

A few months ago, a group compiled of different people came together to paint the East African Community Center in City Heights, which was in need of refurbishing. I had been contacted by one of our corporate partners, UPS, who was looking for a volunteer project. At the same time, I had heard about the community center and its needs.

The good will of everyone involved and a commitment to get the job done made it work. So did the trust in each other and the willingness to give up personal time on a Sunday.

I'm a nurturer and a connector. I have learned over the years that my strength comes from seeing possibilities in each and everyone I meet and from my ability to forge mutually beneficial connections. Others would say I bring loyalty and tenacity.

The core of the group was that everyone came without any expectations for themselves. Each member was very respectful of the other and provided help to each other without personal benefit. It was a feel good project with tangible benefits.

By sharing positive stories with others, we can encourage similar efforts.

The world would be a better place!