

## WOLSKE PLAZA HISTORY

### 580 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio

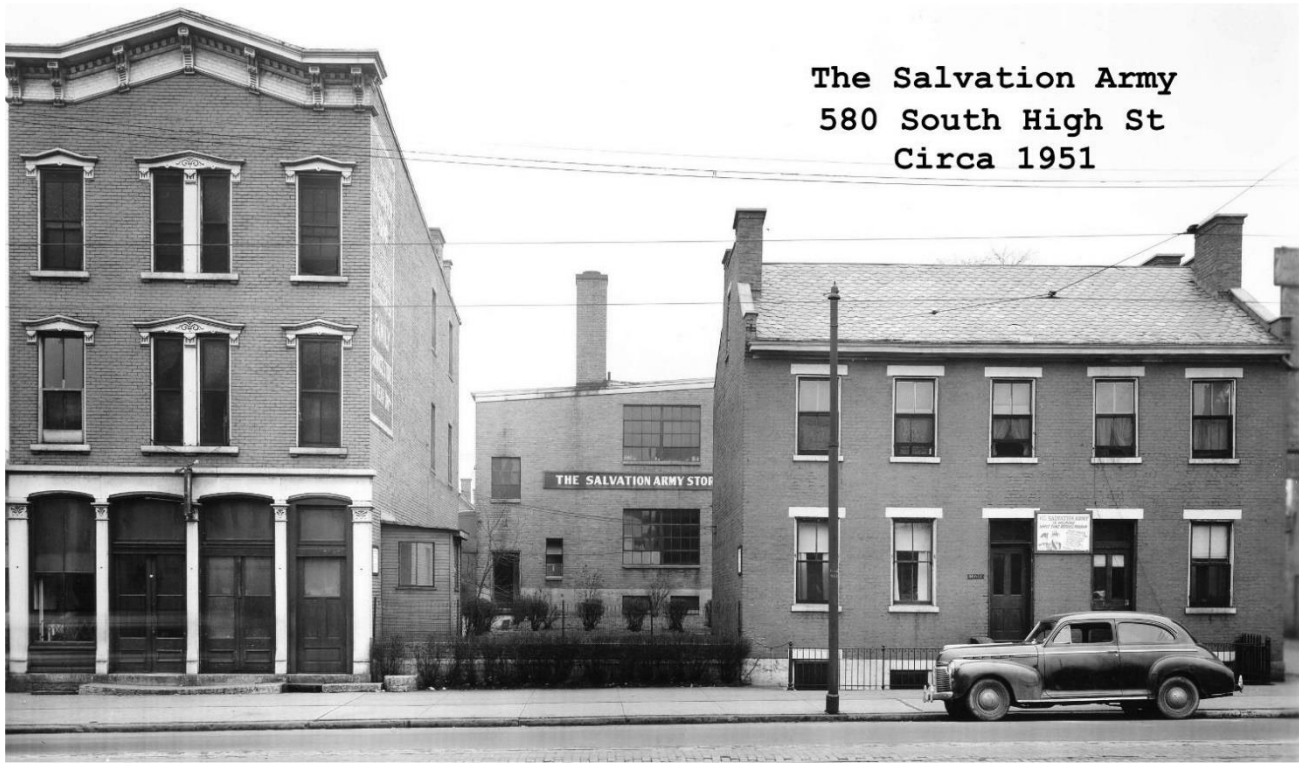
In December of 1977, Walter "Cy" Wolske, Jr., envisioned the possibilities provided by a city-wide block of dilapidated vacant buildings and empty lots that had been owned by the Salvation Army since 1923. While he was on site, Cy, an attorney, captured the condition of the property on 35mm slide film. Four of those photographs are shown on this page.



Photos restored and digitally enhanced by Greg Wolske

On January 6, 1978, the property was purchased by Cy Wolske and partners of the newly created 580 South High Company for \$300,000. By the end of 1979, a completed 60,000 SF office building with two levels of parking had replaced the former run-down eyesore.

The photographs below are vintage shots of the original buildings on the site.





Cy Wolske is the last of the original partners and he is now sole owner, as well as manager of the building along with his son, Greg Wolske. In recognition of Cy's history with the property, 580 South High Street is now named, Wolske Plaza.

