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# ANTHONY MUNOZ COMMUNITY CENTER ONTARIO, CALIFORNIA

Anthony Munoz Community Center combines wood, steel, plaster, glass, and concrete masonry units (CMU) materials to imitate the ridge line of the distant mountains and harmonize with the surrounding community.

The stack bond pattern of the CMU's use gray 8" x 6" x 16" burnished units with intermittent bands of split face block in a contrasting color. A tile mural decorates the zigzag east wall and plays an important part in honoring the Ontario community.

CMU wall provided a natural sound barrier. Due to potential noise levels in the pool area. CMU was a project necessity and provided the needed mass to create sound mitigation enclosure. This approach created the perfect framework for utilizing CMUs, a natural material rising out of the ground to enclose and secure the pool area space.

The choice of CMUs as the main wall material was based on the need for a durable, maintenance-free, and structurally sound material, appropriate for a public community building that would receive a lot of use and could withstand significant wear and tear over time.

## Owner

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Ontario, CA

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