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The Art Bus—Bringing an Art Program to Youth at St. Paul PHA's Mt. Airy Community Center

In June 2015, the PHA entered into an agreement with Art ASAP, Inc., to provide a ten-week mobile arts-based program at the Mt. Airy Community Center. Under the leadership of Mary Carroll, Executive Director, The Art Bus offers high quality arts experiences to under-served youth by delivering the studio, professional artist-mentors, and supplies to students where they live. The goal is for mentors and participants to develop meaningful relationships while participants create a portfolio of artwork. The Art Bus provides a two-hour art class each week, and is geared to students in the 4th through 8th grades.



McDonough 12-Plex Groundbreaking Event

On July 9, 2015 the PHA celebrated the beginning of construction on 12 new townhome units at its McDonough Homes public housing development. The development now has 580 townhome rental units that were originally built for low income families in 1952. The two new buildings at McDonough Homes, to be built on Jackson Street, will provide housing for 12 additional families. Construction is expected to be completed by March 31, 2016.

Speakers at the groundbreaking event included Minnesota Housing Commissioner Mary Tingerthal; City Councilmember Amy Brendmoen; Chao Lee, Senior District Office Representative for Congresswoman Betty McCollum; Meagan Bachmayer, Outreach Director for Senator Amy Klobuchar; PHA Commissioner Missy Thompson; PHA Commissioner Kevin Lindsey; Maxie Rosenbloom, PHA resident; Executive Director Jon Gutzmann and PHA Construction Program Manager Dave Lang.



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