







DOG POD #1 Campaign

Help us build a place of love, safety, and healing for the sanctuary dogs!



Our Vision for the CFC Dogs

We have learned a lot in 35 years and this experience and understanding is incorporated into the design features of the Dog Pod.

We have chosen the Biotekt Biophilic Earth
Structure for our dogs. We feel it can
accommodate our design needs as well as
provide an energy efficient building. It offers a
more budget friendly option than
conventional construction and is produced
with recycled materials.

Limit number of dogs in each Pod to 10-12 in order to keep stress and noise to a minimum. This is critical to the mental/emotional health of the dogs.

Access to fresh air and spacious yards in which to play and relax. Inside areas offer comfortable sleeping spaces protected from all extremes of weather.

Energy efficient to save on heating and cooling expenses. Low maintenance building that can withstand the ever-changing climate conditions.

Use of dog-proof and soundproof materials for floors and walls. Areas designed for ease of cleaning.

Each building will be selfsufficient and provide a space for all aspects of care such as feeding, medical, grooming, and adoption meet & greets.

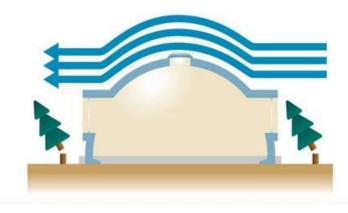
Biotekt: Biophilic Earth Structures

The new way to build: high tech composites made from recycled materials and structured earth berming systems are in a class of their own in the modern housing and building industry. Materials that will last for centuries with no sign of decay and architecture that responds to the environment perfectly are creating a new paradigm shift in construction techniques.



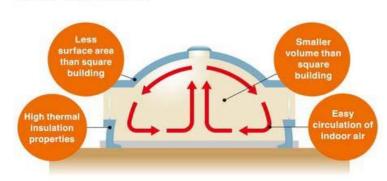
Resistance to Strong Winds

The streamlined shape of the dome protects it from direct wind. Moreover, the legs of the pieces are buried securely in the foundation, so it can withstand even very violent typhoons.



Energy Saving Building

The high thermal insulation properties protect it from the impact of outside temperatures, so it has the energy-saving effect of allowing indoor temperature control with less energy. Moreover, the dome shape makes heat loss very small, further increasing the energy-saving effect.



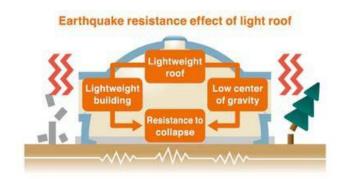
Energy Efficient

Climate Resilient

Affordable

Earthquake Resistant

The Dome House is extremely lightweight and has a low center of gravity, so it is much less likely to collapse than regular buildings. Additionally, the simple structure has no columns, so the roof will not cave in. Even in heavy tremors, the space inside remains safe.



Low Cost

The Dome House is made of prefabricated pieces, so it is a simple structure with a small number of parts. The parts are lightweight and easy to transport, so it can easily be assembled even in narrow spaces. Construction can be completed in a very short period of time by a small number of people.



