

# OUR OFFICE DESIGNS ARE ROOTED IN FOUR KEY DESIGN PRINCIPLES

#### Engage

amenities and common spaces adapt to give occupants choice

#### **Empowerment**

integrated technology, tools, and resources elevate collaboration, work, and play

#### **Effective**

wayfinding and instructional signage enhance the wellbeing of users and visitors alike

#### Experience

rooted in placemaking,
where brand drives a
seamless experience
throughout the property

# Team Touchdown.

Team Touchdown is Ankrom Moisan's task force on re-entry solutions.

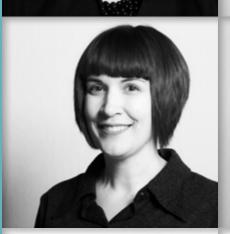
We are office and workplace designers, strategists, healthcare specialists, wellness-focused designers, and researchers dedicated to learning and strategically responding to COVID-19's effects on office environments—now and in the future. Through research and meeting with corporate clients and building owners, our thought-leadership group is developing a knowledge base and the necessary tools to help clients plan for a safe, healthy, and resilient return to the office environment.

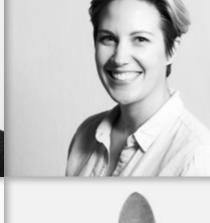








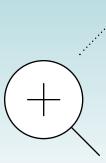


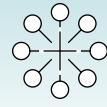


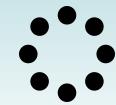


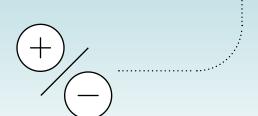


# Designing for the next normal means adapting.









## Learn

Understand users needs, challenges, risks, and opportunities of returning to the office.

## Plan

Refine business strategies and user experiences to prioritize tenant's well-being.

# Implement

Follow through by integrating the right tools, resources, and communication plans for a safe re-entry.

# Adapt

Meet each new reality, observing and adjusting as circumstances shift now, near-term, and in the future.

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# We surveyed 300+ people about returning to their workplace.

We learned three insights that guide our recommendations:

### **INVEST IN WELLBEING**

Over ¾ of our participants cite policy and behavioral changes as essential to their safety. Supporting user's wellness by providing opportunities for individual control of their environment will help tenants feel safe while keeping their community safe.

#### **REDEFINE CONNECTION**

Common areas, including restrooms and circulation, are spaces that overwhelmingly concerned our respondents. Re-energize existing amenity spaces to introduce new purpose while providing safe opportunities to connect with others in their community.

#### **FORTIFY TRUST**

A building communication plan for re-entry, rooted in science-based evidence is critical for a successful building re-entry. Team Touchdown is gaining new insights regularly and is committed to helping adapt the response as new information becomes available.

# This case study exemplifies the next normal

The following re-entry design recommendations apply what we've learned:

#### **INVEST IN WELLBEING**

Daily cleaning of all building common areas, with deep cleaning on a weekly basis

Establish disinfection stations for deliveries

Provide low-impact updates to HVAC and plumbing to decrease contact with contaminants

Specify nonporous materials that are easily cleanable

Integrate touchless technology

Wellness is the new amenity!

#### **REDEFINE CONNECTION**

Re-energize ancillary spaces to provide opportunity for safe connection.

Provide meeting facilities that support tenant needs for social distancing and technology

Smart technology that works with personal devices to provide directory assistance and visitor check in

Provide thoughtfully integrated visual cues for social distancing and path of travel guidance

You are in the meeting!

#### **FORTIFY TRUST**

Educational signage and wayfinding for seamless user experience

Consider design solutions that accommodate new wellness procedures while being thoughtful of the tenant's experience

