

The Climate Hub Project

Rotarians are sometimes just what is needed to move from an idea to a project. This is what happened with an idea for a climate hub. The idea of a climate hub is to create a space in a well-used community space to inform the public about what is happening locally with climate change.

The idea is to take a space and first put up a mural painted by community members, and then fill the space with information about pollinators, planting forests, stream health, forest fire smoke other issues pertaining to climate change. The notion is that community groups will take a 3-4 month period and put up information about their interest. For example, the Rotary club is interested in putting up information about their efforts to create and maintain pollinator pathways. And, how individuals can create their own pollinator gardens.

To move this idea to a project the club provided two basic resources. First, the club provide the first donation. (The first donation is always the hardest.) Second a Rotarian provided the needed resource which was to get the wall primed. One of the members David Halbrook is a retired painter. He volunteered to prime the walls.

Volunteers like these keep the project moving. Roatrians make things happen. Once the wall was primed the mural artists had a “canvas” to work on.



In the first picture, Dana Campbell a local resident is showing her idea for the climate hub. In the second picture, Dana and a few friends put up a draft of what the wall might look like.

The third picture shows the wall primed and ready for the mural. The picture can't show how much of a difference the wall makes with its new color. Even just primed, the wall reflects light and brightens the entire space.

The next step is to finalize the mural design and paint. If everything goes perfectly, a big if, we will be painting on Earth Day. Stay tuned for more information