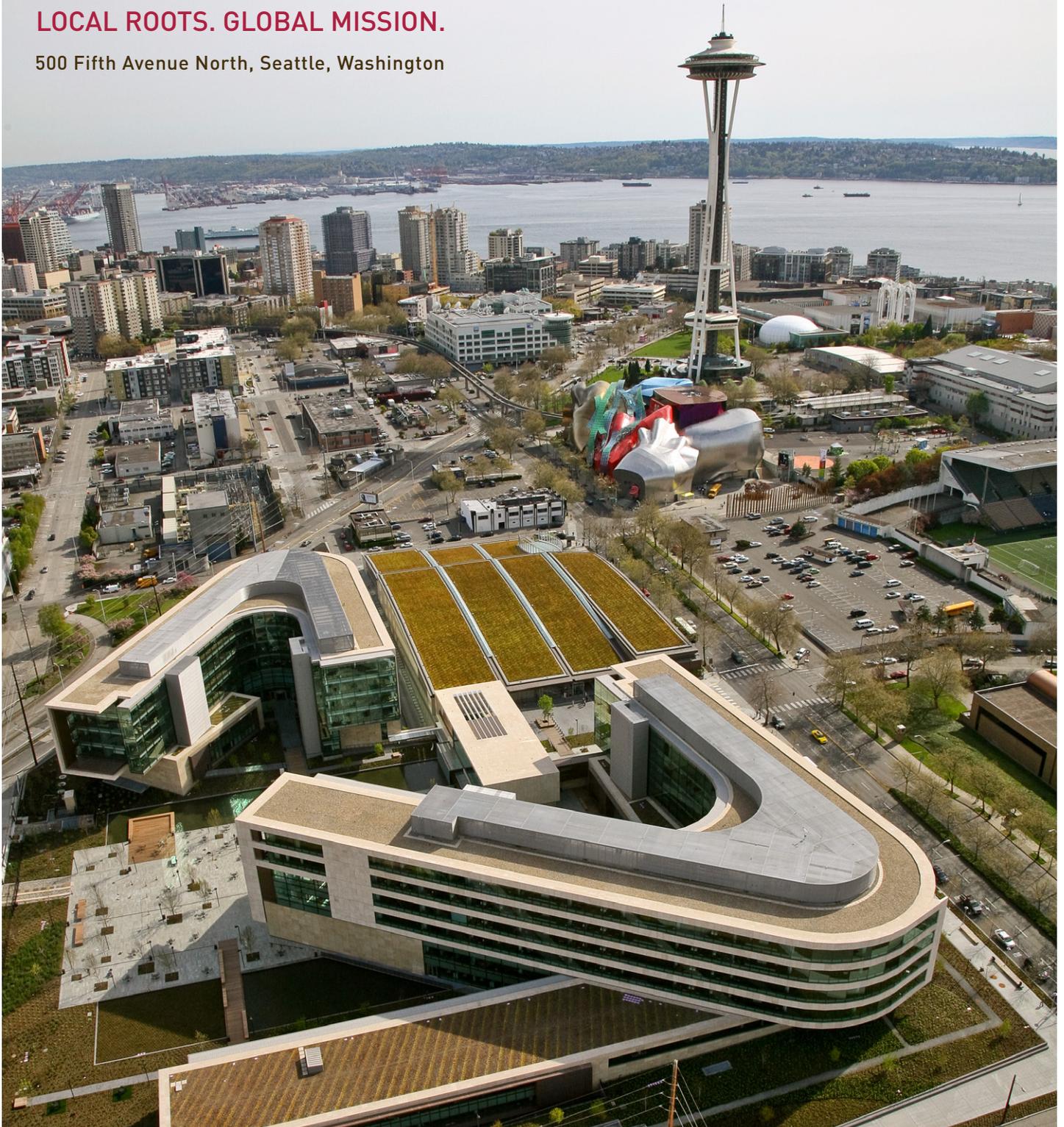


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# OUR SEATTLE CAMPUS

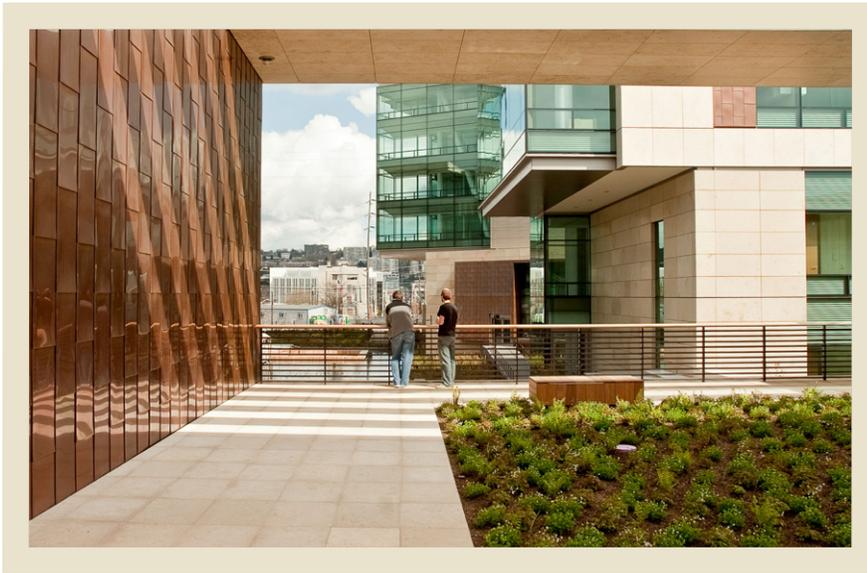
**LOCAL ROOTS. GLOBAL MISSION.**

500 Fifth Avenue North, Seattle, Washington



## A PLACE FOR COMMUNITY AND INNOVATION

For our permanent home, the Gates family chose a location in the heart of Seattle, next to Seattle Center. Here staff and partners work together to help all people get the chance to live healthy, productive lives. Completed in spring 2011, the campus reflects our values in its design, commitment to sustainability, and connection to the community.



*An inviting outdoor space next to the reception building gives visitors a place to pause and reflect.*

### COMMUNITY

#### Enlivening Fifth Avenue North

Public art, benches, landscaping, and our Visitor Center turn a walk along Fifth Avenue North into a pleasant, engaging experience.

An outdoor area next to the reception building provides information about the work of the foundation and the environmentally friendly campus.

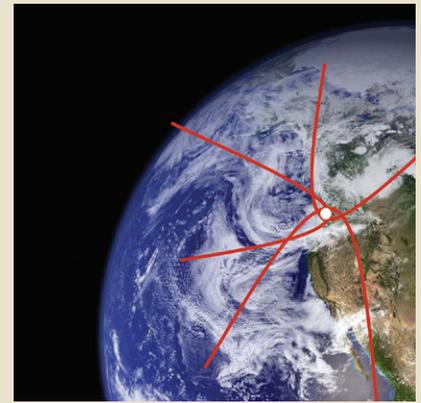
### SUSTAINABILITY

#### Conserving Resources

Our campus is designed to operate efficiently for a century or more. With sustainable design integrated into every aspect of the campus, we are on track to achieve LEED® (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Gold or Platinum certification.



*The living roofs are designed to absorb 90 percent of the water that falls on them.*



### DESIGN

#### Connecting New Pathways

When first imagining the campus design, architects at Seattle-based firm NBBJ were inspired by a map of the globe illustrating the pathways of world commerce and travel.

To relate this concept of connection to the work of the foundation, they drew lines from a point in Seattle to places around the globe where our grantees work to address the needs of the world's most vulnerable people.

