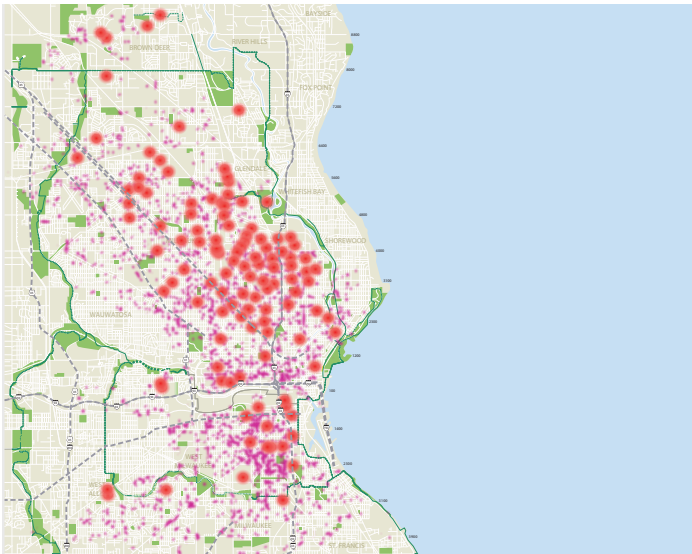


# Healing Trauma, Healthy Communities Conference

## How Healing Environments Become a Tool and Sustain Healing Programming

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Milwaukee County Homicide + Opioid Overdose Map



Veterans Memorial Building - Behavioral Health Room



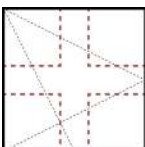
VAHEDG Courtyard Diagram



DuSable Urban Ecology Sanctuary

An abundance of evidence supports how healing environments create efficiency across health systems and promotes well-being. In an effort to promote health equity, the time is now to integrate architecture and health in an effort to promote and sustain well-being for all across the lifespan. As evidence, the Department of Veteran Affairs has created a Healing Environment Design Guideline to create efficiencies for the healing of the mind, body and spirit of nine million Veterans and their families. The Healing Environment Design Guideline will direct the design and construction for all VA medical centers, outpatient clinics and long-term living facilities.

Alt Architecture and Research Associates has partnered with the Institute of Medicine of Chicago to promote healing environments that will uniquely integrate physical and mental health care for all. For information about how guidelines have supported the VA medical centers, outpatient programs, living facility and schools, please contact: Paul Alt at 312.265.0166 or Cheryl Irmiter, PhD at 312.709.2685



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