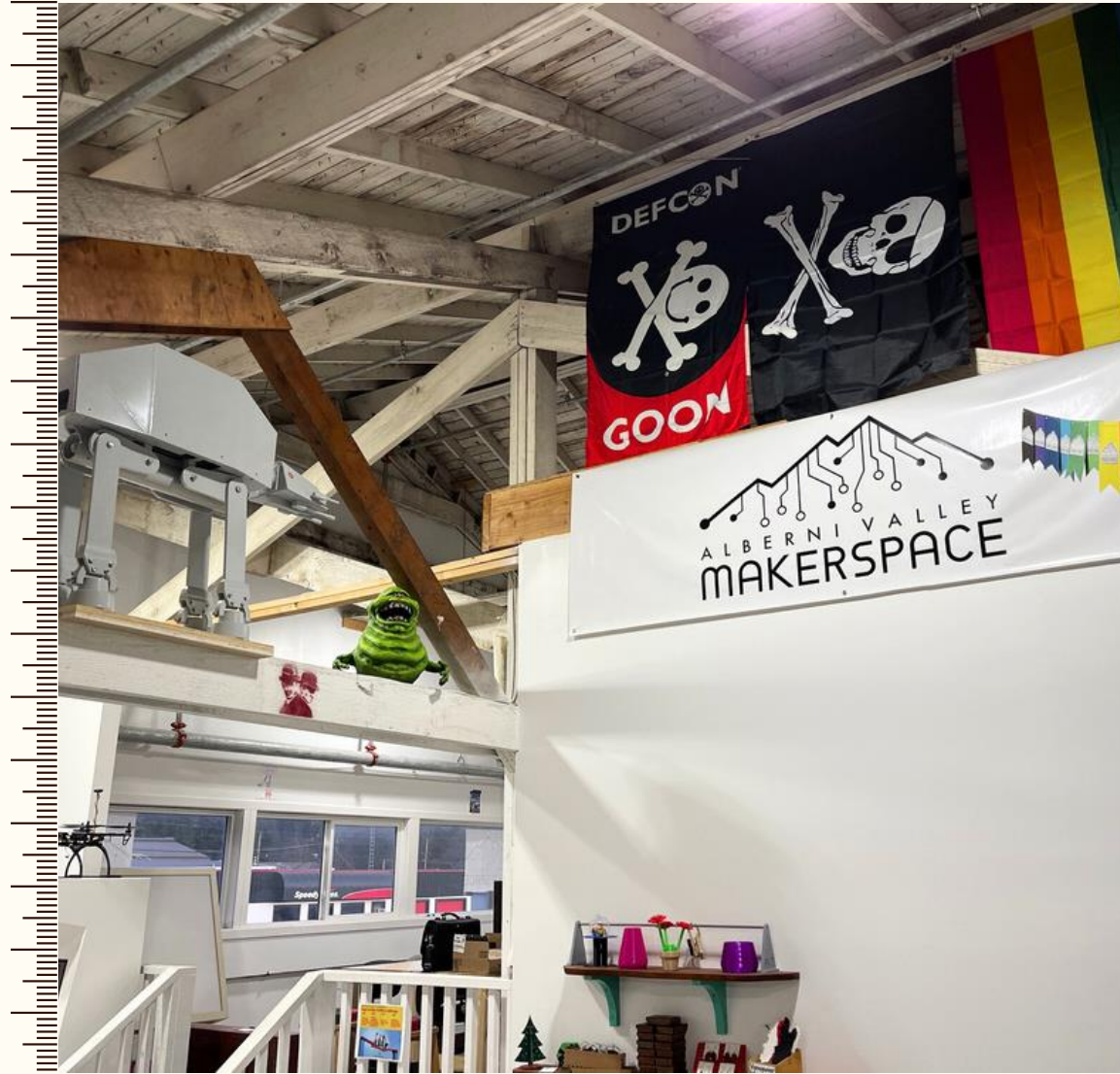




ALBERNI MAKERSPACE

# Renovation



# About Us

The Alberni Valley Makerspace has been operating for 3 years and has grown to be a community resource, for families and businesses. We have established a fully operational and award winning plastics recycling program, a hub for economic development, a community center, a educational institution with partnerships with NIC, VIU, UVIC, and one of the best equipped makerspaces in Canada.

