A POCO NEW DEAL

PAINT THE COUNTY!

Define a new community space!

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Lokre Companies, in partnership with the creative talent behind Mikey’s and A-soshel, is reimagining the Plover Shopko as Artists & Fare, a community hub for high-end drinking, dining, and entertainment.

To establish the feel of this soon-to-be hotspot, the project will showcase two art installations: a large-scale mural covering the east-facing wall of the building and a sculpture set as the centerpiece of a green space that will run up to the facade.
HOW TO APPLY

ROLLING APPLICATIONS

This project is part of CREATE Portage County's "Paint the County" initiative, a New-Deal-style investment putting un- and under-employed artists to work during COVID-19. Artists, designers, studios, and teams are encouraged to apply and may submit multiple concepts for this project. Visit createportagecounty.org/paintthecounty to access active calls and additional information. Prior to applying, applicants should prepare:

- images of your concept (preferably depicted on the space),
- an explanation of the concept and its goals,
- a budget, budget narrative, and timeline for the completed work,
- 5 - 10 images of part work or completed installations, and
- 2 to 3 references who can speak to the quality and timeliness of your work.

Submissions will be reviewed as they are received and the selection committee may choose to set up interviews with finalists. This program is committed to finding the right art, artist, and message to activate unique places in this moment. While anyone is eligible to apply, we do offer special encouragement to artists financially impacted by the coronavirus, artists from identity groups that are underrepresented in our public spaces, and/or artists with personal connections to our community. Please share such information in your application.

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Some people look for a beautiful place. 
Others make a place beautiful. 
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