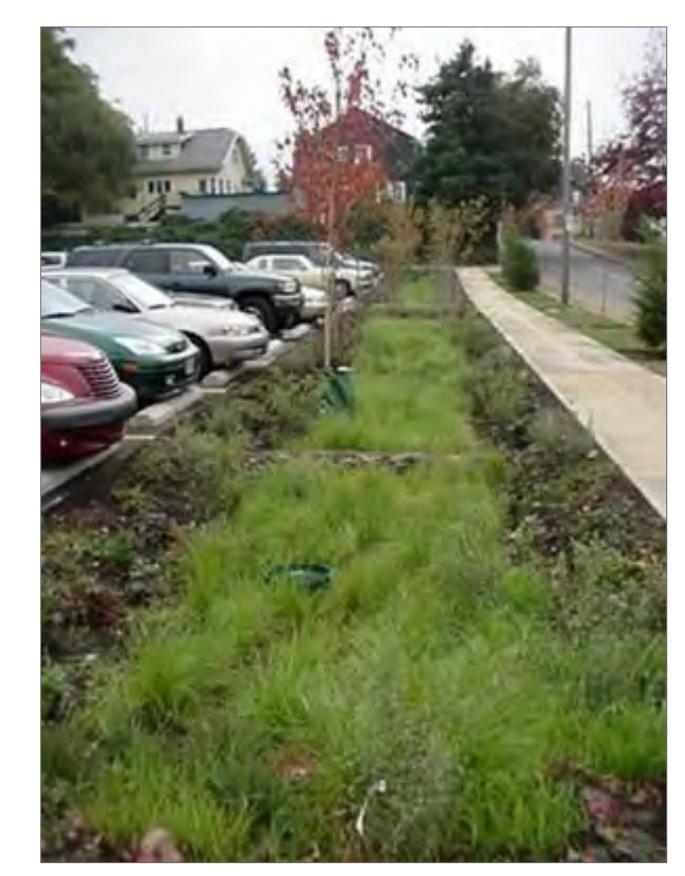
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Stormwater swales are planted ditches that redirect stormwater from paved surfaces. Swale's plants and gravel slow down stormwater, increasing filtration and absorption.



