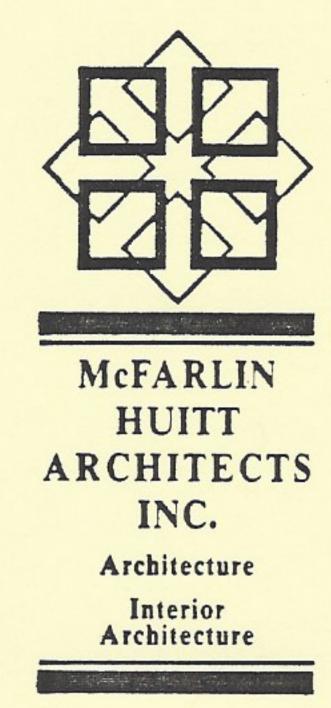
PROJECT PROFILE

NASHVILLE COMMUNITY CENTER for NATIVE AMERICAN INDIAN ASSOCIATION of TENNESSEE

PROJECT MISSION STATEMENT

Provide a site adequate to accommodate a ceremonial Pow-wow grounds, with public event parking for at least 500 cars. Construct a multi-purpose structure to house NAIA administrative offices, community meeting room, research library, and exhibit museum. Construct permanent parking for the Community Center; reserve adjacent site area for an historic village exhibit.



All components of the project are to be appropriate to serve the special needs of local Native Americans and promote public awareness of their unique culture. The design should express the wholistic relationship of the past, present, and future. The Community Center should be architecturally identifiable as a Native American facility.

DESIGN RESPONSE

The proposed layout of the conceptual 10-acre site responds to the ancient spiritual concept of the "Circle of Life". The configuration of the Pow-wow grounds--including parking--radiates out from the ceremonial central Drum.

The architectural expression of the 6,500 square-foot Community Center structure is intended to evoke a sense of animation, of shelter given form by the earth but drawn into the sky. It is to be constructed from common native materials such as wood and stone, with emphasis on balancing architectural principles of economy, durability, function, and form. A fabric entrance canopy makes reference to the traditional structures used by nomadic Indian tribes of the region. Environmental support systems are to utilize state-of-the-art energy-efficient technology.

CONSTRUCTION COST

A conceptual evaluation of probable construction cost is outlined below. These costs do not include costs for land purchase, environmental assessments, or legal fees.

Pow-wow grounds and event parking:	\$ 200,000
(assumes minor site clearing, electrical power, no pavement)	
Community Center building:	\$ 800,000
Community Center parking lot	\$ 35,000
Community Center furnishings, moveable equipment	not included
Architectural fees	\$ 50,000
Misc. Expenses (Land Survey, Geotechnical Report, Document printing)	\$ 15,000
SUBTOTAL	\$ 1,100,000

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