UNITY UTOPIA: A CENTER FOR HARMONY

The project aims to address the impacts of historic systemic racism and its effects on the **North Minneapolis** community, focusing on increased crime and violence. The proposed solution is the creation of a youth center focused on **violence prevention** that offers alternative forms of therapy and conflict resolution.

The center is part of a larger network of affiliated facilities and is designed to be anti-institutional, reflecting the community it serves. The building's architectural design includes a **conflict resolution hub, alternative forms of therapy**, and a central exhibition gallery that provides restorative experiences for at-risk youth. The project's goal is to invest in prevention rather than punishment, with the hope of making a positive impact in the community by addressing the root causes of conflicts.

The proposed location for the youth center is a vacant lot, and the project's approach to violence prevention through architecture and emotional healing offers a unique and holistic solution. Overall, the project's design and proposed solutions could serve as a model for other communities facing similar challenges.



















