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CB Two Architects, LLC was recently honored at the AIA Salem Award's dinner receiving two project awards. They were awarded the Honor Award for Salem Alliance Church's Youth Center Remodel and the People's Choice Award for Broadway Commons.

Salem Alliance Church had previously been using a building for their middle and high school activities that had once been an auto repair shop then an electrical warehouse and eventually a beauty supply store. They wanted the building to have a new look with more flexible space. The 2,700-sf structure needed an exterior that attracted youth without detracting from the craftsman style homes of its quiet surrounding neighborhood. CB Two Architects along with CB Two Construction transformed the space from a labyrinth of rooms and exit corridors to a fresh, vibrant and contemporary environment with exposed steel, original concrete flooring, and maple veneer paneling.

With Broadway Commons, Salem Alliance Church wanted a mixed-use building that embodied the church's commitment to the Grant neighborhood surrounding them. Envisioned as the intersection between commerce, church, and community, the building could not appear liturgical. The exterior materials are directly tied to the variety of interior functions. The building includes a floor-to-ceiling glass window in its fourth floor prayer center and generous canopies along with large glazing for the first floor retail space.