

Teen Talk  
Basic Center Program  
Kenosha Human Development Services

## THE STORY OF US

This Mural represents Teen Talk as a group. We come from all different walks of life and are currently in different stages of life but together we create something meaningful, creative and beautiful. Our mural shows that we can accomplish great things when we put our mind to it, be consistent, and work as a team. Our mural will inspire the community, bring people together and have a positive impact on youth. We plan to hang it out in the community so it can be enjoyed by all.

Our mural is all about symbolism, the tree represents the group as a whole. The leaves represent each individual, and will be made of puzzle pieces designed by each youth personally. We are working on a quote that will be on the final mural. The bird represents bondage as it starts out on the ground with a tie around its wing. The bird can't fly due to this. The bird is then seen again working the tie loose and beginning to fly. Towards the end of the mural you see the bird flying high and free. The bird is an expression of how we as youth are struggling through life trying to find our way. Many of us have been mistreated, used, abused, self-harmed and have so many other issues. We are resilient, we use our resources, participate in group, and try to use our coping skills to stay positive and cope with this thing called life. It is amazing to be a part of something bigger than yourself.

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