



# Building Hope Through Art

*Engaging in Scholarship with Community*

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# Purpose

- To construct after-school art programming at a community-based center for the purpose of training pre-service art teachers in an alternative site of art education.
- To conduct research on the art programming's effects on the young learner's resiliency.
- To create a collaborative project amongst the young learners that demonstrates an impact upon the community.

# Community Partner



## Building Hope Community Life Center

- A faith-based community organization
- Provides after-school programming for low socio-economic status youngsters in grades K-10.



# Problem

- Community-Based Art Education
- Resilience



# Research Question

- What are the effects of community-based art education programming on pre-service art education teacher preparation and on the resiliency of young learners?

# Population

- K-10 afterschool program participants
- Art education pre-service teachers



# Methods

- Mixed-Methods Design
  - Pre- and post-test resilience instrument
  - Arts-based educational research
    - Focusing on narrative storytelling



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- After-School Art Programming
  - Friday afternoons for 1 hour
  - Undergrads design and deliver muraling lessons
  - Youngsters collaborate to propose mural design
  - Peers decide on winning design through presentation to mock civic organization
  - Mural is painted

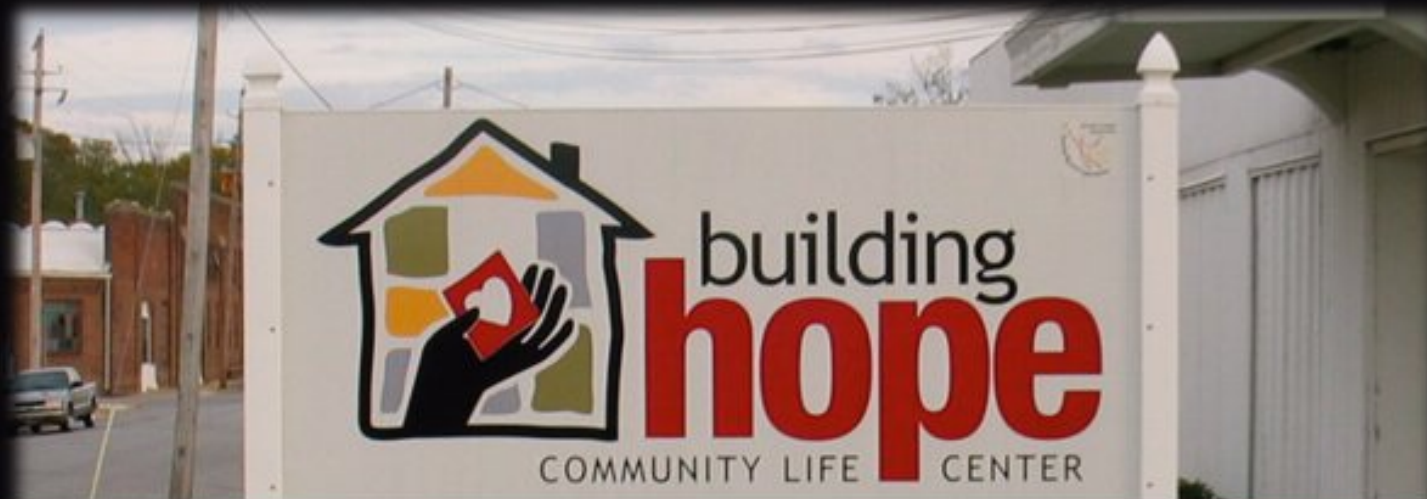
# Impact

- Community
  - Free art instruction
  - Beautified public space
  - One-of-a-kind experiences
- Profession
  - Peer-reviewed literature regarding community-based art education and resiliency
  - Mentoring Student Engaged Outreach Scholar and EC Scholar in research

# Impact

- ECU's Strategic Action Plan Direction
  - The Arts, Culture, and Quality of Life
    - “Strengthen regional access to learning opportunities in the arts.”
    - “Partner to improve the preparation of PK-12 teachers and support the arts and humanities education in the public schools.”





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