



**Curry County
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Attention All Patriotic Artists!

What do you get when you take an old parking garage, add walls, and desks? You get the County Annex Building – the location of Commissioner meetings, tax payments, building permits, and other general county services. What do you get when you add art? A cultural attraction for visitors to explore and the artists to be proud of -- the Veterans Mural Project, Phase 1.

Curry County is seeking youth groups, art classes, artists and other interested parties to paint Veteran related murals on the inside walls of the County Annex. “We are a county that honors veterans, so we decided our theme should be Veterans”, noted Board of County Commissioners Chair, Christopher Paasch, who was recently appointed by the President last week to the National Veterans and Military Services Committee. “We want people engaged in county government, and this is a good way to introduce youth, or other interested parties, to what happens in our building. We also hope to add some more art to our cultural inventory”.

Interested parties are asked to propose a scope of work that will be reviewed by Commissioner Sue Gold, Veteran’s Service Officer Anthony Voudy, and Director of Operations Julie Schmelzer. The available wall space is approximately eight feet in height and varies in widths. There is no charge for the ‘canvas’, but artists must supply their own paints and tarps. All painting must be done during normal business hours, which are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If interested, contact Schmelzer at the Board of Commissioners’ Office or by e-mail at schmelzerj@co.curry.or.us.

Why is the project called ‘Phase 1’? It is the county’s intent to inspire building owners and artists to partner together to create more visual art in Curry County.

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