



Hennis Care Centres of Ohio | Dover Campus



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SMITH\GreenHealth Firm Profile

SMITH\GreenHealth Consulting, LLC is a landscape architecture consulting practice based in Columbus, Ohio that focuses on sustainable sites, therapeutic landscapes and campus master planning.

“We see human health and well being as a part of, not apart from, the sustainability equation in the Green Movement, particularly in environments where the known benefits of nature play such an important role in positive health outcomes.”

– Jerry Smith, FASLA, Owner and Principal, SMITH\GreenHealth.

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Introduction

The Hennis Care Centre of Dover is the first care facility started by the Hennis family and maintained for three generations. Located in the heart of the City of Dover, Ohio, the facility was originally constructed in the 1960's and has undergone major renovations and expansion projects. The newest expansion will be the addition of the Small House adjacent to the property, formerly the personal residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hennis.

The goal for this master plan is to create a more therapeutic environment for residents and staff, increasing both physical and visual access to nature. Gateways, walkways, garden areas and greenspace will all be reviewed and assessed for hardscape and landscape improvements. Seating areas with shade will be designed to encourage outdoor usage for exercise and outdoor respite. Outdoor gathering spaces will be assessed for access, safety and ease of circulation, wayfinding and landscaping.

Hennis Care Centre of Dover will begin construction of the renovation of the Hennis residence into the first Small House in the Hennis Care Centres family of facilities. The landscape scope of work is defined below, as are the associated areas of landscape improvement projects for the Dover facility.

Improving the therapeutic and rehabilitative environment will be the outcome of this planning study, which will identify individual projects to be implemented over time. The overall campus will be assessed for beauty and sense of pride for residents and staff. Hennis Care Centres of Ohio has determined that these site improvements will be representative of the quality of care that is provided at the Dover and Bolivar campuses.

Design and Construction Projects

Gateway and Arrival

- The Gateway monument sign should be located on the NW Corner of North Cross and East 17th Street. As at Bolivar, the Gateway signage should consist of a low brick wall with the raised metal letters and logo, similar to the high brick wall signage near the Dover entrance. Lighting and mixed foundation plantings included.

Small House Drive/Drop-Off

- The new Small House entry drive off of East 17th Street will provide a separate front door drop-off to the new Small House from the larger Hennis community and traffic. The drive should have a residential 'circular driveway' appearance to it, and could include a few ADA parking spaces near Cross Street, reducing more traffic/parking on Cross.



Design and Construction Projects ...continued

Small House Patio and Grill

- Located in the existing pool area, the Patio and Grill should be a communal area for social interaction and gatherings for the residents. A 'backyard' character with patio furnishings, movable seating, grill and water feature will be part of this character. Paved areas will be balanced with shade trees and flowering plants to give residents a garden of their own.

Small House Vegetable Garden

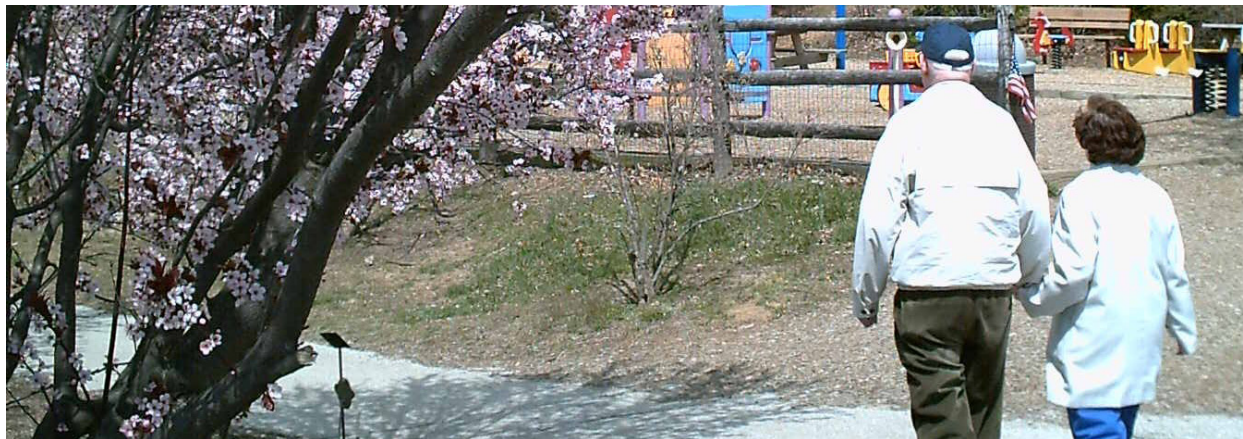
- A vegetable garden will be designed for the east side yard of the Small House, near the garden shed along the east property line. This garden will be planned by the residents and incorporated as part of the therapy program, with time allocated for staff to assist in the garden work – also proven to be healthy therapy for staff well-being.



