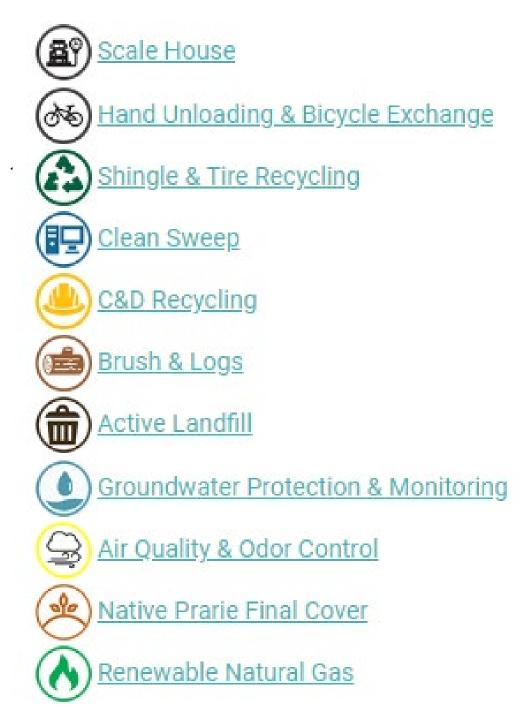
A SUSTAINABILITY CAMPUS FOR DANE COUNTY A hub for recreation, environmental education, renewable energy, and innovation of circular economies. May 24, 2021





Providing environmentally-sound and sustainable waste management and renewable energy solutions for current Dane County residents and future generations.



Planning for the future has begun. Currently in the vertical expansion process to extend the life or Rodefeld Landfill.

2021

2023

2027

2030

If a new site was secured, waste diversion could begin with organics, mattresses and other waste streams.

Rodefeld site closes without a vertical expansion.

Estimated maximum site life of Rodefeld Landfill.

Current Status

- 1. Dane County's Landfill is anticipated to reach capacity by 2030
- 2. It can take as much as 10 years, or more, to obtain a permit for a new site. Formally starts with site surveys and data collection.
- In discussions with the City about Yahara Hills Golf Course as the home for future Sustainability Campus

