



Mothers' Club Family Learning Center Pasadena, California

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Green School Building
Renovation/Addition/
Restoration

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OWNER/CLIENT

Mothers' Club Family
Learning Center
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Type of School
and Grades Served:
Early Childhood,
Infants through Pre-K

Capacity:
82 students/72 parents
Size of Site: 25,000 square feet

Area of Building:
10,000 square feet

Space per Student:
125 square feet

Cost per Student: \$31,250

Square Foot Cost: \$250

Cost of Construction: \$2.5 million

Total Project Cost: \$6.5 million

Contract Date: Architects-Mar.
2006/Contractor-Feb. 2007

The mission of the Family Learning Center is to help prepare families living in isolation and poverty to succeed in school and in life through two-generation learning.

To provide a high-quality learning environment that would support these goals, the organization made the decision to relocate from its former residence of 40-plus years to a new green facility that was designed for LEED Gold certification. It is the first independent preschool nationwide to achieve certification at the Gold level.

A 10,000-square-foot factory was completely gutted and renovated. The design allows inherent flexibility for a variety of activities and programs for different age groups within the same set of spaces. Included in the comprehensive redevelopment of the site was the transformation of half of the asphalt parking lot into a safe and colorful play area. ■



INTERIOR VIEW OF CLASSROOMS



CORRIDOR CONNECTING ADULT & CHILDREN AREAS



EXTERIOR WITH PHOTOVOLTAICS

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