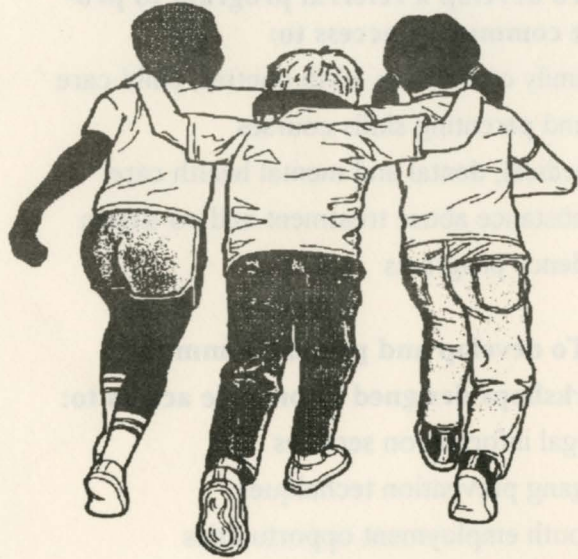


### *Our Mission Statement*

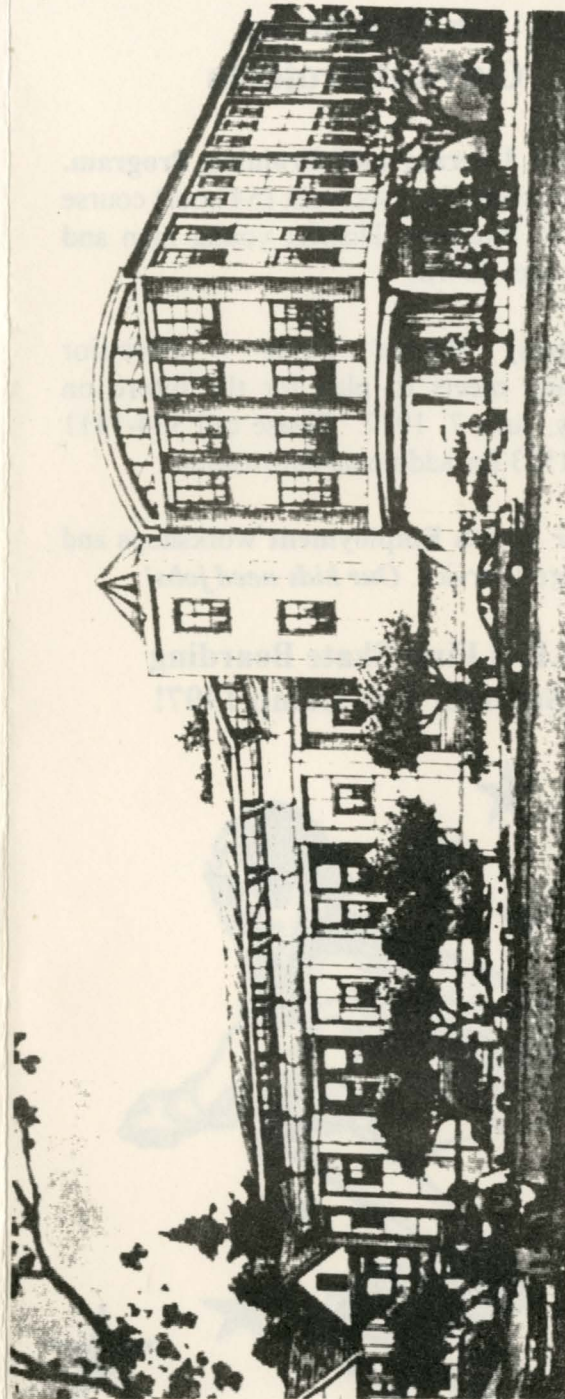
*"The Excelsior Youth Club will serve as a community based multi-cultural organization devoted to continually addressing the concerns of youth. Our goal is to provide positive programs as alternatives to violence, drugs, abuse and vandalism. We will also address the responsibility of youth to the community."*



The Excelsior Youth Club has been at the forefront of providing leadership to the community for many years. They have also demonstrated over and over again the ability to bring together the divergent groups from many backgrounds. During times of severe tension in the neighborhood, the E.Y.C. under the leadership of Jim Espinoza and others within the organization, has successfully been able to bring about reconciliation and the unrest has been dramatically reduced because of these efforts.

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Architects rendering of the Excelsior Youth Center provided by Pan Asian Neighborhood Design

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## A Brief History of the Excelsior Youth Club

Founded in 1980, our first efforts included:

Sponsoring four summer youth employment mural projects from 1980 to 1982. Hosted mural celebration party and low rider exhibit at the Excelsior Playground Summer 1982.

Dormant from 1984 until 1993 when in response to violence in the community the club was revitalized.

Annually hosts a Christmas Party, an Easter Egg Hunt and other holiday events for neighborhood children.

Sponsors Basketball tournaments and community gatherings at Excelsior Playground.

Initiated and led movement for a Youth Center in the Excelsior. **MAYOR BROWN WILL TURN THE FIRST SHOVEL AT THE GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY, SOMETIME IN MAY 1997!**

In the summer of 1996 the EYC pioneered San Francisco's first official skateboarding program at James Denman Middle School. More than 1850 San Francisco skateboarders were highly enthusiastic about this program. **As a result of the success of the 1996 program plans are underway to build San Francisco's first official Skate Boarding Park in Crocker Amazon Park in the Excelsior!**

## An Update on Current Projects

**Computer Literacy and Training Program.** The pilot project is a six week (54 hour) course offered to Excelsior District young men and women, ages 13-18.

**Community Round Table** - Excelsior community meets to plan for the future on Saturday, June 7, 1997. Please call 334-1411 or 334-1523 for additional information.

**Summer Youth Employment** workshops and jobs referral service. *Our kids need jobs!*

### S.F.'s First Skate Boarding Summer Day Camp 1997!



## Looking Ahead at Our Plans for the Future

♦ To develop our computer literacy and training pilot project as a permanent year round program.

♦ To develop a referral program to provide community access to:

- ♦ family counseling, birth control, child care and parenting skills courses
- ♦ medical, dental and mental health care
- ♦ substance abuse treatment and co-dependency programs

♦ To develop and present community workshops designed to provide access to:

- ♦ legal information services
- ♦ gang prevention techniques
- ♦ youth employment opportunities
- ♦ links to public support systems
- ♦ education resources regarding advisory services, grants and loans

**Our office is at 4841 Mission Street, between Russia Avenue and France Avenue, close to Onondaga Street.**

*Please call us at 334-1411 or visit our office for more information.*

*The Excelsior Youth Club is an all volunteer organization.*