



## *Framingham health center adds artwork*



**Artists, local residents, patients and staff from the Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center in Framingham gather at the start of a reception held Wednesday evening in honor of National Community Health Center Week. More than 100 people were given an opportunity to tour the recently renovated facility and view the original artwork donated by The Art Connection of Boston.**

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FRAMINGHAM — The Edward M. Kennedy Community Health Center is now a little more colorful.

The Waverly Street clinic has added a permanent collection of original artwork, donated by Art Connection, a Boston-based nonprofit. Some of the artists joined local officials, patients and staff for the unveiling during a reception Wednesday.

“We wanted to celebrate our enhanced capacity to serve hundreds of new patients since our larger renovated facility opened in October,” Antonia "Toni" McGuire, the center's president and CEO, said. “Our medical team and support staff are privileged to serve thousands of patients who come to our health center each year seeking high quality, affordable health care. This beautiful artwork is a perfect (complement) to our goal of promoting overall health and wellness, not just treating illness. We wanted to create an environment that is inspirational, respectful, and comforting.”

Art Connection's mission is to enrich and empower underserved communities by expanding access to original artwork.