



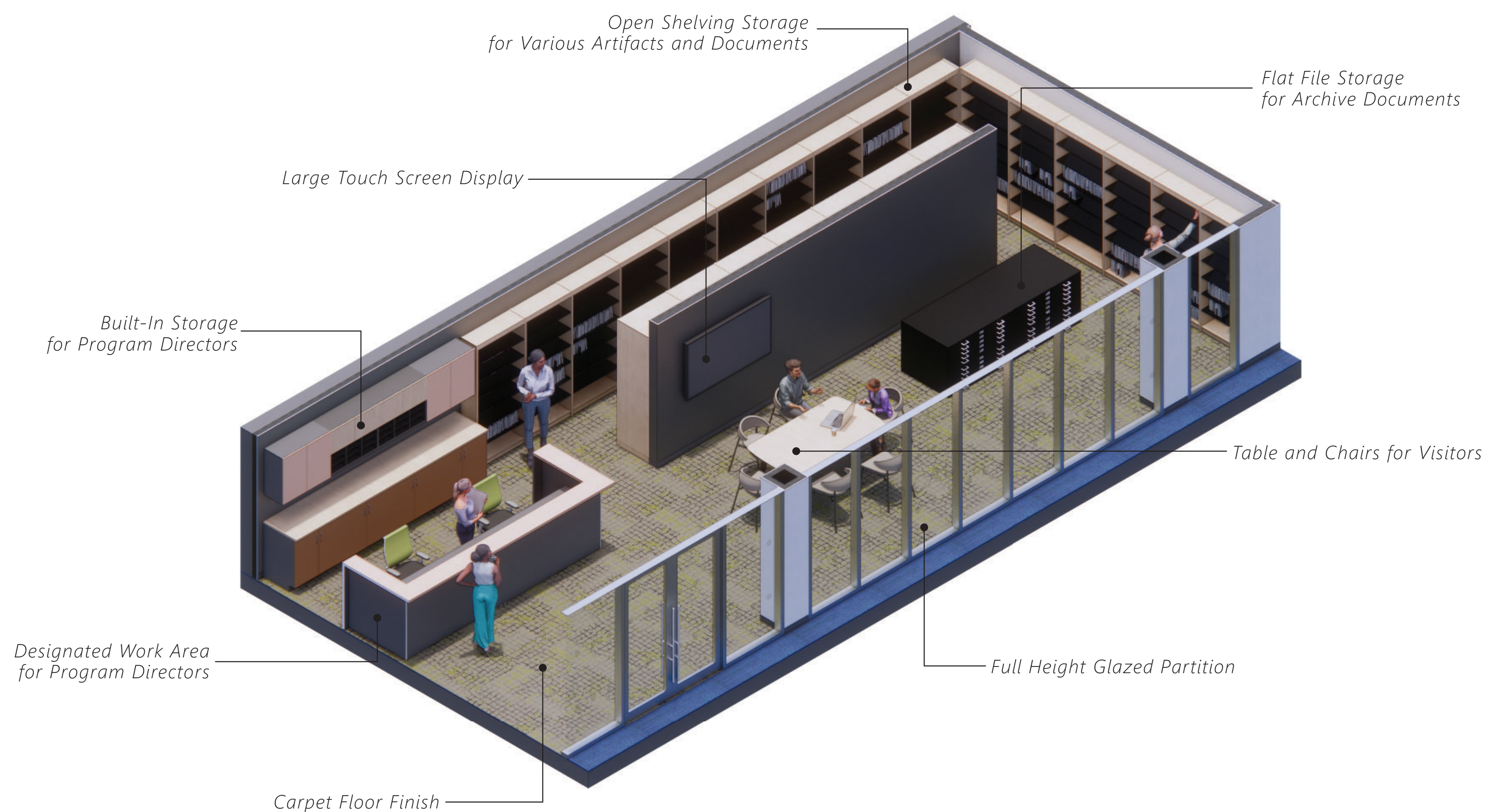
PHASE 1: *LOCAL HISTORY*



Heritage and culture are defining elements of the City of Newburgh. Celebrated and appreciated through its own history, Newburgh offers a rich sense of community where its residents come together and learn from each other's experiences and life stories. The Newburgh Free Library seeks to expand upon that by offering the visitors a space to revisit the past and dive into all that makes up the heritage of this very vibrant city and provide a glimpse into the lives who have helped shape it.

Coming in the Summer of 2022, a new 800+ square foot space will be constructed on the second floor of the library to house a newly expanded Local History Resource Center. Current artifacts and rotating collections that define the history of the City of Newburgh and surrounding areas within the Hudson Valley will be available to all. The space will offer a larger, more comfortable set up to review and research Newburgh History.

Seeking to attract visitors of all ages, cultures, and experiences, the new space will be visible from all areas of the second floor and is Phase One of what is to come in other areas of the library in the coming years.





PHASE 1: *TECH HUB*



Empowering communities to learn through technology is the ultimate 21st century way of thinking. The Newburgh Free Library pays respect to the digital age by offering access to state of the art technology for any and all needs. Coding classes, IT training, podcasting, and workforce development initiatives are among the many activities that take place at the library that utilize technology in efforts to build a stronger community and skilled workforce.

Coming in the Summer of 2022, a new 600+ square foot space will be constructed on the second floor of the library to house an expanded space for digital programming, education, and presentation. The new Tech Hub is designed to allow for mobility and flexibility for varying activities while still allowing users to be connected.

An open-door-policy user experience is reinforced by the design of the space. Community group meetings, educational lectures, and instructional classes are a small number of activities slated to take place in the Tech Hub, allowing for guests to enter and join the conversation as they wish. This new space is a peak into the future programming of the library as it will be one of a few spaces available for commiunity gathering and education.