Design and Construction Projects ...continued

Rehabilitation Walk

- The Rehabilitation Walk will renovate the existing walkway between the new Small House and the existing north resident wing of the facility into a therapeutic concourse. This shaded area will be designed to provide mobility challenges that simulate actual conditions of everyday experiences, such as inclines, stairs, various paving changes, etc. Benches for rest along the walk as well as for group seating for therapy sessions will be included.



Outpatient Canopy Enhancements

- The west end of the canopy seating area is a favorite gathering area for the residents, with its new fountain. New evergreen plantings are recommended as a backdrop to this place of respite to screen the asphalt parking and drive. Three (3) existing parking spaces to be replaced and asphalt removed to allow for a new planting bed and vegetative screen.

Design and Construction Projects ...continued

Trellis Patio Renovation and Expansion

- The north Patio Grill area is the largest outdoor gathering space on campus and serves multiple functions throughout the year. The wood trellis, while providing much needed shade, functionally crowds the floor space and limits use. Chairs and tables remain stacked during times of non-functional use, preventing residents from opting to use the patio on a leisurely basis. Possible renovation strategies should be considered:
- Remove part of the low planter wall to widen the access to the lawn area.
- Extend new paving beyond the planter wall to create a larger and more open gathering space.
- More permanent, non-stackable seating areas will provide 3-season use for residents, visitors and staff.
- New trees and plantings, including climbing vines for the trellis and replace the overgrown specimens.
- Incorporate a water feature into the new design.



Design and Construction Projects ...continued

New West Patio and Walkway

- A new west patio will replace the small concrete pad and painted fence outside the west entrance. With a new walkway connecting it to the rest of the campus, this shaded area overlooking the church playground and playfields will provide a quiet respite and gathering area for residents and staff. The views of the play fields are beautiful and the shade from the large trees is perfect. With minimal improvements, this area could be a jewel of the facility.



Design and Construction Projects ...continued

Programmed Patios and Walkways

- Three (3) outdoor patios along the north façade of the facility are connected by a common walkway, extending from the Trellis Patio to the Homestead Gate.
 1. The Dining Room Patio is just outside the dining room, and closely connected to the expanded Trellis Patio. Too small for outdoor dining, this paved area could be made larger to accommodate a few seating clusters for after meal discussions or coffee.
 2. The Therapy Patio is mostly used for crafts as opposed to physical therapy, but could be expanded to accommodate other activities as programmed.
 3. The Staff Patio is screened from resident's views, but may not be the most accommodating of spaces for rejuvenation during working hours. Perhaps this area is reprogrammed for better use:
 - i. Staff Patio relocates to the West patio area and the current Staff Patio becomes a larger outdoor Therapy Patio.
 - ii. Or, the current Staff Patio is redesigned for better staff uses.



Design and Construction Projects ...continued

The North Walkway

- The North Walkway should serve as a promenade, wide enough to pass or to accommodate a wheelchair or walker, and with benches or seating opportunities along the way. The Walkway not only connects the Patios, which serve as nodes for social interaction, and would be continuous surrounding the facility as an exercise route for the residents.



