



Project: Al Madinah Gardens  
Location: Upper Marlboro, Maryland  
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Al Madinah Gardens is a visionary development which encompasses a variety of cemetery uses, a discovery center, sustainable design and much more. In order for the project to proceed, it requires investor involvement; hence the need for an investment proposal document. Displayed here are four pages from the investment proposal document and the analysis/visioning plan. Each page reveals information about elements within the proposed project through imagery and text descriptions.

**5 COMMITTAL SHELTER**

A variety of pavilions are strategically located throughout the site to offer visitors, guests from the elements. These pavilions can be used for burial events, family gatherings, or quiet contemplation.

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**9 DRAINAGES**  
**18 WATER BASINS**

**DRAINAGES:** The site will be designed to shed, filter, and collect storm water in the existing drainage and basins. The water can then be utilized for supplemental irrigation or other related uses.

**Water Basins:** These strategically located basins will be used to capture and store water for the site's supplemental needs. In addition, these basins may also be used for some limited, passive recreation by families and local residents.

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**10 TRAIL SYSTEM**

This trail meanders through the natural areas providing educational opportunities through interpretation of the historic, cultural, historic, and sustainable resources of the region and site. In addition, these trails will be designed to accommodate maintenance vehicles and equipment. As currently shown, this trail system is approximately 1.3 miles.

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**5 CELEBRATION AND INTERPRETATION CENTER**

This facility will be LEED designed to accommodate a number of differing uses related to the celebration of life (i.e., the remembrance services, weddings, receptions, etc.). In addition, this facility will become a resource and discovery center related to both the celebration of life, grief support, genealogy, industry trends and products, and renewal of faith. Visitors will be able to find quiet contemplation space, a tea or coffee, while enjoying the distant views or reading the daily newspaper. This facility will be a destination and hub for hours of the site. Alternative modes of transportation (i.e., electric cars, segways, scooters, etc.) will also be offered to families who want to experience the Gardens without the dependence upon their vehicle.

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**1 ENTRY**  
**2 MAIN DRIVE**  
**3 MUSLIM SECTION**  
**4 MILITARY SECTION**  
**5 CELEBRATION AND INTERPRETATION CENTER**  
**6 COMMITTAL SHELTER**  
**7 NATURAL AREAS**  
**8 STEEP TERRAIN**  
**9 DRAINAGES**  
**10 TRAIL SYSTEM**  
**11 FLEX BURIAL SECTION**  
**12 PROCESSIONAL DRIVE**  
**13 PET SECTION WITH DOG PARK**  
**14 CHRISTIAN SECTION**  
**15 MAINTENANCE FACILITY**  
**16 MAINTENANCE ACCESS**  
**17 GREEN BURIAL SECTION**  
**18 WATER BASINS**  
**19 BUFFER PLANTING**  
**20 MAINTENANCE ACCESS DRIVE**

SWANSON ROAD  
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