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## Swale





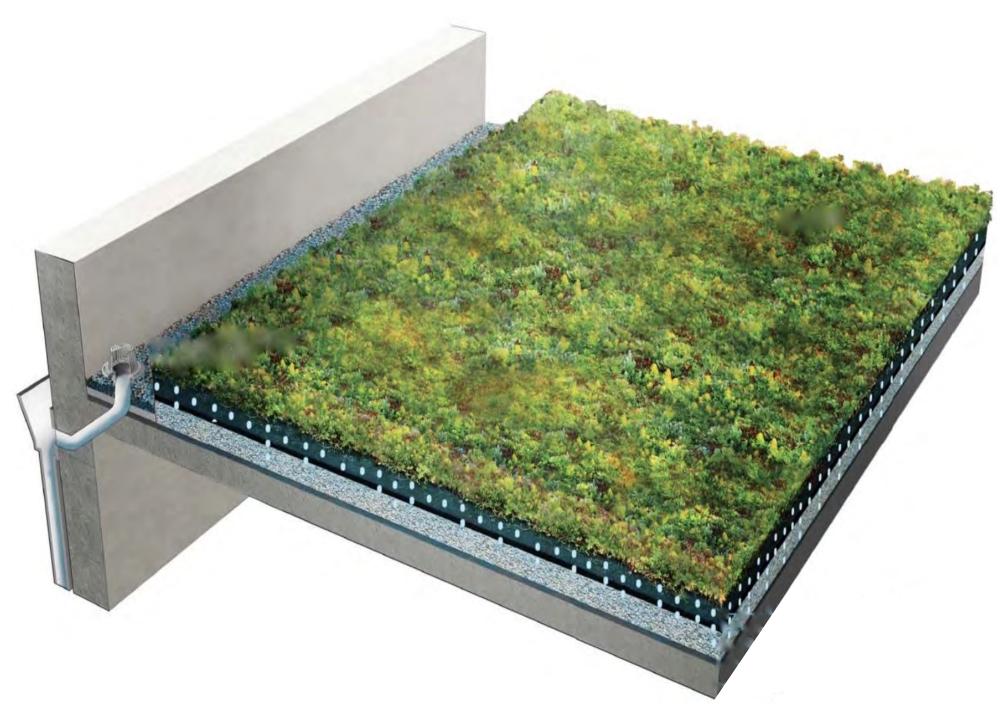






## Green Roof

Green roofs are layered, vegetative systems that include a waterproof layer and engineered soil. Its plants slow down, absorb, and filter stormwater while helping regulate building temperatures.



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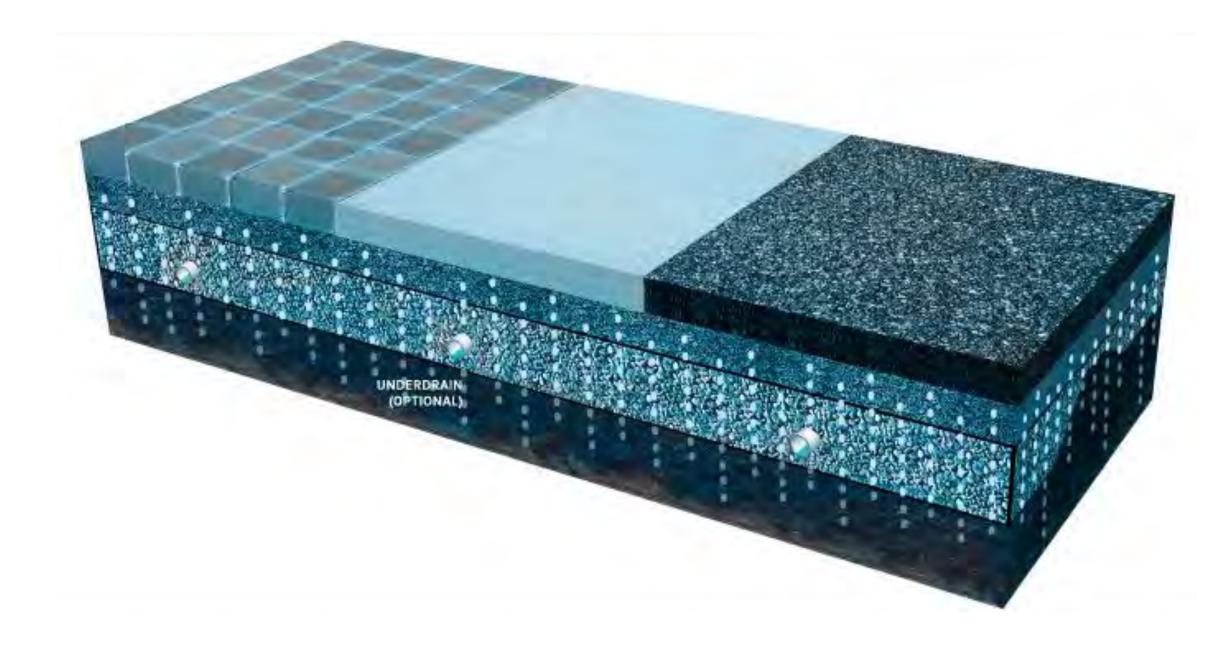






# Permeable Pavement

Permeable pavement is a porous surface system whose tiny holes allow water to soak into the ground below and/or into sewer systems.



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GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE BENEFITS





# TRUE/ FALSE ACTIVITY

giving a thumbs up or down reaction.

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# Please answer the following statements by









# Green stormwater infrastructure doesn't change the way our community looks on the surface.











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# BEAUTY



# Green stormwater infrastructure can help keep our bodies and minds healthy.











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# HEALTHY BODIES + MINDS



## Green stormwater infrastructure has no impact on student achievement.











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# STUDENT SUCCESS



## Green stormwater infrastructure can make the air healthier to breathe.











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# HEALTHIER AIR



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#### BEAUTY

Beautiful, maintained landscaping are placed where people can enjoy the view.