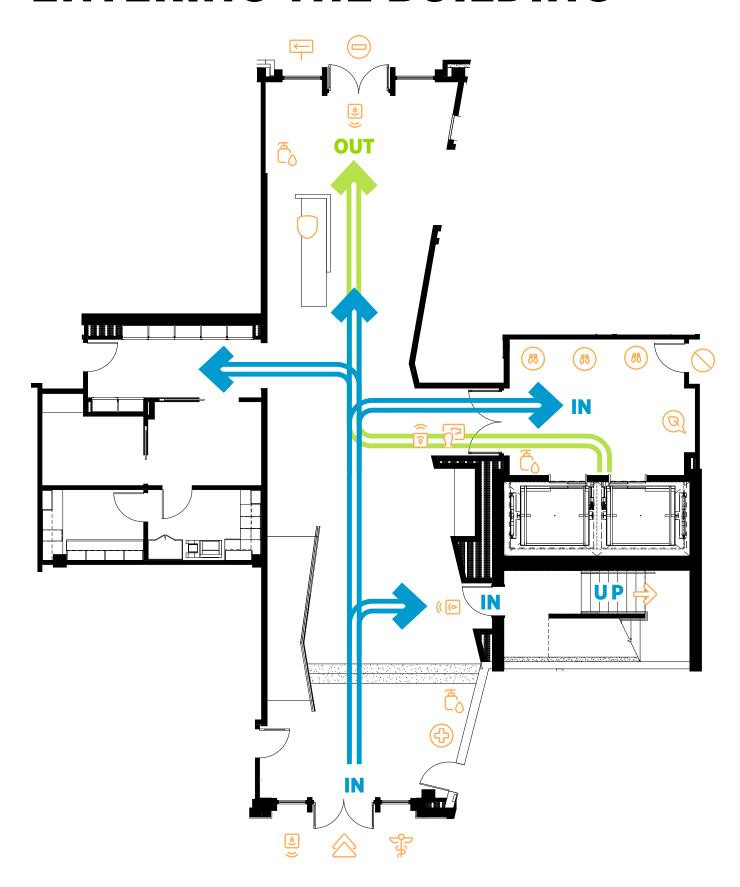
Clear and regular communication plan

Integrated sanitation fixtures that encourage community care

Educate building users on proper hygiene and cleaning procedures

Join the circle of trust!

## **ENTERING THE BUILDING**



#### **OPERATIONS**



Access by courtyard (door is for exit only)



Monitored health-assessment screening



PPE Station



Marked six-foot queuing distances

#### FACILITY



Signs direct visitors to the courtyard for screening



Touchless automated door / Fob access point



Transparent shield at security guard desk



Sole entry point of building



Install digital touchless building directory and call up system with camera



Signs designating stairs as UP ONLY and DOWN ONLY



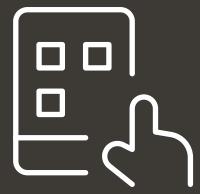
Informational signage noting social distancing, building updates, and community events

How's it feel being back?

have to admit

was worried about getting in

but this is WAY EASIER than even the grocery store



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## **USING GYM AND LOCKER ROOM**



#### **OPERATIONS**



Limit gym access for daily deep cleaning



Alternative: use scheduling software



Close showers (temporarily)



Close stalls and sinks



Marked six-foot queuing distances

#### FACILITY



Sanitation stations



Occupancy sensor lights at corridor



Paper towel dispensers and disposal unit



Touchless soap and faucets



Touchless door entry

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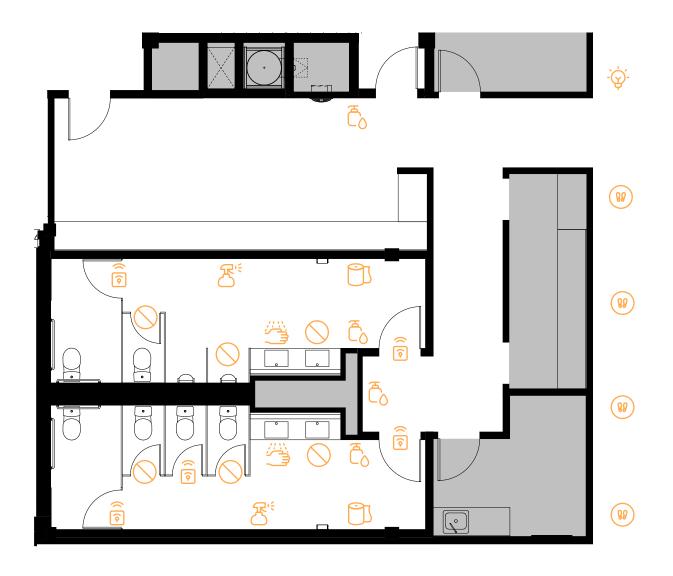


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So how'd they update the bathrooms?

um, cleaner in there than my entire walk to work



# **MANAGING THE BUILDING**

SECURITY		HVAC	
Hourly security patrols in and around the building	FT	Add local HEPA or ionization filtration in dense locations (e.g. restrooms, elevator lobbies, and elevator cars)	IW
CLEANING		Regularly change air filters	IW
More frequent deep cleaning	IW	Publish findings monthly	FT
More cleaning staff during business hours	IW	Commission systems quarterly	IW
Periodic sanitizing mist	IW	Clean ductwork quarterly	IW
Weekly sanitizing fog	IW	Fully open outdoor dampers	IW
		Control humidification	IW
PLUMBING		Train tenants on using operable windows	FT
Flush building pipes and prime floor drains	IW		
Sanitize water fountains, bottle fillers,		Increase restroom exhaust	IW
toilets, sinks, faucets, showers, and restroom accessories	IW	Add exhaust fans in print rooms	IW
Add automatic trap primers	IW	IW: Invest in Wellbeing	
Disinfect hot-water supply and		FT: Fortify Trust	
recirculation pipe with high-temperature	IW		



water (140-170 F) to kill L. pneumophila

## **REFERENCES AND RESOURCES**

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World Health Organization

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