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DePaul service program, painters union partner for service project

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DePaul's Personalized Recovery Oriented Service program recently partnered with apprentices from the International Union Painters and Allied Trades to provide community service hours as part of the union's apprentice training.

The students' first project was DePaul's City

Center in Rochester.

"This partnership gives our apprentices' field experience with a seasoned instructor, without the pressure to perform like on a contractor's job site," said Michael Fitzgerald, training coordinator.

DePaul's City Center has been open nearly 10 years, and the updates were much needed

and appreciated, said PROS Director Kathy Curtis-Rubin.

"This is a win-win situation," Curtis-Rubin said. "It allows us to continue providing services in a beautiful, now spruced-up environment, while providing the apprentice men and women an opportunity to hone their skills under the supervision of the painters union."



RIGHT: The Finishing Trades Institute of Western and Central New York provided the labor and equipment free of charge for the DePaul City Center project. DePaul provided the paint. PHOTO

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