#### **HEALTHY BODIES**

Green infrastructure draws people outside to walk, bike, and play, and get our bodies moving.



#### **PERSONAL SAFETY**

Well maintained green spaces can deter illegal activities, making communities safer.



#### SOCIAL SPACE

Beautiful outdoor gathering places can foster a sense of community and belonging.

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#### **HEALTHY MINDS**

Research shows that rainscaping can help reduce stress and improve mental well-being.



#### **TRAFFIC SAFETY**

Attractive landscaping often slows down drivers which makes the space safer for walkers and bikers.



#### **STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

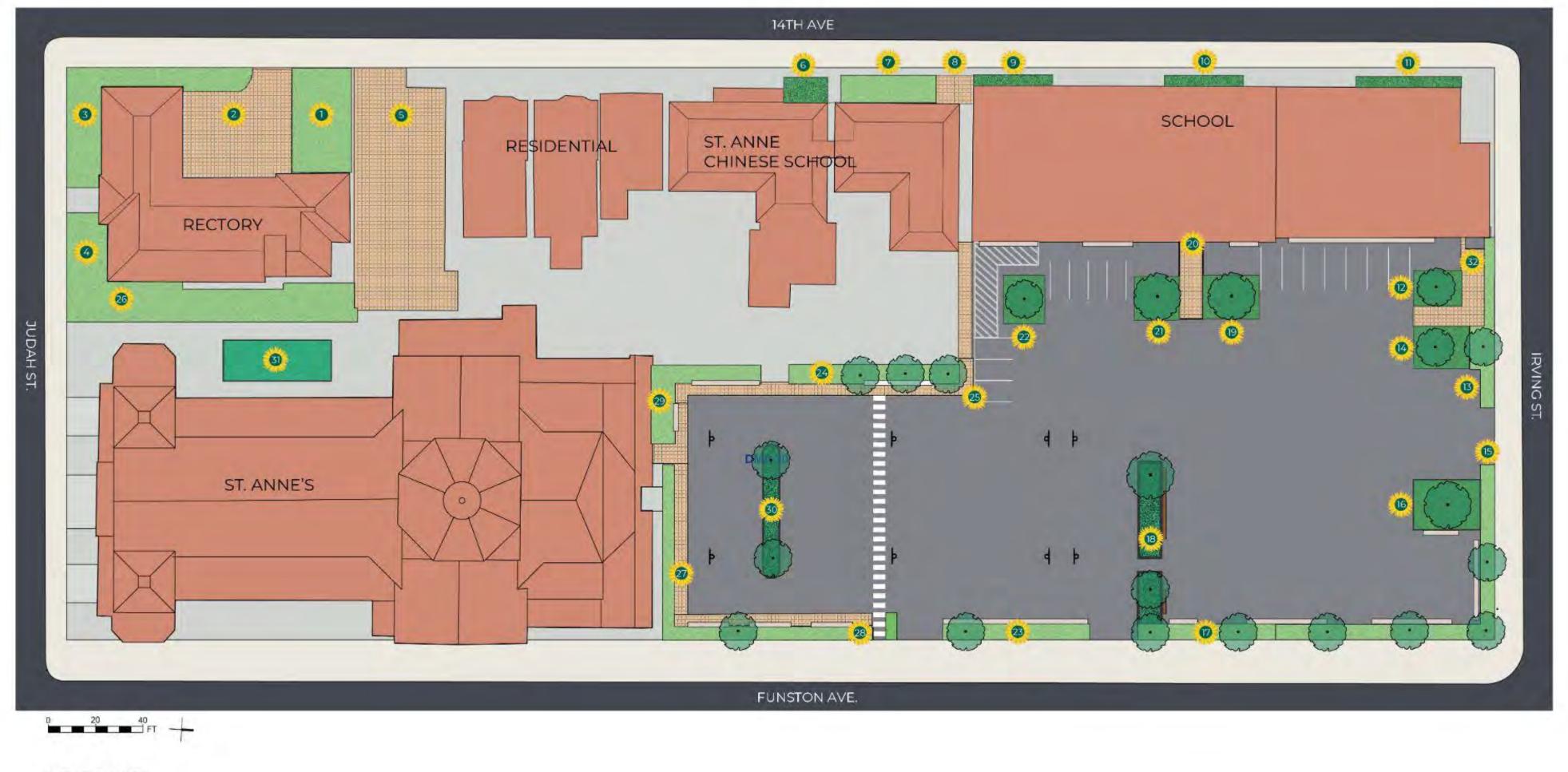
Having views of nature improves student focus and learning.





