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ART MAKING A DIFFERENCE ON MLK DAY

PHILADELPHIA, PA - - - Art Sphere Inc. welcomes volunteers to help make the Fishtown Recreation Center a better place for the community on MLK Day, Monday, January 20 from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. The activities will celebrate the legacy of Martin Luther King as volunteers join together to accomplish what one person could not do alone.

Volunteers will paint over graffiti and restore ongoing murals, brighten benches, poles, and playground equipment, sweep and clean trash from the surrounding park and playground, create cards for soldiers and senior citizens, and most importantly, make the Fishtown Recreation Center a safer, brighter, and happier place to be. Volunteers in past years have said, "I feel like I have changed someone's life by just painting a wall."

Each January, tens of thousands of people across the tri-state region join together to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. by turning community concerns into volunteer action in the largest King Day event in the nation. This is an officially recognized event through Global Citizen (globalcitizen365.org), the host of the Greater Philadelphia Martin Luther King Day of Service.

Founded in 1998, Art Sphere Inc., a Philadelphia-based non-profit, uses art as a tool to empower individuals to take civic responsibility and restore our neighborhoods so that communities can provide safe and nurturing environments for all of their residents. Volunteers are welcome to join Art Sphere for this event at the Fishtown Recreation Center, 1201 East Montgomery Ave. in Philadelphia. Pre-registration is encouraged by calling Kristin Groenveld, Executive Director, at 215-350-1968, through email, kristin@artsphere.org, or www.volunteermatch.org/. More information and directions can be found at www.artsphere.org.

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