

## II. PROPOSED PROGRAM

1. Century Housing proposes to establish a public charter school at the site using the existing buildings and classrooms. It is anticipated that only minor, primarily cosmetic, renovations would be needed. Century Housing has sponsored the establishment of two public charter middle schools in the City of Inglewood, California. The two schools combined serve 600 middle school students.

The need for this location is specific, as the Desiderio campus is uniquely suitable to the charter school plan: there are existing classrooms, a large open space, and external shed building. This configuration meets the school needs as follows:

An introduction to construction will augment the academic curriculum. This component will utilize the resources of the Century Community Training Program. The open space and external shed building would house and be used for the CCTP, which combines classroom and hands on train. The hands-on component is a build up and tear down segment and would utilize the open space to construct a small-scale structure, which is then torn down.

2. The proposed school would be California Education Code standards based. Within the state standards based curriculum, an emphasis would be placed on preparing students who have an interest in attending any one of the U.S. military academies (U.S. Coast Guard Academy, The Marine Academy, the U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, U.S. Military Academy/West Point) for professional careers in the military. The school's graduates would be better prepared for Officer Candidates.
3.
  - a) The goal of the school is to raise the academic achievement level of under performing students who seek careers as officers in the U.S. Military forces.
  - b) There is no need to expand the existing facilities.
  - c) The proposed program is not the result of a requirement to meet or comply with established state standards.

d) Applicant does not currently possess real estate suitable for this program.

4. Not Applicable

5. The charter process is approximately 4-12 months. The charter for Century Academy for Excellence was obtained in four months.