# Where we are



## MEMBERSHIPS



We have over 60 monthly memberships, accounting for more than over 200 people, as well as over 100 drop ins a month. We also host events, classes, workshops, and provide community space.



## REVENUE AND RESOURCES



With our amazing partnership with ACRD and support from the community we are revenue positive. This means we can ensure that we are providing the latest and greatest equipment and supplies to the community

# What we need



The Alberni Makerspace is growing and we need space to grow. We are looking to expand the current foot print to what would be considered mezzanine area. This update would increase the Makerspaces ability to provide classes and skills training along with providing the community with even more tools, resources, and space.

We are asking the ACRD for approval to expand into this unused space and develop it so that we can increase the value of services we are offering the community.

This expansion comes at no cost to the ACRD and will be funded through the Alberni Makerspace.

# What is the plan



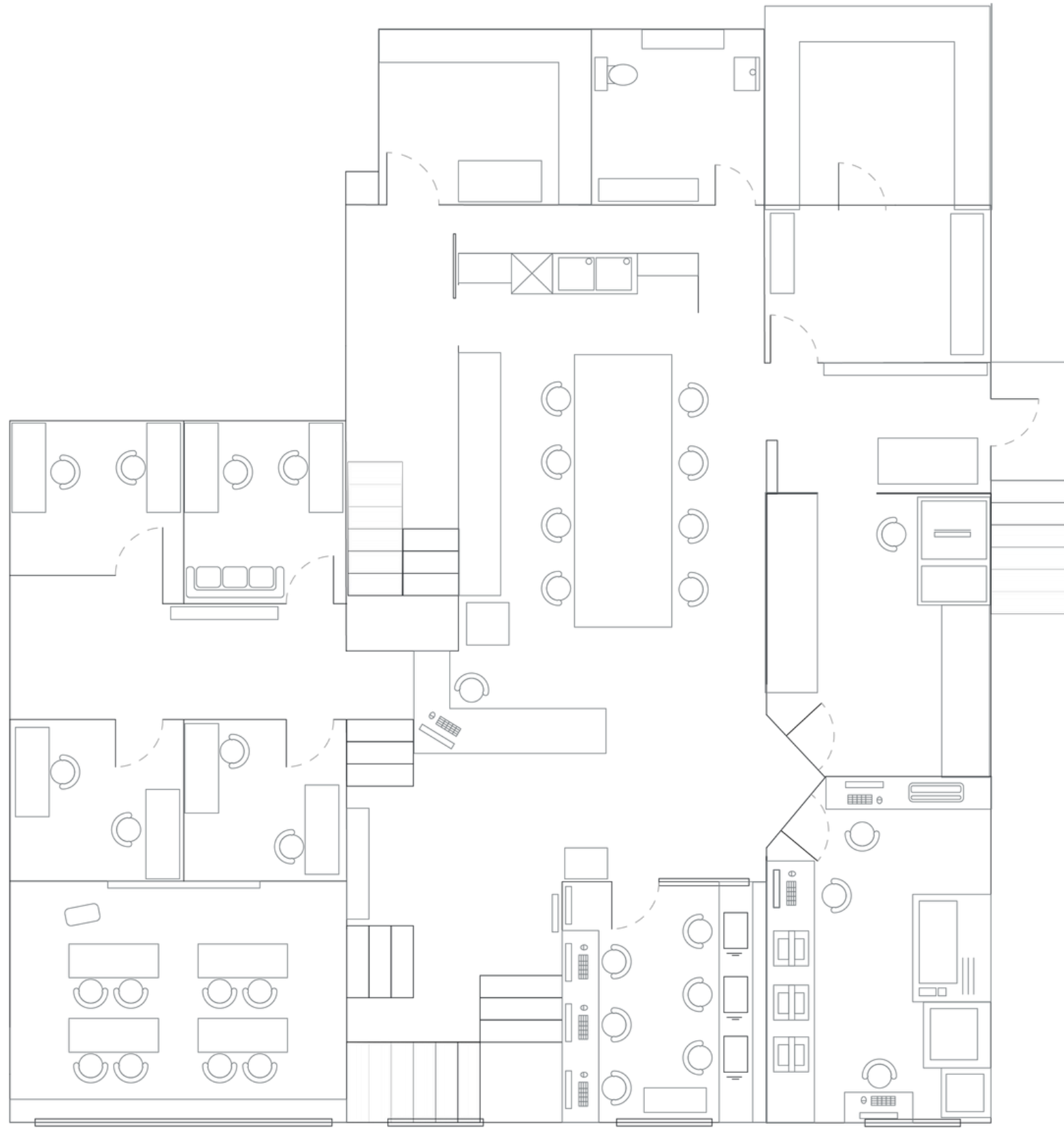
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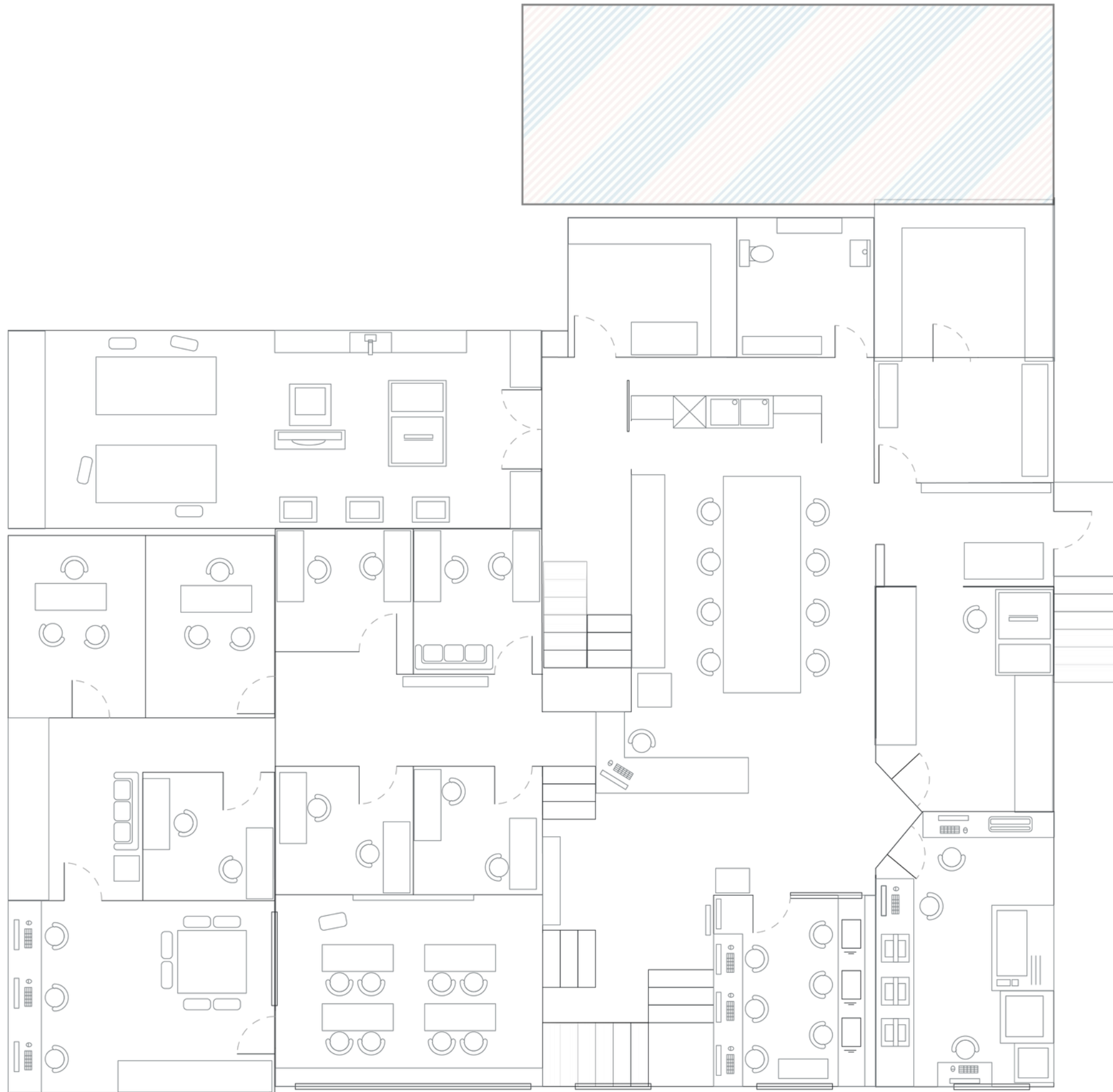
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# Phase 1

