

THE RESURRECTION PROJECT

Social activism has shaped Pilsen since its inception as an industrial district along the Chicago River in the 1850s. Immigrants in the densely populated community found support through settlement houses, churches and labor unions. Since the 1950s, Pilsen has been a Mexican-American neighborhood where generations have worked to create a healthy neighborhood that is proud of its Mexican roots.

The Resurrection Project (TRP) is one of many organizations working to improve local quality of life. In 1990, six parishes contributed \$5,000 each to start TRP; that seed money has leveraged \$169 million of reinvestment.

TRP's ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE:

Developed more than 350 units of affordable housing.

Convened the Pilsen Planning Committee and published the Pilsen quality-of-life plan.

Trained hundreds of community leaders to work for social change.

TRP's BOLD PLANS INCLUDE:

Developing holistic health programs, including a school health center at Orozco Academy.

Creating affordable housing so that residents can stay in the neighborhood.

Preserving Pilsen's culture as a center of Mexican life.



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COMMUNITY SHOWCASE TOURS

The Burnham Plan Centennial's Community Showcase Tours introduce new audiences to the unique stories and bold plans of Chicago's neighborhoods. Told through the voices of community leaders and residents, the tours cover these six neighborhoods:

ALBANY PARK Chicago's Gateway to the World: *A legacy of culture, nature and movement on Chicago's Northwest side.* **HOSTED BY:** North River Commission www.northrivercommission.org

AUBURN GRESHAM Rebuilding a Classic Chicago Community: *Using our people and assets to make a great place great again!* **HOSTED BY:** Greater Auburn-Gresham Development Corporation www.gagdc.org

PILSEN Discover Pilsen: *Healthy, vibrant and organized!* **HOSTED BY:** The Resurrection Project www.resurrectionproject.org

QUAD COMMUNITIES From Civil War to Civil Rights and Beyond: *Come experience the second urban renaissance in the capital of Black America.* **HOSTED BY:** Quad Communities Development Corporation www.qcdc.org and Bronzeville Visitor Information Center www.bronzevilleonline.com

SOUTH CHICAGO From Pollution to Solution: *'LEED-ing' the way in the Midwest!* **HOSTED BY:** Claretian Associates www.claretinassociates.org

WEST RIDGE Gateway to India in Chicago: *Explore dynamic diversity and global connections on Devon Avenue.* **HOSTED BY:** Indo-American Heritage Museum www.iahmuseum.org and Chicago Cultural Alliance www.chicagoculturalalliance.org

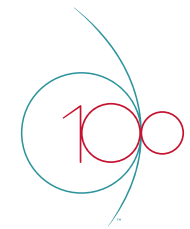


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1. **El Zócalo**, a “town square” where the community gathers for special events; future site of La Casa student dormitory. *1818 S. Paulina*
2. **Galería del Barrio Murals**, started in 1976 during Chicano movement. *Rail viaduct on 16th St. between Loomis and Racine*
3. **Battle of the Viaduct**, site of 1876 labor protest by industrial workers. *Halsted and 16th Street*

4. **Alivio Medical Center and Casa Morelos**, “campus” of community-built facilities that will also include Casa Maravilla senior housing. *Morgan and Sangamon north of 21st Street*
5. **18th Street**, spine of Pilsen; nearby sites include Casa Aztlan, St. Procopius, Thalia Hall and small businesses. *18th Street from Halsted to Damen*
6. **Plaza Tenochtitlan**, central plaza includes Rudy Lozano Public Library, Radio Arte and monument dedicated by Mexico City mayor. *18th, Blue Island and Loomis*
7. **Benito Juarez High School**, built as a result of community advocacy and now gaining a \$25 million addition. *Cermak east of Ashland*

8. **Instituto del Progreso Latino**, provides job training and placement, English language classes, alternative high school. *2570 S. Blue Island*
9. **St. Paul Church**, magnificent Gothic cathedral built by church members in 1897-99; the parish started a credit union to help members buy homes. *22nd Place at Hoyne*
10. **Harrison Park**, flanked by Orozco Academy and its mosaics on the north and the National Museum of Mexican Art on the south. *1824 S. Wood*

