

Boy Scouts of America Orange County Council Headquarters
Santa Ana, California



The challenge in designing for the new headquarters of the Boy Scouts of America Orange County Council, was to create a meaningful and memorable environment that was reflective of the values and history of the Boy Scouts, while remaining mindful of today's youth and a modest construction budget. The design solution created a space that visually expresses the resourcefulness and ingenuity that is at the heart of Scouting. Simple, common building materials were assembled in a creative manner with expressed connections and detailing. Many materials typically found at the local builder's supply store, including fluted plastic, zinc coated metal and plywood were assembled in a new and unique manner for both interior construction and custom designed furnishings throughout. The goal was to create a resourceful, engaging assembly

of materials that would be worthy of a Boy Scout's merit badge.

Color and graphic design also played a major role in defining the look of the project. A bold color scheme derived from traditional tones found in Scouting uniforms was employed throughout the space, while a custom graphics program created by our in-house graphic design team, resulted in a design statement that was harmonious with the interiors. The program incorporates directional signage, donor plaques, honor walls and vintage photographs. A new Heritage center features graphic displays that celebrate not only the history of the Scouts, but contemporary honors and achievements, while a 45-foot custom designed mural depicts the famous Boy Scout motto.

Client	Boy Scouts of America
Size	40,000 sq.ft.
Stories	Two
T.I. Cost	\$30/sq.ft.
Contractor	Miller Contracting Company
Completed	January 2005