## Expanding E-Waste room

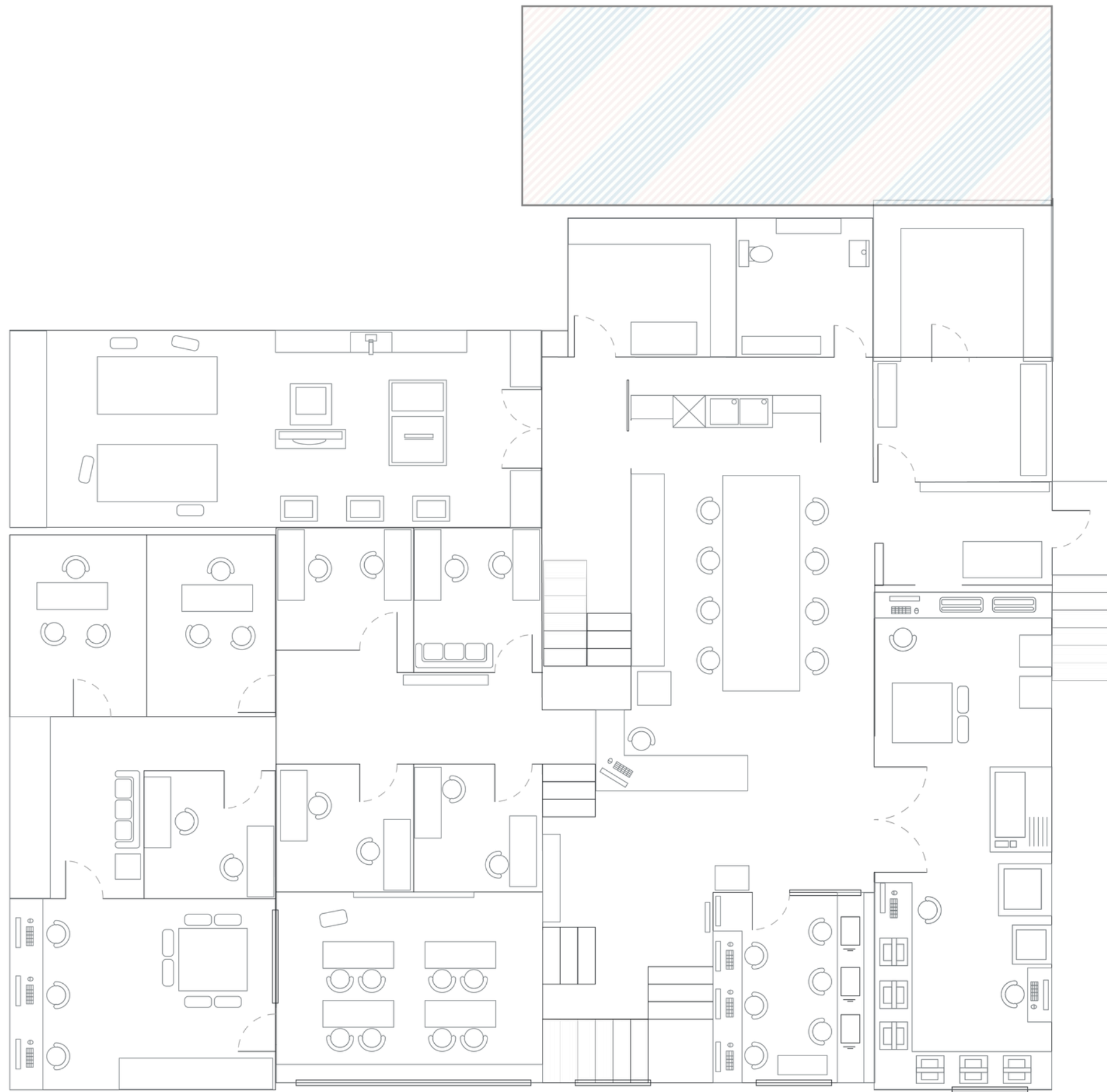
Expanding the E-Waste room will allow us to better manage, and process products, increasing how much waste we can keep from going to the landfill.



