





## Culver City Community Library and Light Rail Station



The urban strategy of this project integrates hybrid elements in section. The main program elements that compose this project are retail and community center on the first two levels, a light rail station on a plinth above, and the library hovering over an elevated plaza that serves as access to the station. The library is supported by three sets of angled columns acting like a matrix. The main building envelope is composed of perforated aluminum panels providing diffused light at library level. These panels are interrupted to reveal panoramic views across the I-10 freeway to the Hollywood Hills. Light reaches the open plaza through the light wells open at the library level as well as through an opening on the south side that also provides access to the rooftop of the neighboring building. These openings allow for diverse experiences and visual continuum within the programs. The street level is activated by a retail linear element that is interrupted so that pedestrians can move through a vegetated on-grade parking lot and recreational park adjacent to the community center. The hybrid program brings diverse types of users that would revitalize the area. The building acts as a landmark for Culver City and creates a sustainable environment where pedestrian, vehicular, and light rail traffic coexist.

