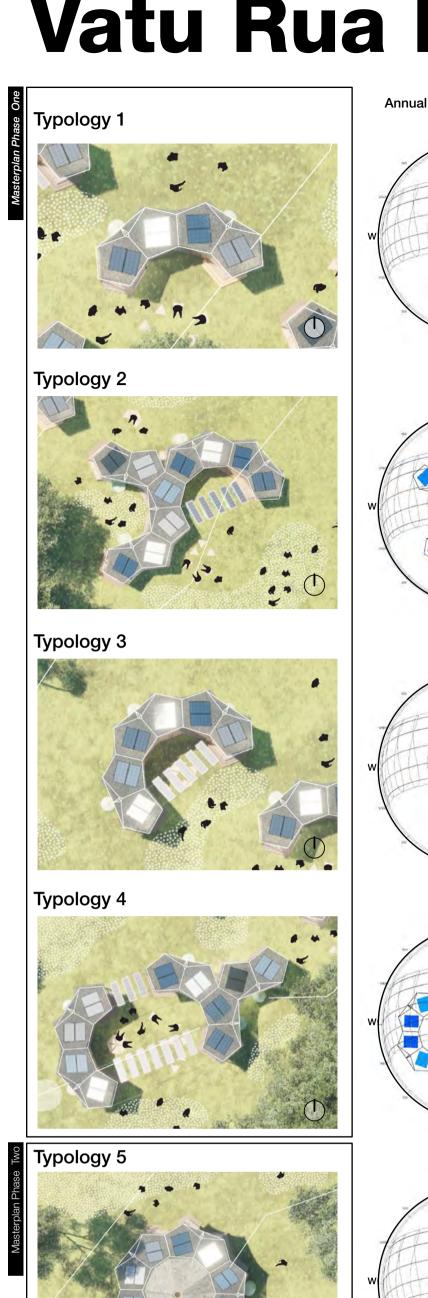
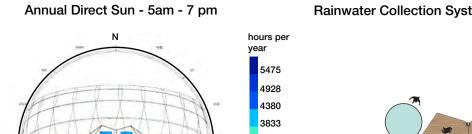
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Rainwater Collection System & Social Outcome Typical Solar Panel Capacity: 400 watts Photovoltaic Panel Efficiency: 15% System Loss Factor: Cost per installed watt:

\$12 usd 2 Modules (4 pentagons, 8 PV panels)

Average energy produced per panel: 1.5kWH daily approx Total energy produced per typology: 6kWH daily approx Rainwater storage capacity: 2 tanks of 14,000 Liters each Total rainwater storage capacity per typology: 28,000 Liters per typology. Indicative total cost: \$38,000.00 usd approx

5 Modules (10 pentagons, 20 PV panels)

Average energy produced per panel: 1.35kWH daily approx Total energy produced per typology: 27kWH daily approx Potential Additional Flexible Panel Energy: 6kWH daily

2 tanks of 14,000 Liters each 3 tanks of 3,000 Liters each Total rainwater storage capacity per typology 37,000 Liters per typology. Indicative total cost: \$95,000.00 usd approx

Rainwater storage capacity:

3 Modules (6 pentagons, 12 PV panels)

Average energy produced per panel: 1.45kWH daily approx Total energy produced per typology 17kWH daily approx Potential Additional Flexible Panel Energy: 6kWH daily Rainwater storage capacity:

3 tanks of 14,000 Liters each Total rainwater storage capacity per typology: 42,000 Liters per typology. Indicative total cost: \$57,000.00 usd approx

5 Modules (10 pentagons, 20 PV panels)

Average energy produced per panel: 1.35kWH daily approx Total energy produced per typology: 27kWH daily approx Potential Additional Flexible Panel Energy:

Rainwater storage capacity: 3 tanks of 14,000 Liters each 2 tanks of 3,000 Liters each Total rainwater storage capacity per typology: 48,000 Liters per typology.

