

"BLACK LIVES MATTER" STREET MURAL ON SANDRA BLAND PARKWAY TO BE COMPLETED TODAY BY CITY OF PRAIRIE VIEW, PVAMU STUDENTS

Prairie View Mayor David Allen chose to have the permanent mural in place by Juneteenth.

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas (Friday, June 19, 2020) – The City of Prairie View is on schedule to have its "Black Lives Matter" street mural completed today. Several Prairie View A&M University students— undergraduate and graduate—joined faculty and staff from the School of Architecture's Fabrication Center to bring Mayor David Allen's idea to reality.

By the end of Day 1, the volunteers completed painting the northbound lanes of the street mural on University Blvd, or Sandra Bland Parkway. The southbound lanes are being painted today. Mayor Allen chose this location as a permanent mural because it was where Sandra Bland was arrested in 2015.

Each letter of the design stands 12-feet wide by 19-feet tall.

Read the background story in the **PVAMU Newsroom**.

For a link to drone footage and pictures, click this <u>link</u>. The usage requires a mandatory courtesy: "Prairie View A&M University."

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