## YOUR PROJECT



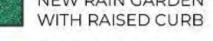


#### LEGEND



INFRASTRUCTURE (GSI) CSI FEATURE TYPES LISTED BELOW NEW RAIN GARDEN

NEW LANDSCAPE



NEW RAIN GARDEN WITHOUT CURB





BASKETBALL HOOPS

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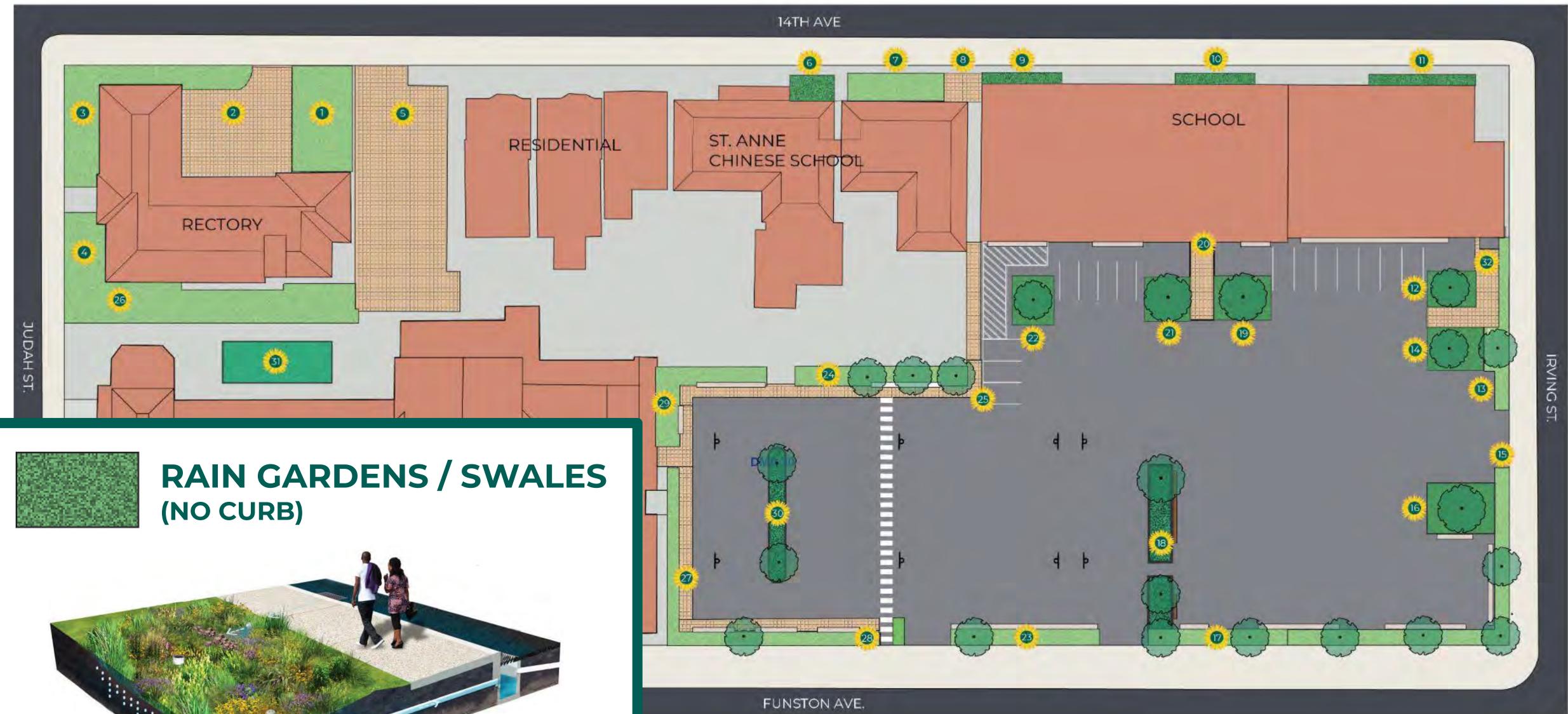
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#### SIDEWALK NEW TREES PARKING LOT BUILDING STREET STEPPING STONES