Old Paradigm

New Paradigm

Reimaging Landfill sites as Integrated Waste Management Hubs

Traditional Landfill

Waste is a Liability

Minimal Business Activities

Zero Energy Generation

No cultural or social significance, a place to avoid

Integrated Waste Management

Waste is a Resource

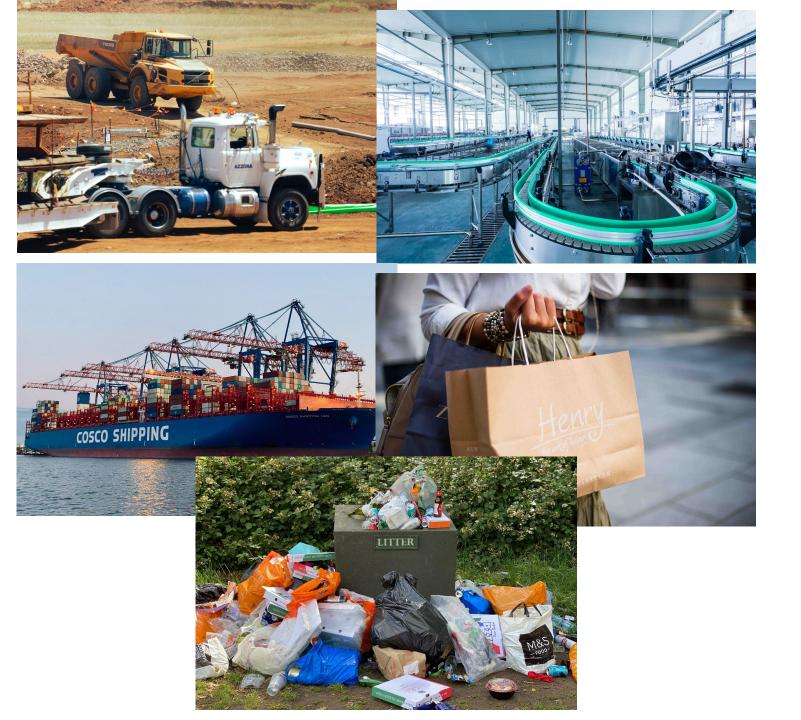
Prosperous Center for Business

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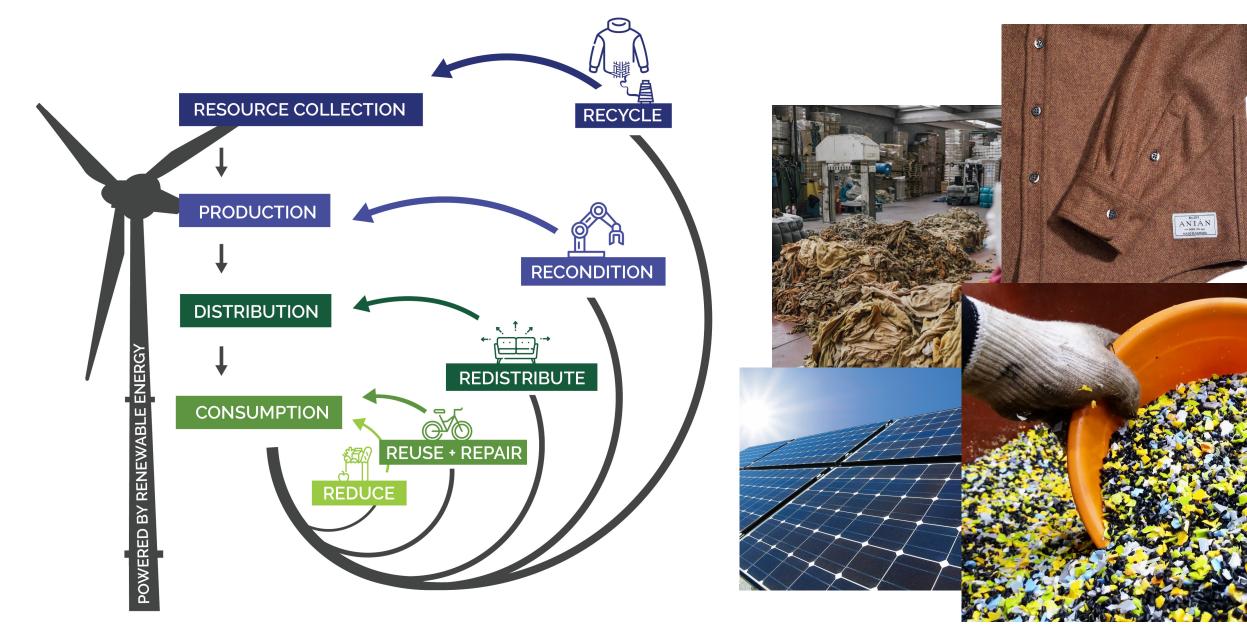
Innovative social hubs, a place to recreate and learn