These initial drawings developed into the sweeping, outward-reaching arms of the campus buildings.

While conceptually connecting the foundation to its global work, these arms are grounded in Seattle: they rest on buildings that align with the Seattle street grid.

## SUSTAINABLE FEATURES

### 1 ATRIUM

The central gathering place for staff, this airy space uses radiant heat and passive ventilation to conserve energy.

### 2 LIVING ROOFS

Living roofs—1.4 acres on the garage and more than half an acre on campus buildings—insulate, reduce the heat-island effect, limit rainwater runoff, and add a bird-friendly habitat.

### 3 RAINWATER STORAGE

A one-million-gallon underground tank stores rainwater for use in reflecting pools, irrigation, and toilets.

### 4 THERMAL ENERGY STORAGE

A 750,000-gallon underground tank minimizes energy used to cool buildings. It stores water chilled at night for recirculation during the day.

### 5 WINDOWS

Highly engineered windows conserve energy while letting in exceptional daylight and views.

### 6 LANDSCAPE

Plantings feature native and non-invasive drought-tolerant plants and trees.

### 7 ENERGY CONSERVATION

Energy- and water-efficient systems reduce the load on regional power supplies.

### 8 SMART LIGHTS

Electric lights automatically dim in natural light and inactive spaces.

### 9 VENTILATION

Under-floor air ventilation saves energy and simplifies future space modifications.

Explore the campus in greater detail at [www.gatesfoundation.org/newcampus](http://www.gatesfoundation.org/newcampus).

## WELCOMING STREETScape

A wide sidewalk and large wooden benches invite neighbors, bus riders, and visitors to take a pleasant stroll or relaxing break.