Design and Construction Projects ...continued

Homestead Garden Renovation

- The Homestead Garden is an enclosed garden, separated by wrought iron gates from the rest of the Walkway path, which provides a sense of security and a safety measure for the residents. This is a garden designed for Alzheimer's and memory challenged residents with special needs. The design features address specific needs:
 - Providing paths that are circuitous, with no dead ends.
 - Landmarks that are distinct
 - Shaded transitions, between inside light and the natural light
 - Elements of discovery and interest
- Many of these features are already incorporated into the garden design of Homestead Garden. Planting design, pathway renovation and seating areas will be improved.

East Courtyard Patio Expansion

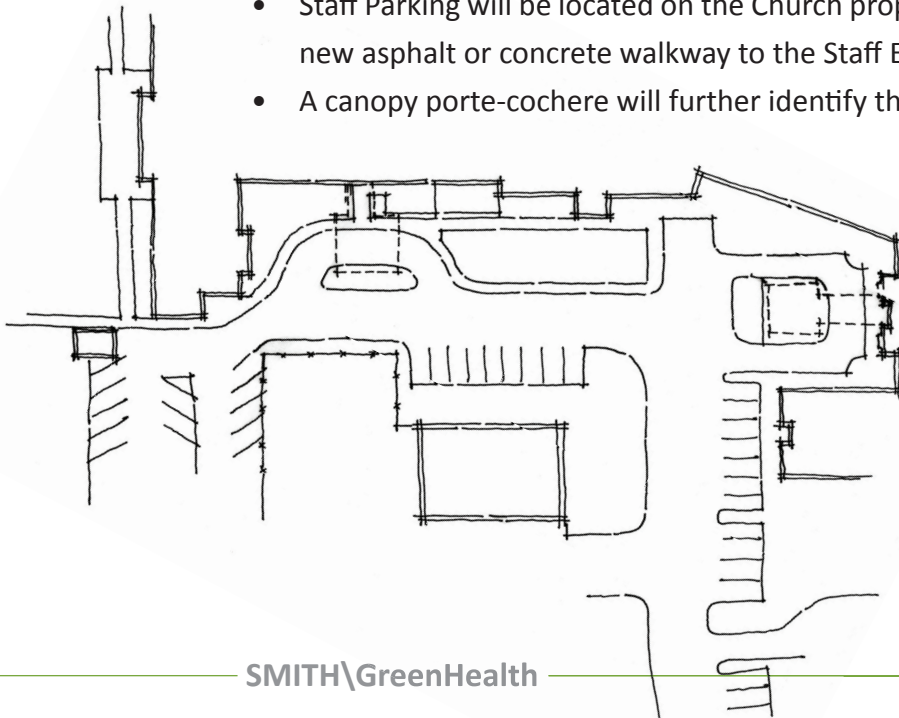
- The East Courtyard is home to the new raised garden and a lovely existing patio. This Courtyard will be considered for new plantings and paving at the patio level and a programmed cutting and vegetable garden in the raised bed.



Recommended Future Projects

Main Entrance Redesign - Schedule to be determined

- The existing drive and parking area in front of the Main Entrance to the Dover facility is currently undefined and difficult to locate. Parking is along both sides of the drive and no apparent break in parked cars allows for a sense of arrival at the front door. The redesign of this drive and parking will create formal drop-off and entrance to the Main Entrance.
- The driveway would be realigned and parking spaces removed to provide open lawn and views to the Main Entrance as one approaches the facility.
- Visitor Parking will be located in the current Staff Parking lot adjacent to the new main entrance drop-off with handicap spaces located on the current lawn area of the adjacent Medical Office Building.
- Staff Parking will be located on the Church property parking lot next door and connected by a new asphalt or concrete walkway to the Staff Entrance.
- A canopy porte-cochere will further identify the Main Entrance in a future phase.



