

## 67-004-01 Greenbelt Center School

## 15 Crescent Road

## **Greenbelt** (City of Greenbelt)

Built in 1937, the Greenbelt Center School is an L-shaped, concrete block building, a striking and outstanding example of streamlined Art Deco style. The main facade is ornamented with curved aerodynamic struts alternating with bas-relief panels sculpted by Works Progress Administration artist Lenore Thomas (1909-1988). These panels illustrate the preamble to the United States Constitution. The school was one of the first and most important buildings constructed in Greenbelt, one of three cooperative garden communities built in the New Deal era. Converted into a community center, it is a significant contributing element in the National Historic Landmark community of Greenbelt, and is protected by a preservation easement held by the Maryland Historical Trust.