# Phase 2

Expand Class, Studio, and add woodshop

Expanding the Class room space to include a digital arts studio allows us the ability to provide more resources to the community. Adding more studio space offers members more work space, and creating a new woodshop means we can host classes and community organizations with bigger, better and safer space to work. The current space that is being used by the ACRD as storage will be move to a new and available spot and we will build storage solution to help with the relocation.



# Phase 3

Moving the old woodshop and expanding the Fabrication room

Once the new woodshop is complete we can move our existing woodshop space, allowing the Makerspace to remove the separating wall between fabrication space and woodshop space to create a larger and more functional fabrication space. This is our most popular space and being able to expand will mean more people will have access to the tools and resources there.

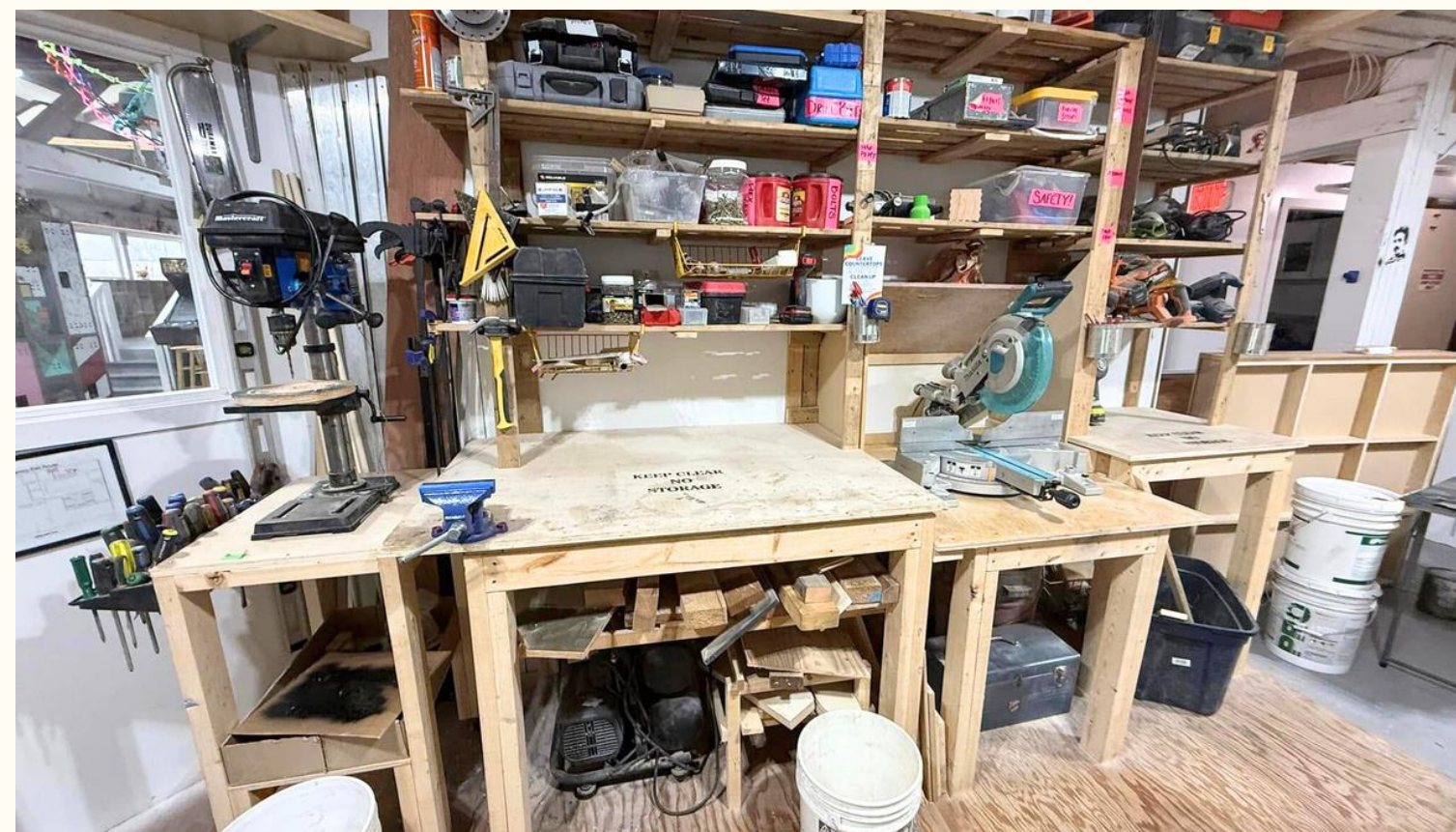
# When?