Integrated Phasing Plans by Year - Four-Year Plan

Phase 1 / Year 1

- Gateway and Arrival (2011)
- Homestead Garden Area
 - Walkway revised
 - Landmarks and Wayfinding
 - Landscape and Planting Plans for Homestead
- Outpatient Drop-off
 - Curb and Asphalt removal
 - Catch basin realignment
- Small House Drive / Drop-off (In Conjunction with Building Construction)
 - Walkway and Handicap Parking Spaces
 - New Planting Plan for the Small House
- Small House Patio
 - Paved areas with Grill / Furniture
 - Water Feature

Design Features:

- A new drive/drop-off
- Removing parking spaces
- Increased planting areas
- New canopy at entrance

Homestead Garden

Outpatient Drop-off

Small House

Gateway and Arrival

Integrated Phasing Plans by Year - Four-Year Plan

Phase 2 / Year 2

- Trellis Patio Expansion and Redesign
- Rehabilitation Circuit Area
- Vegetable Garden Installation
 - Planting Schedule and implementation for Vegetable Garden



Integrated Phasing Plans by Year - Four-Year Plan

Phase 3 / Year 3

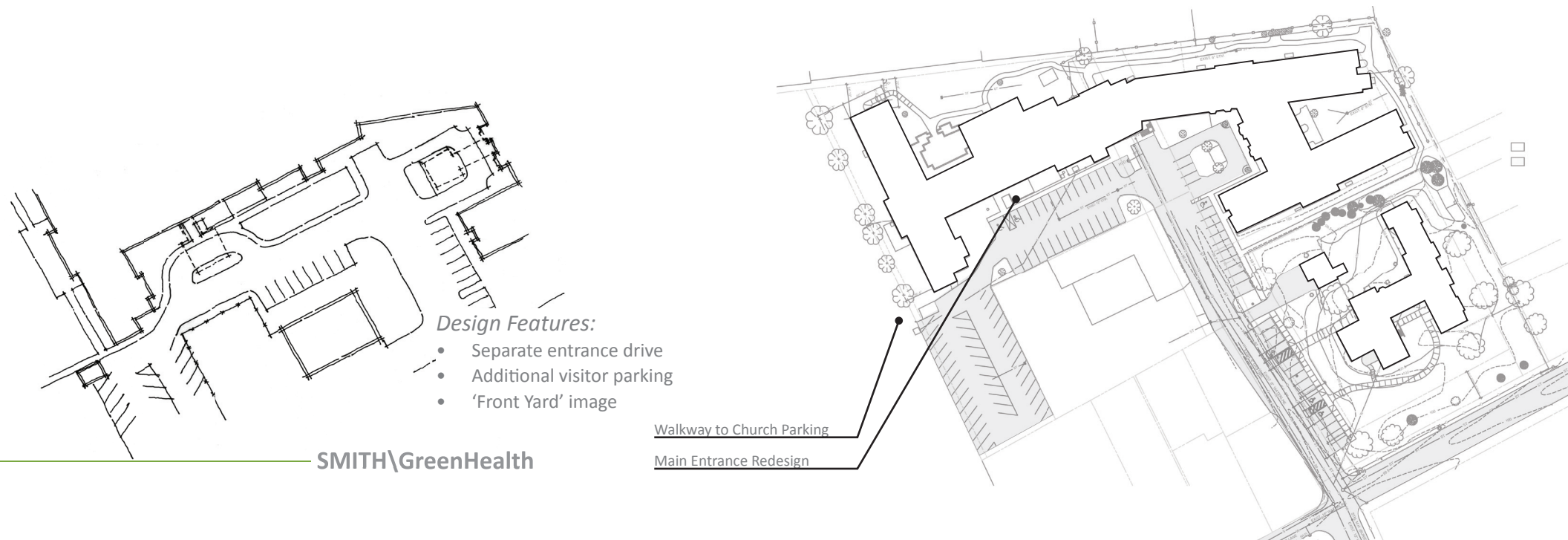
- Programmed Patios and Walkways
 - Rehabilitation Dining Patio
 - Therapy Patio
 - Staff Patio
 - Landscape and Planting Plans for North Walkway/Courtyards
- New West Patio and Walkway
- Vegetative Screen for Adjacent Parking
- East Courtyard
 - Patio Expansion
 - Landscape and Planting Plan East Courtyard



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Open Schedule (To Be Determined)

- Main Entrance Redesign
 - Driveway Redesign w/ drainage
 - Tree Removal
 - Walkway to Church Parking w/ Lighting
 - Design for Future Canopy
 - Signage
- Walkway to Church Parking



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