

Legacy Mission Village

Nashville, Friday, May 1, 2026

Hello, friends and partners!

In April, some of our Citizenship students took a **trip to the state capitol**, our Journey students created **art about how they see social media**, Legacy's facility got **organized** with the help of an awesome volunteer group from HCA, and an evening **talent show** (Journey Showcase) by our high school students kept our month full.

Let's start with Legacy's trip to the capitol!

State Capitol with Citizenship Students



For the first time ever, Legacy took a field trip to the state capitol. Nine of our citizenship students and three of our staff got to walk the halls of our state capitol, meet one of our

students' state senators, and see what they are learning in class come alive where it all happens. We are planning to do more trips in the future and expand to other classes and student groups!



This is a continuation of our dedication to helping our families to not just become citizens, but know how to be active members of their new state and nation. We're excited to see these trips continue!

Journey Students' Art

This month, some of our Journey students created art about how they see social media and its impact on their life. The exhibit was organized by Rutherford County Schools and Wired Human.

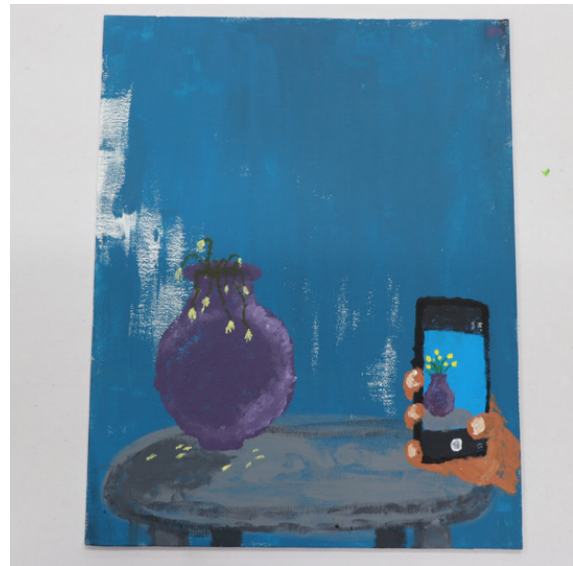


The students really enjoyed having the chance to express how they felt about this huge piece of their lives through art.

Check out their insightful pieces below! My personal favorite is "filter" (check out the difference between the phone screen and the vase).



"Bright Screen"
by Mudhia



"filter"
by Lily and Nhin



"Social black hole"
by Shalom

(her note said: Social media is sucking identities, illustrated by my fingerprints)

HCA Volunteer Day



April is National Volunteer Month, and we were excited to be able to host a team from HCA Healthcare that transformed our storage room —sorting through years of supplies and creating a space that's organized, accessible, and supporting our work (instead of holding us back).

It's a project we simply didn't have the bandwidth to tackle on our own, and the impact on our staff and programs has already been incredible.

We're grateful to HCA Healthcare, to Greger Peterson for coordinating, and to every volunteer who gave their time to serve our Village!

Journey Showcase (Annual Talent Show)

Our 2026 Showcase was a huge success! We celebrated our graduating seniors and got to hear students' speeches and see talents of all sorts demonstrated. Our theme for the year,

"Transformation", highlighted how our students have grown and matured over the last four years.



First Presbyterian Church of Nashville was kind enough to host us in their wonderful space. We are especially thankful to the church and the Presbyterian Women for decorating the space where the Showcase was, providing a delicious dinner for all of our guests, and giving each of our seniors a beautiful gift. We are truly grateful for their continuing partnership.

Candid and Charity Navigator Ratings



We're proud to share two recent recognitions that reflect our commitment to transparency and accountability.

Legacy has earned Platinum status on Candid (formerly GuideStar), the highest designation for nonprofit transparency, and has been elevated to a four-star rating on Charity Navigator, which is awarded to a select group of nonprofits based on financial health and accountability.

These ratings are independently verified—and they're our way of saying: you can trust how we steward your support. Check out the profiles below!

[Charity Navigator](#)

[Candid Profile](#)

2025 Impact Report

Keep an eye out for an additional email this month, featuring our 2025 Impact Report. It should be out in the next couple of weeks!

May in the Village

Stay tuned for our May edition! It'll be a month of transitions, celebrations, and graduations as our semester wraps up. You'll definitely want to see pictures from our KRP graduation!

Thanks for reading! See you next month!

— Abigail

Thank you for being part of the Village!
— *Legacy Mission Village Team*

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