The history of stadiums and large sporting facilities started in 776 BC in Ancient Greece. The development of other sports buildings and the Olympic Games stadium started at this time and continued to make improvements as the years pass on. By 366 BC, Circus Maximus in Ancient Rome begins construction. In 80 AD, the Colosseum was built.
The Taft Coliseum is the first multipurpose arena in Ohio, opened in 1918, this 5,003 permanent seat area is located at the Ohio Expo Center and State Fairgrounds. Nicknamed “The Barn”, this facility hosted the 1929 NCAA Wrestling Championships, and was once home to the OSU men’s basketball team, Columbus Horizon CBA basketball team, Columbus Thunderbolts Arena Football League team, and the Columbus Stars and Columbus Chill ice hockey teams.
Sports have an immensely positive impact on local economies, mainly through tourism dollars.

Most teams and leagues have a community relations department or charitable arms.

Provides a platform for people to support their city/country.
Participation in sports allows kids to create friendships, communication skills, and feel a sense of community and learn to respect others.

Sports keep mental well-being and increase self-esteem, teamwork, and creates a close community of peers and supportive adults.

Professional athletes are important role models to young kids. Specifically women and LGBTQ athletes are huge role models for young people to start and keep in sports.
Sports positively contributes towards someone’s physical, social and emotional development. Creating a space that is welcoming to any person interested in team or individual sport in a controlled environment would encourage more people to participate regardless of their background or experience.
FLOOR 2 CAFE
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FLOOR 1 LOUNGE