## PUBLIC PARKING GARAGE

We partnered with the City of Seattle to build the LEED® Gold certified Seattle Center Fifth Avenue North Garage. It serves Seattle Center, our staff, and the foundation's Visitor Center.



## DIGITAL ART

Enjoy the work of international artists on a digital screen, starting with Korean artist Kimsooja's "A Needle Woman" and "To Breathe."



## POETRY

Find inspiration from around the world in poems running along a bench-height wall.



## VISITOR CENTER

Visitors can explore the work of our grantees and discover local and global issues of personal interest. Opens at end of 2011.



# BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION VISITOR CENTER — OPENING LATE 2011



Through large windows along Fifth Avenue North, pedestrians will be able to see exhibits inside the Visitor Center.

Our Visitor Center invites the public to explore the innovative work our partners are doing to address some of the world's most difficult challenges. We hope visitors will be inspired to become involved in issues that are important to them. Located adjacent to the Seattle Center Fifth Avenue North Garage, the center opens in late 2011.



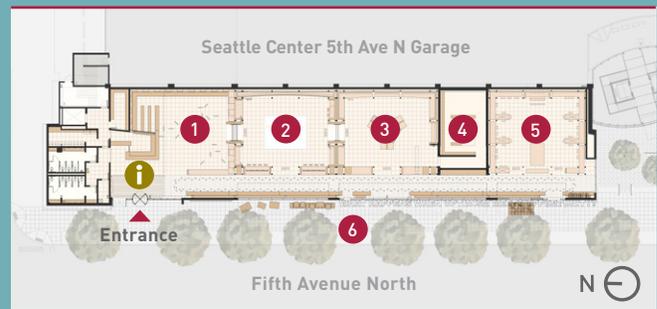
Voices Gallery

## Planning a Visit

<b>HOURS</b>	Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
<b>ADMISSION</b>	Free
<b>ACCESSIBILITY</b>	Exhibits and facilities are wheelchair-accessible and meet ADA standards
<b>QUESTIONS</b>	<a href="mailto:info@gatesfoundation.org">info@gatesfoundation.org</a>

Please note that the Visitor Center will open at the end of 2011.

## Inside the Visitor Center



### 1 VOICES GALLERY

Everyone shares the same basic needs. See faces and find stories of people we work with around the world.

### 2 FAMILY AND FOUNDATION GALLERY

Our work grew out of the Gates family's values and passions. Imagine yourself in their place: What would your foundation do?

### 3 PARTNERSHIPS GALLERY

Complex issues require thoughtful solutions. Learn how our grantees set goals and measure results. Would you make the same choices?

### 4 THEATER

See live and video presentations about the world-changing work of our partners.

### 5 INNOVATION AND INSPIRATION GALLERY

Which local or global challenges matter most to you? Explore your problem-solving strengths and propose solutions to real-world issues.

### 6 SIDEWALK VIEWING

Short on time? Windows along the sidewalk allow pedestrians a view of the exhibits inside.



*To encourage collaboration and flexibility, the entire campus is an extended workplace. It gathers people into small office neighborhoods and offers informal indoor and outdoor areas for team discussion and quiet work.*

## SEATTLE CAMPUS FACTS

<b>PROJECT</b>	Three six-story office buildings (two buildings completed in Phase 1; Phase 2 will add a third building)
<b>LOCATION</b>	500 Fifth Avenue North, Seattle, Washington
<b>SQUARE FOOTAGE</b>	900,000 square feet (Phase 1); additional 400,000 square feet in Phase 2
<b>SITE SIZE</b>	12 acres
<b>CAPACITY</b>	750 people per building (maximum)
<b>PUBLIC ACCESS</b>	Visitor Center (opens at end of 2011)
<b>PROJECT PARTNERS</b>	<p>Architect/Interiors &amp; Workplace/Lighting/Environmental Graphics: NBBJ            Contractor: Sellen Construction Company            Development Manager: Seneca Group            Landscape Architect: Gustafson Guthrie Nichol Ltd.            SMEP, AV/IT, Acoustics Engineer: Arup            Civil Engineer: KPFF Consulting Engineers            Mechanical Contractor: McKinstry            Electrical Contractor: Cochran, Inc.            Technology Consultant: TechPMgroup            Visitor Center Exhibit Design: Olson Kundig Architects</p>

Guided by the belief that every life has equal value, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation works to help all people lead healthy, productive lives. In developing countries, it focuses on improving people's health with vaccines and other life-saving tools and giving them the chance to lift themselves out of hunger and extreme poverty. In the United States, it seeks to significantly improve education so that all young people have the opportunity to reach their full potential. Based in Seattle, Washington, the foundation is led by CEO Jeff Raikes and Co-chair William H. Gates Sr., under the direction of Bill and Melinda Gates and Warren Buffett.

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