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Press Release

**Piedmont High School Students Create Art
for Human Services Building**

MONROE, N.C. (May 15, 2018) – In opening a new Human Services building, county leaders realized the building provided a blank canvas. They knew that they wanted a community led public art effort and reached out to the art students of Piedmont High School’s Tracy Price.

Given a blank canvass to create art evocative of what Human Services should be, the students committed to creating pieces that represented the people served while focusing on their humanity not their demographics.

The art work was unveiled at a dedication ceremony on May 14.

“Our students had a wonderful opportunity to learn about the process of creating and installing art. At the same time, they have processed what the art not only means to them but will mean to the thousands of their neighbors who will engage with it,” said Piedmont High School teacher Tracy Price.

“This project absolutely hit the mark,” said Deputy Human Services Director Janet Payne. “In both process and outcome, we are engaging the community and showing how we serve all of Union’s residents with dignity and respect.”

The art work can be viewed on Union County’s Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/UnionCountyNC/>. A video about the partnership and project can be viewed on the County’s YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/user/UnionCountyNC1/videos>.

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