LINEAR ECONOMY MODEL





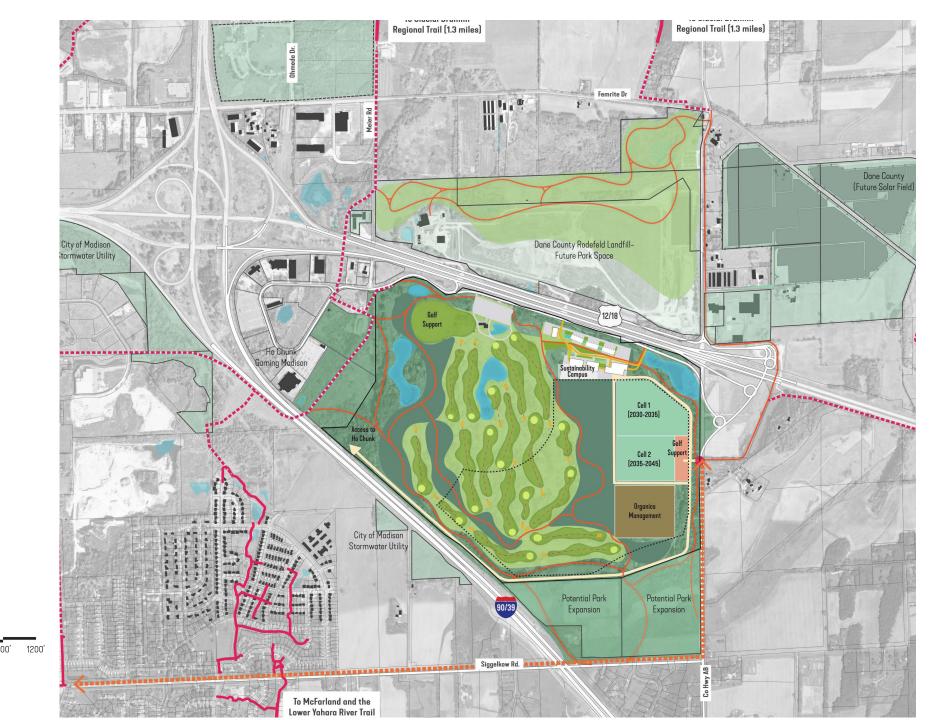
CIRCULAR ECONOMY MODEL



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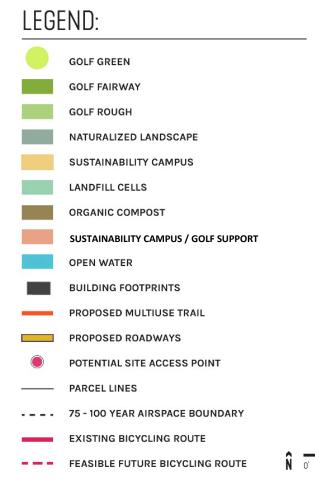
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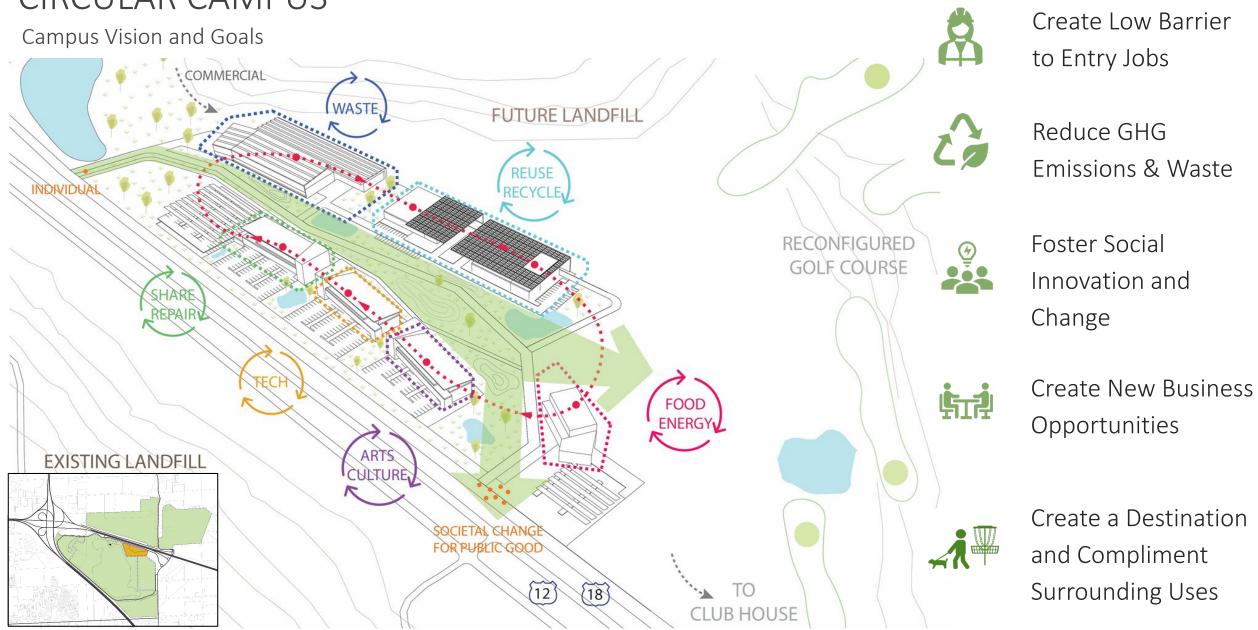
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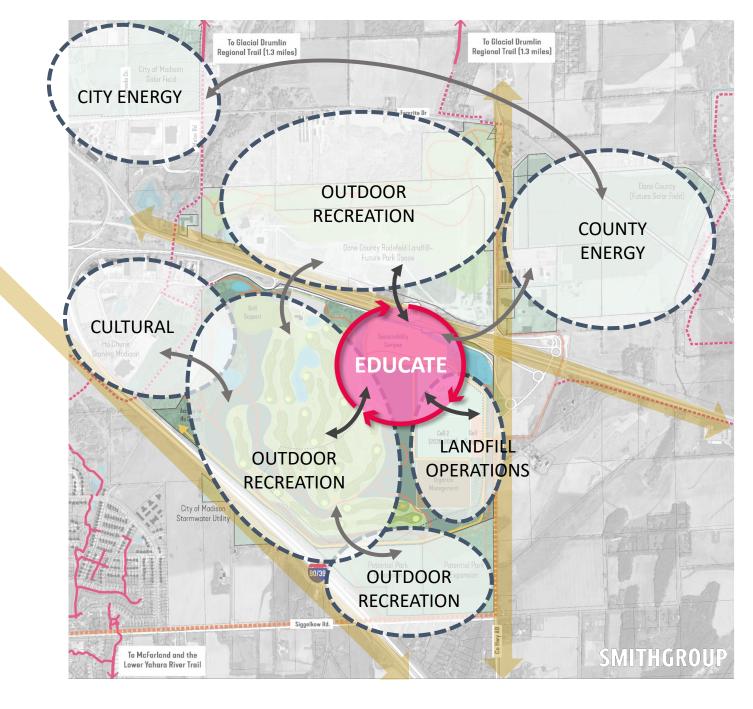