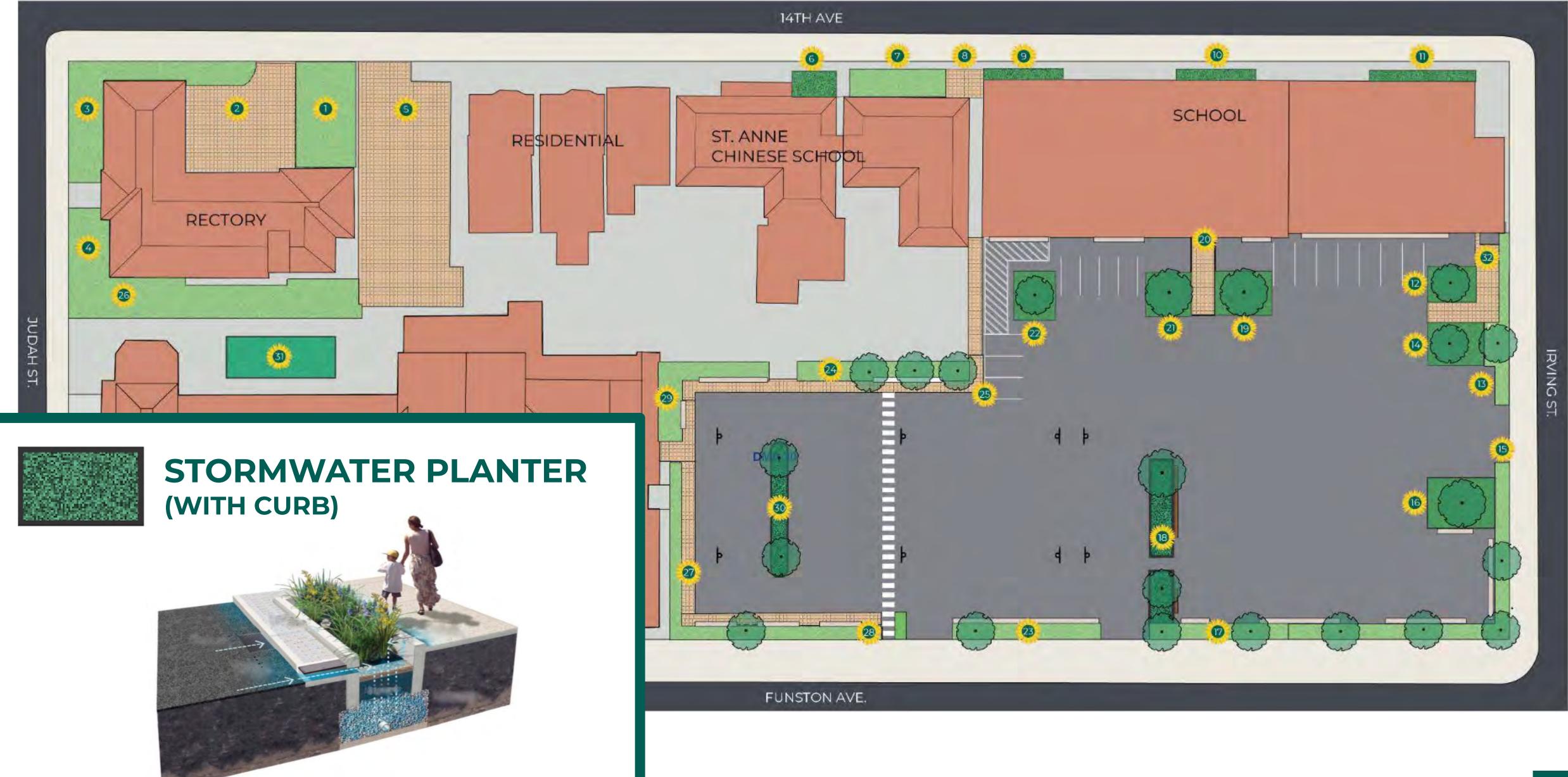
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PERMEABLE PAVEMENT