When do we plan to start

Phase 1 - As soon as possible

Phase 2 - April - June - July

Phase 3 - August - September 2026



# Road blocks

Plan for the success and prepare to fail



- Funding - We have applied for funding to complete the project, but also have contingency funding to work on the project from society funds.
- City approval - We will be working with economic development to have the approval prioritized.
- Parking - We have entered agreements with neighbouring business to address concerns.
- Labor - We have sign up sheets if you are up for volunteering



# Project summary



We are just getting started

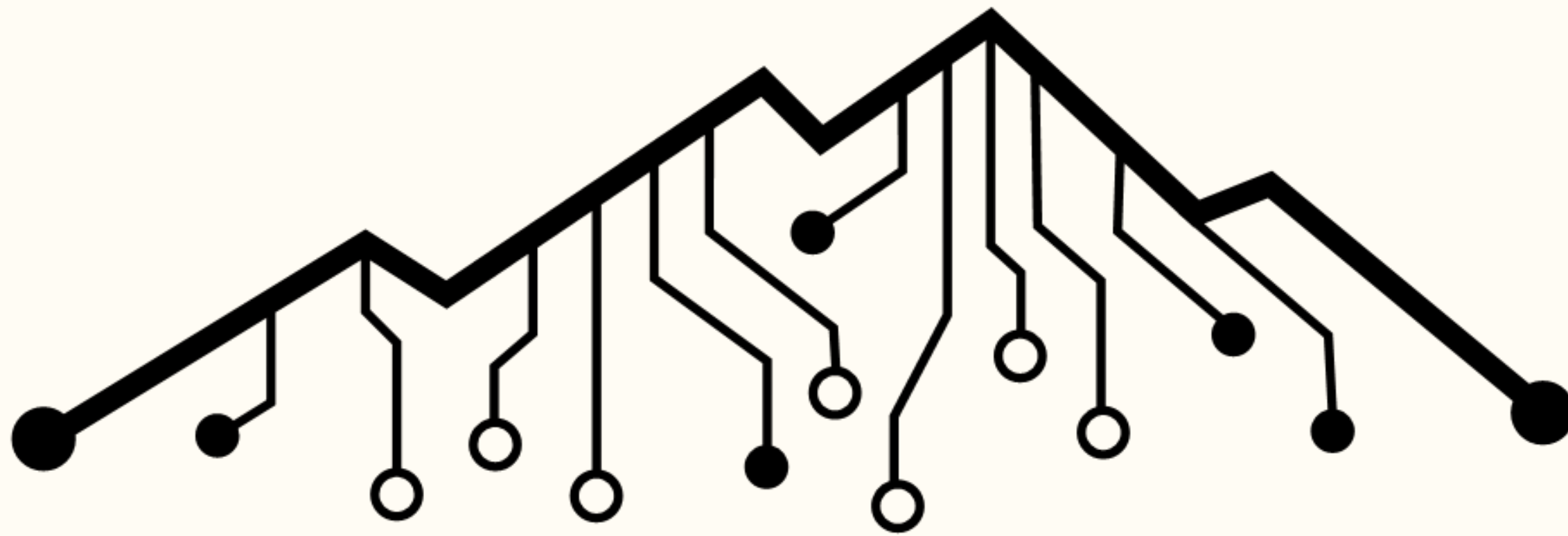
The last year at the Alberni Valley Makerspace is just the start and we are looking to the future.

People want to learn and we want to teach. We are growing the partnership list every week.

Partnerships are not just happening in the Valley we are growing on the coast and all the way to Victoria.

We are already regarded as a premier Makerspace in BC and Canada and with fantastic partners we can continue to grow and build.

Thank you to the ACRD for all the support and for helping making this happen.



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