CIRCULAR CAMPUS



Campus as a holistic and long term vision

- Site has potential to serve our community for +100 years.
 Requires planning so that the site can grow and adapt to fit future need.
- 2. Although construction may not begin for 8-10 years, the W&R infrastructure will be built and serve as a the anchor to the campus.
- All elements of the campus must consider goals of the neighbors and the community





US Municipalities Laying the Groundwork

Kent County, Michigan

- 250 acre business park
- RFP responses received fall 2020 ۲

Phoenix, Arizona

Zero waste by 2050 through education, PPPs, and enhanced recycling services

Austin, Texas

- Zero waste by 2040
- Materials marketplace to connect for reuse
- Lessons learned: [Re]Manufacturing Hub

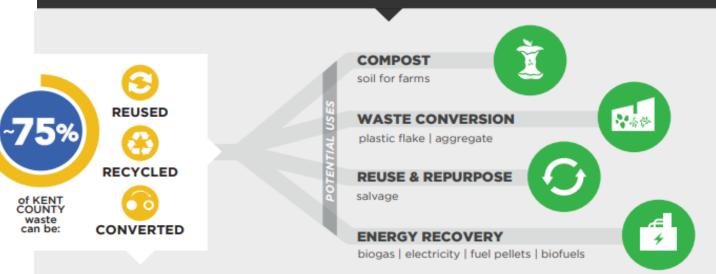
WHAT WE COULD BE DOING

REDUCE LANDFILL WASTE OUR GOAL: 20% by 2020 | 90% by 2030



DEPARTMENT OF

200-ACRE SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS PARK



Potential Public, Private and Nonprofit Partners of the Proposed Sustainable Business Park







RECREATION

8 HEALTH

STARTUPS 8 ENTREPRENEUR

Other Local Leaders



La Crosse County, Wisconsin

- Business park surrounding the Landfill, Habitat Restore is one tenant
- Recreational trails and environmental education

Outagamie County, Wisconsin

 Resource Recovery Park with drop off area designed to capture more materials from the waste stream

Opportunity: Mattress Recycling



- Currently accept over 20,000 mattress each year
- Bulky items result in +\$200,000 of lost potential revenue annually
- Springs recycled as scrap metal, wood frames create landscaping mulch, cotton used in industrial oil filters and foam paddings turns into carpet underlay
- Policy considerations: mattress stewardship ordinance or ban from landfill disposal

Opportunity: Co-Location of a Reuse Store



- Divert materials for higher better use Top of the Recycling Pyramid
- High visibility location and existing traffic/potential customers
- Local and Global Examples:
 - Habitat for Humanity
 - RETUNA (pictured)
 - Urban Ore, Last Chance Mercantile, Deconstruction Inc
- Policy Considerations:
 Deconstruction Ordinance and Building Materials Resale

Opportunity: Organics and Food Waste



- Dedicated area for organics and food waste management
- Start with composting
- Secure the feedstock and continue to assess feasibility of a regional scale digester
- Place for workshops education, possibility of a community garden
- Policy considerations: food waste/organics landfill ban – but would this be effective at a county level?

Opportunity: Circular Plastics



Post consumer plastic waste (15.3% of current)







Pellet or flake can be used to make new products.



Film and other plastics can be converted to fuel through pyrolysis

Local Stakeholders



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