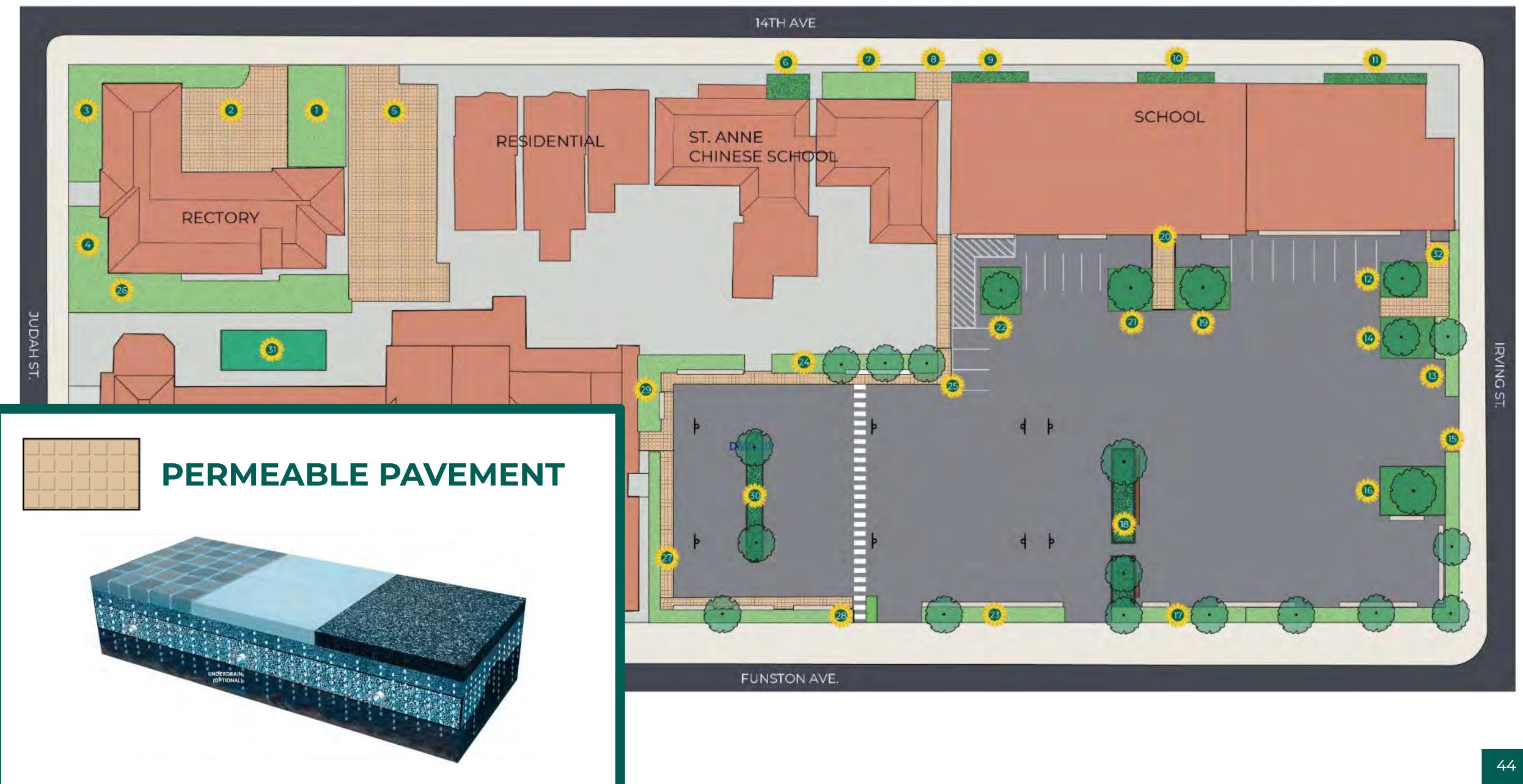












NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO BE THE DESIGNER



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#### Mediterranean Garden



1. Swan Hill Olive (low branching)



2. Blue Gem Coast Rosemary



3. Sunset Rockrose



4. Rosemary



5. Pacific Coast Hybrid Iris



6. Hidcote Superior Lavender



7. Jerusalem Sage

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- 1. Swan Hill Olive Trees don't produce fruit and have 1% of the pollen that other olive trees do.
- 2. Blue Gem Coast Rosemary is an evergreen shrub meaning it has leaves all year round.
- 3. Sunset Rockrose produces a sweet smelling resin that is used in perfumes.
- 4. Rosemary is highly drought toleran, fragrant, and attracts many species of pollinators.
- 5. Pacific Coast Hybrid Irises come in many different colors and are flood and drought tolerant.
- 6. Hidcote Superior Lavender is drought resistant and has a smell known for its calming effects.
- 7. Jerusalem Sage is native to the Middle East, has fuzzy leaves, and is in the mint family.





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### Sensory Garden



1. Southern Magnolia



2. Powis Castle Wormwood



4. Moonshine Yarrow



3. Mexican Bush Sage



5. Salmon Autumn Sage

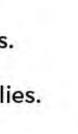


6. Trailing Lantana



7. Foothill Sedge

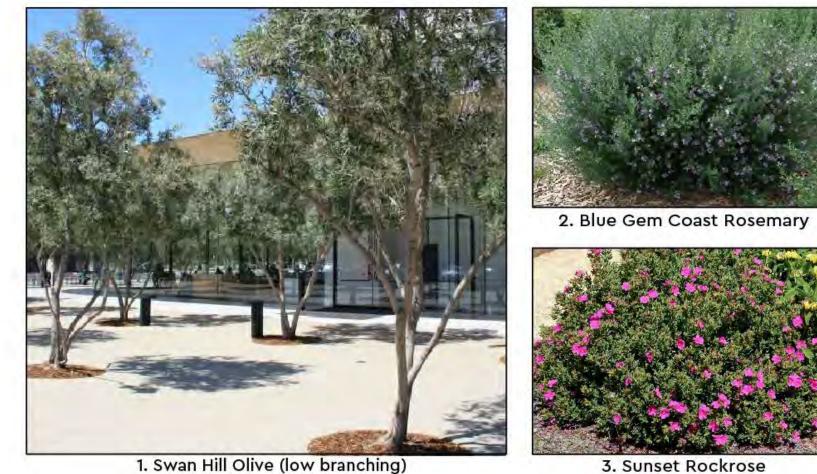
