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Arts and Crafts

Projects involving arts or crafts are a great way of bringing people together while creating something that benefits others – here are some examples of art activities from previous years!

- Volunteers from Meals on Wheels in County Carlow sat down to create greeting cards for their clients. Now, whenever it's someone's birthday they have a ready homemade card to give them.
- A group of neighbours in County Waterford sat down to knit for Oxfam. The group downloaded various patterns from Oxfam's website and sent the finished products off to Oxfam to sell.
- A graffiti artist in Dublin involved a local children's group in designing and painting a mural, which they now proudly guard from unofficial graffiti artists.
- Corporate volunteers from Pfizer projected images of inspirational figures, like Martin Luther King Jr., on to the walls of a centre for early school leavers to enjoy.
- Irish model, Vivian Connolly, teamed up with a creche in Ballyfermot, Dublin 18 to complete a new mural. The mural was designed by a volunteer artist and local children and was donated to the Ballyfermot Family Resource Centre.

CASE STUDY:

Mayo Mural Painting

INITIATED BY:

Western Care Medical Group

WHERE DID IT TAKE PLACE:

St. Joseph's Vocational Centre in Castle Bar, Co. Mayo.

WHAT TOOK PLACE:

People with special needs volunteered to paint a mural based on the four seasons.

OUTCOMES:

These paintings were given to the Meals-on-Wheels organisation based out of the vocational centre and still remain there today.



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