



Profiles in Architecture



CHILD & FAMILY CENTER

SANTA CLARITA, CALIFORNIA

The Child and Family Center is a non-profit agency providing counseling and support to troubled children and their families. A new facility was required to bring together offices all located in various rented buildings in the community.

The design objectives of this project were to reflect the strength and compassion of their work in the image of the architecture. A concrete masonry building provided this image, while allowing the construction economy necessary to meet a prudent budget.

Simple, economic use of concrete masonry provides interest through contrast of material textures, and colors. Split faced block forms the building facade base, while precision block defines the upper walls. Openings for doors and windows are strong and clean, and are framed in contrasting split faced verses precision faced concrete masonry block.

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Nibbelink Masonry

BLOCK PRODUCER:
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