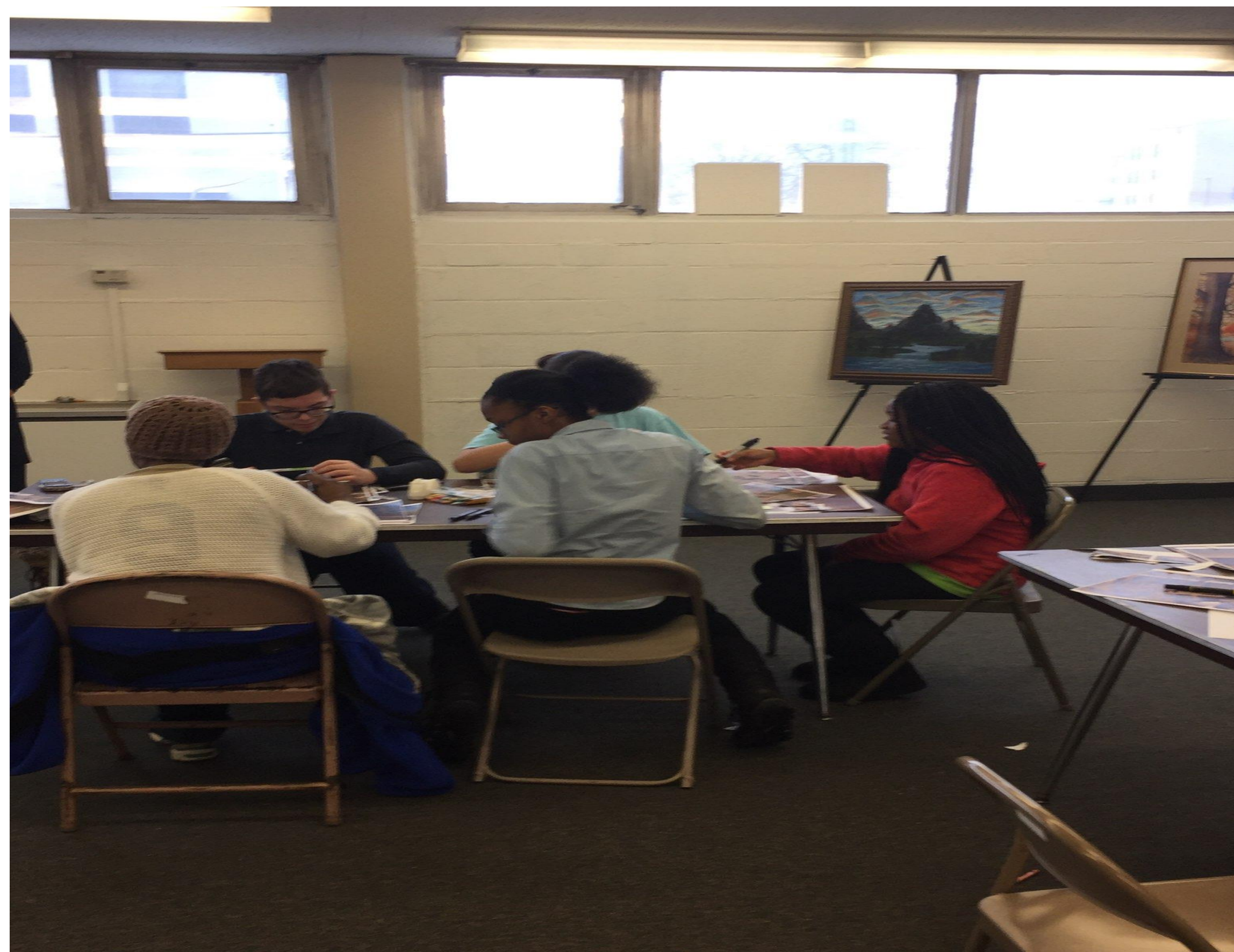


HOMELESSNESS IN CLEVELAND

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Intro

We are particularly concerned about the homelessness in Cleveland. According to the Cleveland Metropolitan Schools there are about 2,646 who are homeless in schools.



Facts

- There are more African American homeless people than any other race.
- There are about 486 youth children that are homeless in high school.
- According to the NEOCH, 4000 to 4300 people go homeless every night.

Observation

Ms Lou and Ms Nina talked about how the challenges of being homeless. Both residents talked about not having enough privacy and that there is really nowhere to relax or sit outside. This supports our observations that we made walking around the shelter. We saw no benches and no green space.



Survey

The Cleveland Plain Dealer conducted a series of interviews, December 7, 2017 on homeless people in Cleveland. One person interviewed, Chris, was 36 and lives in a men's shelter in Cleveland. Chris was near the airport, at an exit ramp. He has mental health issues and has been unable to find and keep a job. Another person was Jan, told us she started panhandling after her husband died unexpectedly 6 months ago. She lost everything including her car and she is living in a shelter.

Recommendations

Some recommendations we suggest are

- supporting the homeless shelter by providing clothes and other item
- Another suggestion is to make Payne Ave more welcoming and inviting by creating green spaces by planting trees and flowers, adding benches and more lighting to the area.



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