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“CHILDREN IN CAGES” TEMPORARY MURAL INSTALLED IN CITY OF SAN FERNANDO

SAN FERNANDO, CA – On January 7, 2021, local artist Lalo Garcia installed a temporary “Children in Cages” mural in the City of San Fernando. The temporary mural pilot program and inaugural installation was approved by the San Fernando City Council in September 2020, and is in support of a coalition of artists using art to keep the “Children in Cages” policy in the forefront of the national policy discussion.

The eight-foot by eight-foot installation depicts children in a room behind a physical chain link fence and was placed on the City-owned wrought iron fence located in the Civic Center Parking Lot (corner of First Street and Maclay Avenue) facing the bike path.

“San Fernando is joining a coalition of artists from Las Cruces, NM, San Antonio, TX, Sacramento, CA, Los Angeles, CA and other large cities to keep this very important issue at the forefront of national conversation,” said artist Lalo Garcia.

Mayor Sylvia Ballin expressed her support of the mural program:

“The San Fernando City Council is honored to partner with local artist Lalo Garcia to bring awareness of the continued federal policy that keeps immigrant children in cages. This temporary mural installation is part of a new pilot program being developed by the City to allow murals in public places.”

This temporary art installation is expected to be on display at its current location until March 2021.

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