Indicative total cost: \$95,000.00 usd approx

5 Modules (10 pentagons, 20 PV panels) & Central Roof

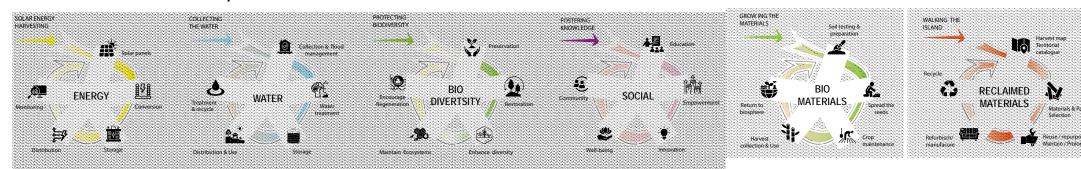
Average energy produced per panel:

1.35kWH daily approx Total energy produced per typology: 27kWH daily approx Rainwater storage capacity: 3 tanks of 14,000 Liters each 2 tanks of 3,000 Liters each Total rainwater storage capacity per typology:

48,000 Liters per typology. Indicative total cost: \$125,000.00 usd approx

Circular and Metabolic Economy

Circular and Metabolic Principles



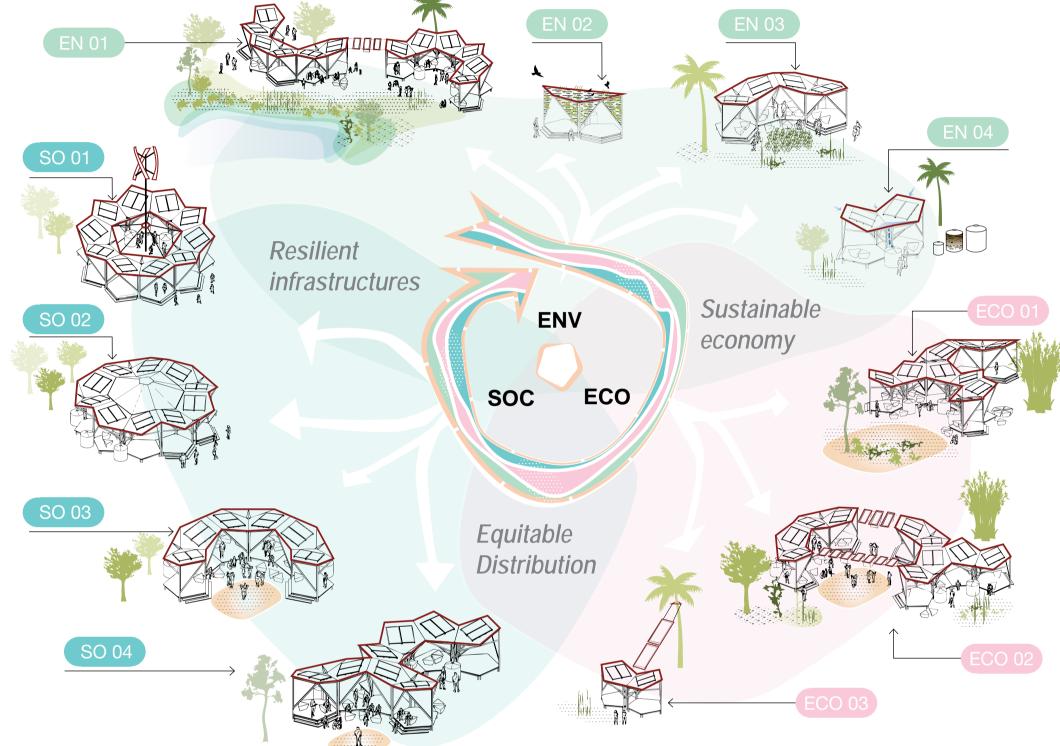
Rooted in the principles of sustainable development and a regenerative, metabolic economy, the Vatu Rua Kaukauwa typologies unfold as a phased architectural strategy. The initial phase focuses on securing two foundational needs: access to renewable energy and efficient rainwater harvesting. Alongside these priorities, the strategy also initiates the cultivation of local bamboo and native plant species, serving both flood mitigation and ecosystem restoration goals. Solar performs well even in indirect sunlight.