- 1. Southern Magnolia trees have a wonderful sweet aroma that smells a bit like citrus.
- 2. Powis Castle Wormwood has shimmering silver leaves and a sweet aroma.
- 3. Mexican Bush Sage's purple flowers produce nectar that attracts hummingbirds.
- 4. Moonshine Yarrow has medicinal qualities, improves soil health, and repels certain insects.
- 5. Salmon Autumn Sage has a minty aroma and attracts hummingbirds.
- 6. Trailing Lantana produces purple flowers nearly year-round and provides food for butterflies.
- 7. Foothill Sedge seeds provide food for birds.





### Time to Vote!

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### Circle any pollinators or birds you're excited to see.



Anna's Hummingbird



Monarch Butterfly



Western Tiger Swallowtail Butterfly

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Allen's Hummingbird





Anise Swallowtail Butterfly



Cedar Waxwing



## 25,000

bathtubs worth of stormwater managed each year

of water managed is managed by vegetative GSI, letting nature do the work

96%

### IMPACTS

## \$1.5M+

invested into St. Anne site improvements by SFPUC



new trees, adding beauty, shade, and air purification



## Want to get more involved?

### Email <u>Rose@greenprintpartners.com</u> with a **Description About Why** You're Excited for this Project or a **Green Infrastructure Drawing** One or more submissions may be highlighted in the public materials!

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