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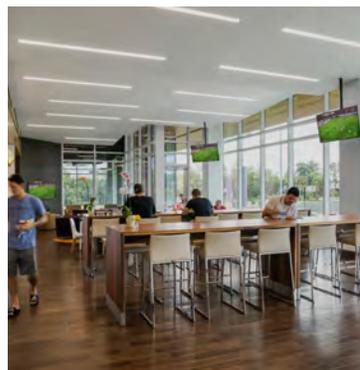
## Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Training Ground

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Training Ground has become a catalyst for revitalization throughout the Franklin Gateway Corridor in Marietta, GA. A vision of inclusion and flexibility guided the design of the facility which serves as not just the training grounds for the Atlanta United Football Club, but also a home for the youth team, corporate workforce, and community events.

Positioned on 33 acres, the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Training Ground has a distinct emphasis on hospitality, with first-class amenities. The training gym was designed to be interconnected, featuring best-in-class equipment, a garage door that opens to the fields, and a second level observation window. It is adjoined by a series of rooms dedicated to on-site sports medicine, including a physiotherapy room with exam tables, a hydrotherapy room, and a sauna.

The facility was designed to maximize functionality—doubling as a hospitality event space. Movable features create more use potential, allowing the space to be tailored to different event sizes with multiple configurations. The office space has access to balconies and outdoor space, allowing for meetings to be held outdoors and around the campus, integrating exercise into the work day. The cafeteria gives the employees access to healthy food, instead of having access to vending machines like many office spaces.

The Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Training Ground is LEED Silver certified featuring an edible garden, cafeteria, walking trail and a bottle water reduction program. Since opening, the project has helped to activate new developments and businesses along the Franklin Gateway Corridor.



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