Shipping

Modular Components

Simple Assembly









Foundation



Insulation









Earth Cover

Vegetation

Completion





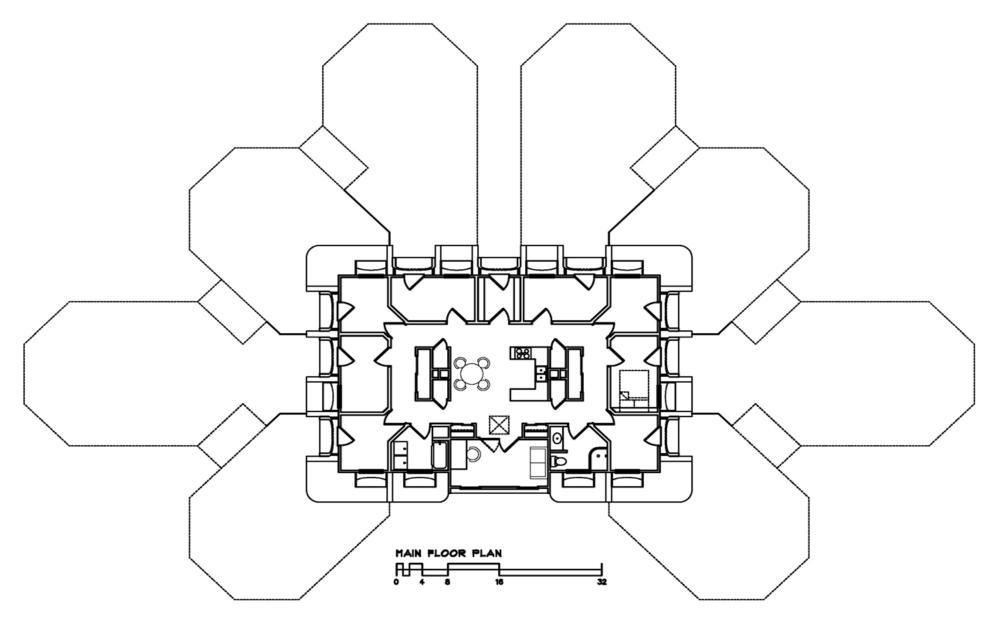




MasterPlan - Phase 1 Dog POD #1

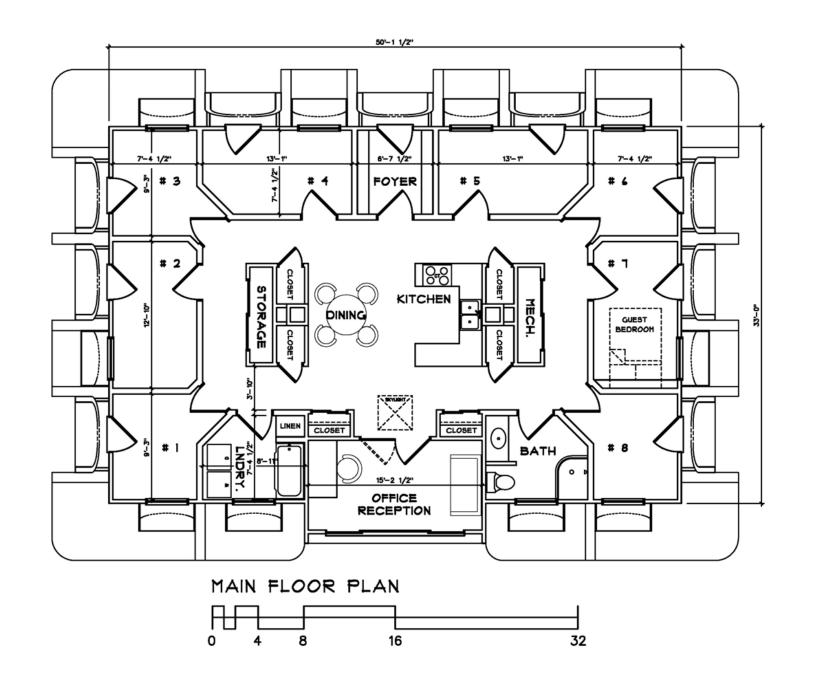






Floor Plan with Fencing

Floor Plan 1,650 s.f. **8 Dog Rooms** Kitchen Bathroom Laundry **Grooming Area Guest Room** Office/Reception & Adoption Area



Dog Pod #1 Interior Cutaway



Dog Pod #1 Structural Shell



Dog Pod #1 Finished Earth Cover



Dog Pod #1 Front Entry



Dog Pod #1 Interior









Dog Pod #1 Interior









Aerial Views Of Existing Facilities









A Glimpse Toward the Future

The Caring For Creatures Master Plan includes a total of four Dog Pods providing space for approximately 50 dogs. In addition, we envision an onsite Medical Clinic for the sanctuary residents and to provide low-cost spay/neuter surgeries for community members and rescue groups.

As we continue to move forward, additional administrative and volunteer space will also be needed to accommodate the growing staff and offer a central area for volunteers to check in and begin their tasks or work on fundraising activities. Small guest residences will provide space to accommodate staff during times of weather emergencies as well as a temporary living area for working students in the animal care field as well as out-of-town volunteers/supporters arriving to help complete large projects and spend time with the animals.

Caring For Creatures is committed to creating an environment of compassionate care for the animals who come to the sanctuary. We invite you to join us on this journey to provide second chances to animals with nowhere else to go, and to more fully understand and appreciate the true role our animal companions play in our lives.

Aerial view of main facility with the 4 Dog Pods



Phase 1: Dog Pod #1

Phase 2:
Dog Pod #2
and
Courtyard
Fountain









Phase 3: Dog Pod #3 and Dog Pod #4









Financial Information & General Timeline

Financial

We estimate the overall costs to create Dog Pod #1 to be between \$550,000-\$600,000, depending on the costs of materials and labor at the time of construction.

Caring For Creatures has received commitments totaling over \$300,000 which is half of our \$600,000 goal. All gifts to the Dog Pod #1 Campaign will be deposited into a separate Money Market account and will be restricted to this capital project.

Naming opportunities are available and will be discussed with donors privately.

General Construction Timeline

The lead time for factory production is approximately two months, plus one month for international shipping.

The time for building on site is typically somewhat less than for conventional construction averaging 4-6 months depending upon the size of structure.

The Biotekt system is Designed and Engineered to comply with all National and local Building Codes.



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