



## Community Rejuvenation Project



The Community Rejuvenation Project (CRP) in Oakland, California is an association of artists in Oakland, California that works with youth and other community members to revitalizing abandoned buildings, neighborhoods, and other public spaces. In its own words, "The Community Rejuvenation Project cultivates healthy communities through beautification, education, and celebration. We achieve this mission through experiential programs that promote professional development, artistic and cultural expression, and community empowerment." CRP is known for its colorful and unique murals, which often feature social justice themes surrounding issues of diversity, immigration, civil rights, and the experiences of indigenous peoples. When describing the CRPs projects, founding member Desi W.O.M.E says that "...we're targeting the most blighted areas; the places that the owners aren't taking care of. We're going out transforming these places to give them new life" ([Rejuvenating the Community, one mural at a time, Oakland North, October 26, 2011](#)).

The organization runs youth-art employment programs that encourage youth to transform their neighborhoods while gaining art and organizing skills. The California Arts Council recently funded the CRP's after-school mentorship, which teaches students about street art and assists them as they create their own works of art. CRP also involves videographers, musicians, and many other artists and performers in their community based projects.

Check out the following videos, articles, and slideshows of CRP Projects:

### Videos:

Black and Brown Unity Mural at the Life Garden:



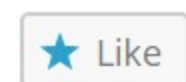
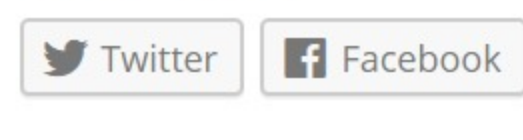
Time Lapse Video of the Mural Project at the Oakland Green Youth Arts and Media Center:



### Articles/Resources:

- [Community Rejuvenation Receives "Artist in Schools" Grant](#), Oakland Local
- [Peace by Piece](#), Wiretap Magazine
- [Cafeteria's New Mural Promotes Healthy Living](#), Green & Gold
- [East Bay Community Rejuvenation Project Mural Map](#)

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