

CHILD SAVINGS INSTITUTE

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Initial site visit: January 14-15, 2007
Approximate square footage: 22,000

PILOT SITE OVERVIEW



Program Overview:

For over 100 years, Child Saving Institute has facilitated healing for children and families in crisis. At its core, CSI exists to help children and families. They provide emergency services to children and teens in crisis, and offer therapy for physically and sexually abused children. Additionally, CSI is a community leader in preventive family education, preservation and child care. The child care program is accredited by NAEYC.

Ages served: Infants, Toddlers, Preschoolers
Number of children served: 91-120
Serve children with Special Needs: Yes
Serve low income children: Yes (35%)
Number of staff: 21

From their application:

CSI is in the process of a major reconstruction, including the design and development of a new childcare playground area. CSI's child care center serves between 25% and 33% low income children. Many of these children live in apartments, or in areas of the city that have little green space and lots of concrete or are not safe for outdoor play. An outdoor classroom at CSI would have extensive use beyond that of the children in the child care center. The children in the emergency shelter would benefit from a natural space to play, read, explore and engage in therapeutic group learning.



**SUMMER,
2007**

**South
section**



Water feature



Entrance/gathering area



Climbing area



Nature Art table under construction



Climbing structure



Building area



Outdoor storage



Wheeled toy path



Messy materials area



**Building
& Animal
Imprints**



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Water Feature



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Scarves Area



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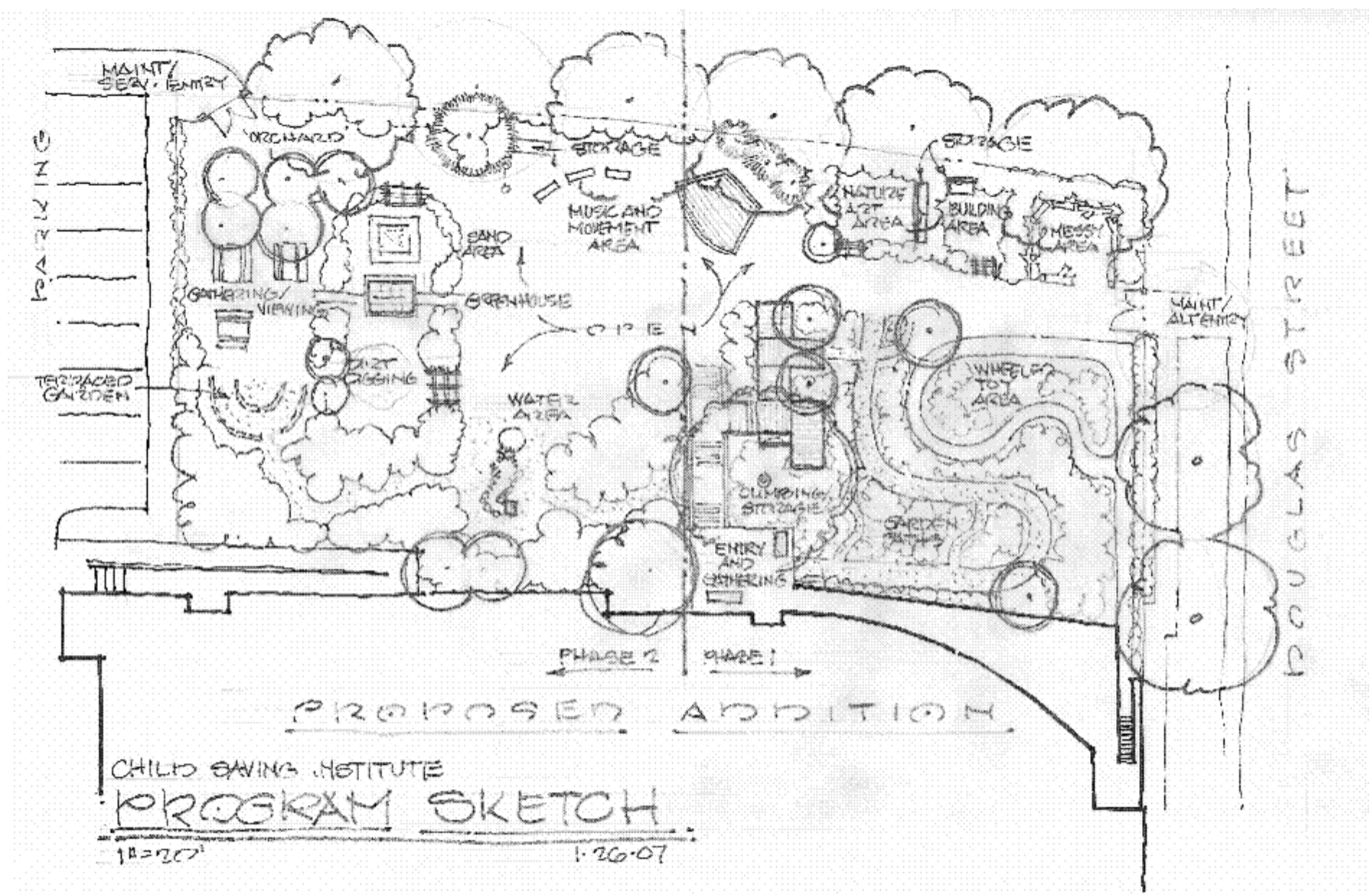


**Planting the Garden
Summer, 2008**



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