The modular nature and ease of installation of solar panels make them ideal for decentralised mini-grid systems, and the familiarity of the Marou community with this technology enables the repurposing of existing panels, amplifying both social and environmental impact. Rainwater harvesting is seamlessly integrated into the architectural design, with a modular roof composed of three slopes that channel water into a standard downspout system, easily adaptable to a variety of tank and treatment ensures durable construction materials and empowers residents with skills for sustainable building

The water tanks serve a dual purpose: they function as storage units or can include layered natural filtration—using gravel and sand—or advanced technologies for bacterial removal. Beyond practical utility, these systems symbolise collective resourcefulness, reinforcing community identity and social cohesion. The project centres on preserving and restoring local ecosystems. Indigenous plant species are introduced throughout the site and along the watershed, forming natural power is selected as the primary energy source for its adaptability, high efficiency, and suitability to coastal conditions—it barriers to mitigate flooding, prevent erosion, and support healthy water cycles. These plantings also promote biodiversity by creating habitats for birds, insects, and other wildlife, strengthening ecological resilience. Architectural typologies integrate seamlessly into these landscapes, creating inviting public spaces that remain comfortable even during rainy periods. The modular system supports flexible, community-led uses, such as learning centres, gathering spaces, or event venues, whilst fostering capacity building and knowledge transfer. Hands-on training in bamboo cultivation, processing,

System configurations

Linear Economy



Environmental System Benefits

Composed of two Typology 3 modules arranged in a U-shape and connected by flexible photovoltaic modules. This layout allows the building to adapt to the terrain and respond to controlled flood zones on one side, while creating a social space on the other. Some species include: Intsia bijuga, Decaspermum vitiense, Hibiscus tiliaceus, supported by native sedges (Rhynchospora, Fimbristylis)

Composed of the fundamental two-pentagon module, it is designed to function as a holistic ecosystem for birds and native species, with both the roof and panels serving as habitats to support and promote local biodiversity.

Configured with Typology 1, utilising two main modules, this layout establishes a central area for production, integrating small crops and gardens.

The primary module, consisting of two pentagons, is engineered to harvest rainwater and store it in standardised tanks with capacities from 1,000 to 14,000 litres. Its adaptable design enables the seamless integration of both natural filtration systems and advanced reverse osmosis filters, ensuring a reliable and safe water supply.

Economic System Benefits

Utilising Typology 2 in a compact layout, this configuration serves as a versatile module that generates energy, harvests rainwater, and establishes a productive core for cultivating crops like taro, cassava, breadfruit, bananas, coconuts, and yams. Additionally, it incorporates a dedicated social space to foster community interaction.

Typology 4 integrates modular photovoltaic units to form a central hub, while productive activities and water collection are efficiently arranged along the two flanking sides

Using the primary two-pentagon module, this configuration focuses on energy production by connecting to nearby homes, trees, and taller structures, ensuring photovoltaic modules are ideally positioned for

maximum solar energy efficiency.

Social System Benefits

Organised in a Typology 5 layout, the Vertical Axis Wind Turbine (VAWT) is a central feature. The design includes centralised water collection and an open roof, ideal for VAWT installation. This setup enhances energy harvesting, efficiently capturing and utilising wind power for sustainability.

Typology 5 in Phase 2 transforms into a versatile community centre, featuring full coverage for rain protection while maintaining natural lighting at its core. This multifunctional design generates energy and collects water

in perimeter tanks, ensuring resilience and

Typology 3 showcases a central U-shaped design that harmoniously blends with its surroundings. Perfect for outdoor community meetings, presentations, communal meals, and other shared activities, it fosters connection and collaboration.

A typology derived from Typology 2 offers flexibility with a U-shaped design by incorporating modules in varying positions. This configuration is ideal for creating three distinct centres, each dedicated to a unique social purpose, fostering adaptability and community engagement.

