

HISTORIC RESOURCE: GLENDALE Y.M.C.A.

LOCATION: 140 North Louise Street

OWNERSHIP: Public

USE: Social Organization

LAND AREA: 41337 square feet

ZONE: C3-III

**DESIGNATION: Glendale Register
National Register**

YEAR BUILT: 1926

STYLE: Spanish Colonial Revival

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

The first Glendale Y.M.C.A. appeared in the City in 1919. Expanding its membership in the early 1920s, the "Y" by 1924 sought a permanent home for its activities. In September of that year the organization waged one of the most successful fund-raising drives in the history of Glendale, by enlisting the aid of Ernest L. Mogge from Y.M.C.A. Headquarters in New York. Mogge organized a drive that only lasted eight days and ended with the successful pledging of its goal, \$275,000. Soon after this campaign, a site was secured at Wilson Avenue and Louise Street. The cornerstone was laid in 1926 and the building was completed in that same year. The architect of the new structure was the Pasadena firm of Clarence L. Jay and Lincoln Rogers. The resulting design was another example of the Spanish Colonial Revival style.

With the opening of the "Y's" new addition in 1974, the old building now serves as the location for their general offices, living facilities, and special physical education classes.



