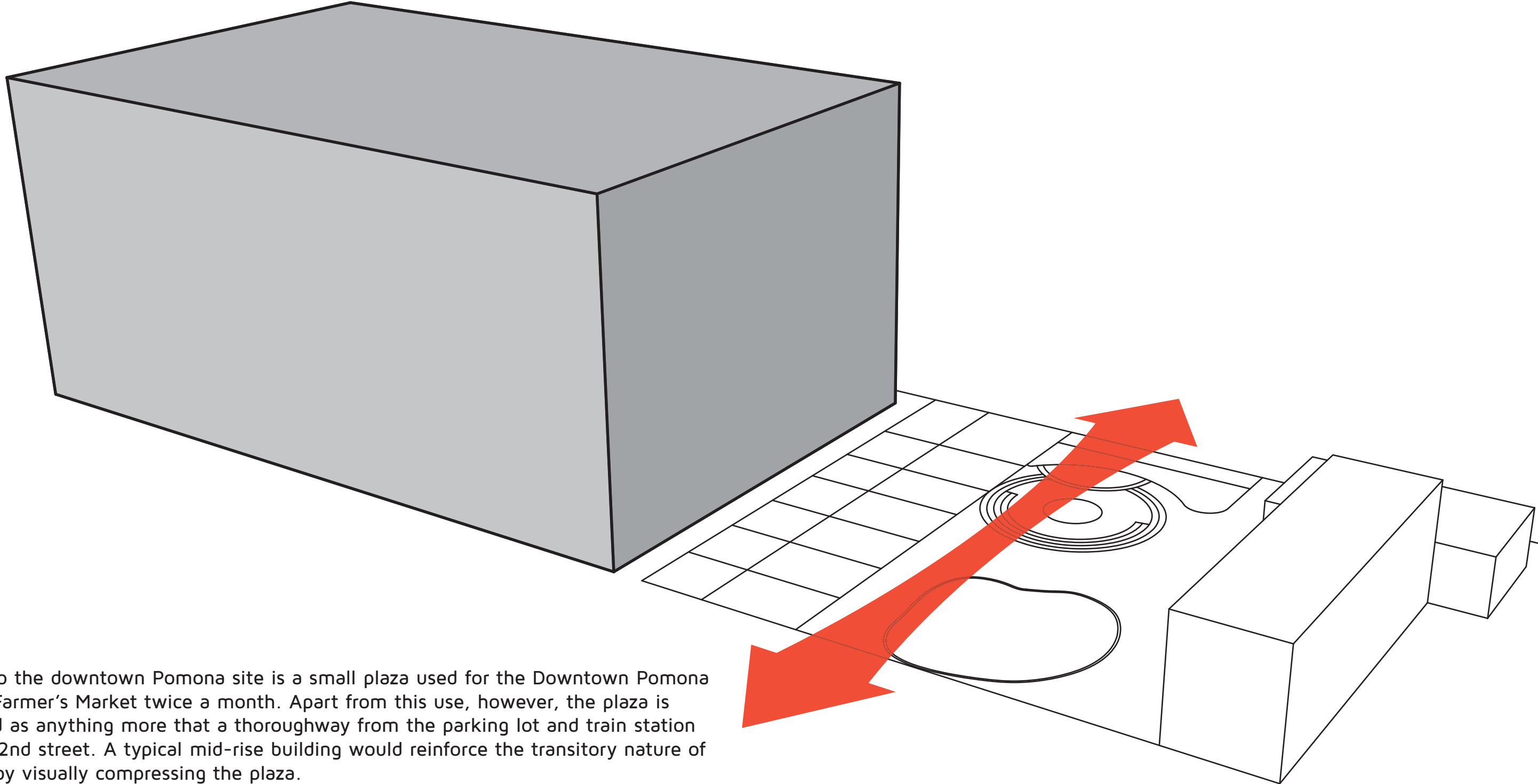
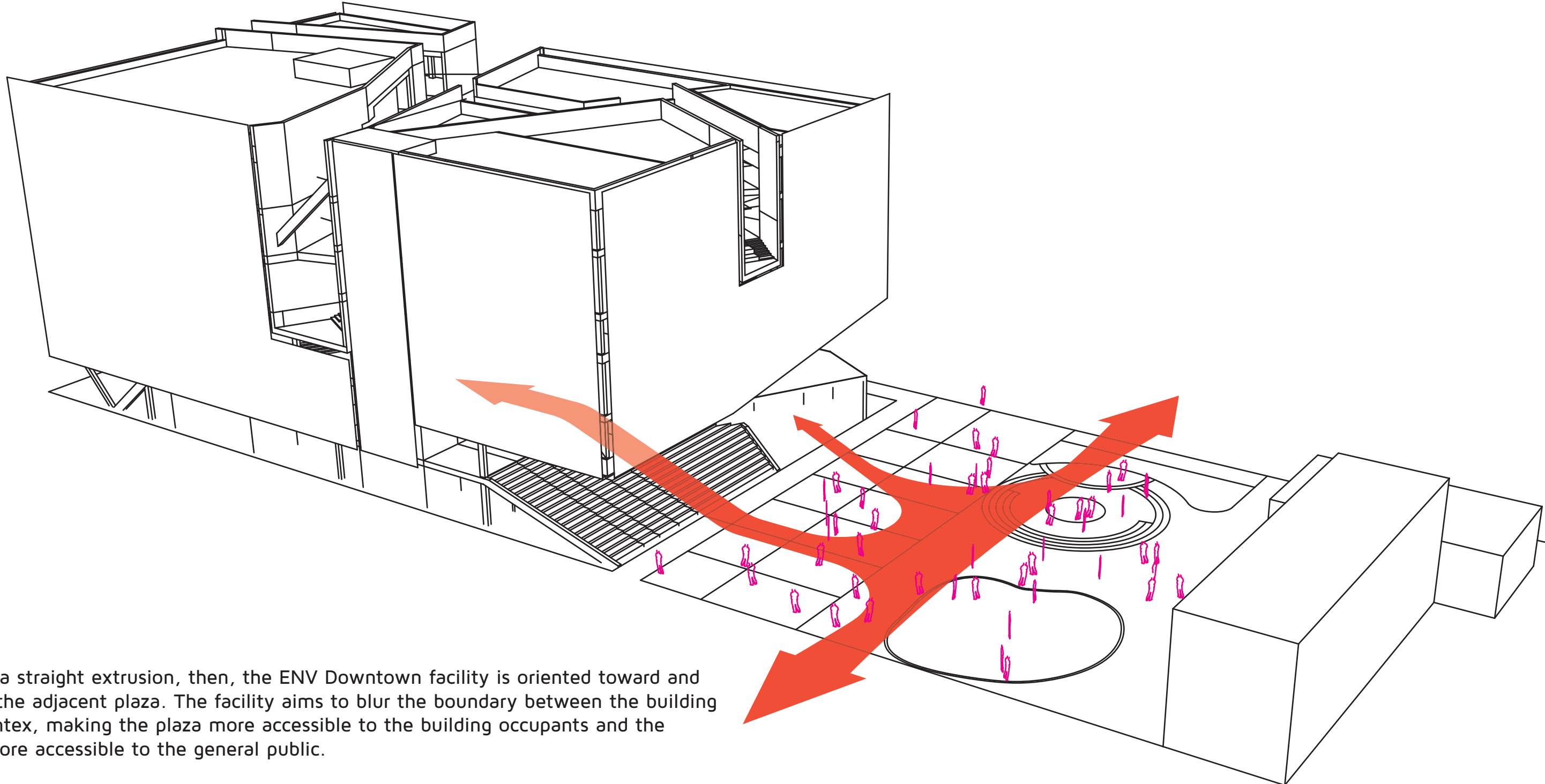


# ACTIVATING THE SITE



Adjacent to the downtown Pomona site is a small plaza used for the Downtown Pomona Art Walk Farmer's Market twice a month. Apart from this use, however, the plaza is rarely used as anything more than a thoroughway from the parking lot and train station behind to 2nd street. A typical mid-rise building would reinforce the transitory nature of the plaza by visually compressing the plaza.



Instead of a straight extrusion, then, the ENV Downtown facility is oriented toward and embraces the adjacent plaza. The facility aims to blur the boundary between the building and its context, making the plaza more accessible to the building occupants and the building more accessible to the general public.