

Paint it

Students, alumni and staff of the White-Williams Scholars of Philadelphia came together to paint a mural on a graffiti-covered wall at the Fishtown Recreation Center. The activity was to heighten their understanding of the restorative justice aspect and transformative power of murals in the name of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

White-Williams Scholars is a nonprofit organization that offers social, academic and financial support to high-achieving low income Philadelphia high school students. The program also provides many civic engagement opportunities for them.

The project was made possible through the program's partnership with Arts Sphere Inc., which seeks to bring the power of art to underserved youth throughout the Delaware Valley.

The mural project was the culmination of weeks of learning about murals and understanding their impact.