Projects: **Community Beautification**

Creating partnerships throughout communities to beautify public spaces and engage stakeholders

Auburn-Gresham Church Mural
Projects: Collaborative Exhibitions

Working to connect communities through collaborating with local businesses, community centers, churches and events.
We Teach: Reflections on Art and Equality

- Telling stories through portraiture
- Challenging stereotypes
- Directly engaging students
- Exhibit across the city
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Potential Spaces for Culture

Legend
- RELIGIOUS SPACES
- LIBRARIES
- SCHOOLS

Data Sources: City of Chicago, Institute for Library Statistics, Illinois State Board of Education, ESRB
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6 Initiatives in the Plan:

- Increase cultural participation by increasing accessibility.
- K-12 arts education
- Cross-pollinate culture across the city.
- Strengthen the capacity within the cultural sector.
- Ensure vibrant cultural spaces for cultural organizations, groups, artists, and neighborhoods.
- Attract and retain artists through a priority on sustainability.
Underlying Issues and Skepticism...
Community Cultural Liaison:
Bridging the Grassroots Cultural Activism + Public Policy

RESPONSIBILITIES:
- Cultural mapping
- Identifying need
- Determining how Plan serves each community
- Regular stakeholder meetings
- Documentation and data collection
- Creating partnerships
- Putting the Plan into action at ground level

PROJECTED OUTCOMES:
- Increase cultural participation
- Improve economic opportunity
- Save money and resources
- Improve access to culture
- Increase communication and collaboration
- Increase cohesion and identity