



June 2016

Peace Pole Unveiled

Morrison and community members gather

On Friday, May 20, 2016, Morrison Child and Family Services staff and community members assembled to dedicate a peace pole to commit to promoting peace throughout their communities and the world. The pole is located at Morrison's Sandy Boulevard location and the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" graces it in eight languages. The peace pole was provided by The Rotary Club of Portland and the Jubitz Family Foundation. "Peace poles remind us of the innate human longing to live in a world that is safe and free from violence and trauma," said Drew Henrie-McWilliams, Morrison's Chief Executive Officer, who presided over the event. "Peace is as simple and subtle as how we treat ourselves. Any and every time we are hurtful...we can forgive ourselves, and others and choose to carry peace into the future." Read about the [Peace Pole Project](#).



Where I'm From

by Morrison youth

I am from a rough childhood
Yelling and slamming doors.
I am from holding my emotions and
punching walls.
I am from pod and video games.
From the Ross's and the Evan's.
Also from anger from my family arguing.
I am from no trust.
From Mac and Cheese and hamburgers
From camping in the yard a lot and from



listening to music.
I am from those moments...what makes me, me.

Ali's Story

From chaos to recovery

Ali was 8 years old and had been sexually exploited and severely abused by family and community members. Violence and drug use surrounded her. When she began therapy, her group behavior was disruptive and she had spells of inconsolable crying. Ali believed that anyone who expressed care for her would eventually hurt her.



As Ali became more comfortable in counseling, her artistic expression moved from chaotic to recognizable shapes and patterns. Eventually, Ali was able to acknowledge that the abuse was not her fault. She no longer hurt her body and negative self-talk became positive affirmations. When asked about her hopes for her future, Ali responded, "I want to be a momma so I can teach (my) kids what my mom didn't know, that love is not supposed to hurt, love helps you rest and not be scared anymore."

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