

The submission for the mural contest was created during a collective creative process by the residents of Ocean's Harbor House STLP. The process was in part facilitated by a staff member at the STLP. The staff member introduced the FYSB Mural Contest to all the residents at one time. The theme, "Realizing Youth Potential" was given to the group and then each individual was asked to contemplate the theme and translate it into an image on paper. The idea to combine all the images was part of the creative process amongst the group. An artist to render the images into a cohesive piece of art was elected from the group of residents. All images were discussed and explained by each individual and how they related to the theme. Each image and its meaning was jotted down by a member of the group. Their descriptions were as follows:

Hands/Stars- Reach for the stars

Ladder- steps we take to reach one's potential

Colors- to brighten an empty canvas giving it the potential to be great

Wings- Spread your wings

The Word Potential in Stars- it's placement at the fingertips, means its within our reach

Astronaut- Commitment and dedication

Atmosphere- openness

Water on the mountain- sometimes going with the flow is best

Ladder to stars and world in palm of hand- means dreaming big.

The artist with the direction of the group then combined the all the images to the final result.