

Stop and Ponder

Location: Mechanic and North Harrison Street

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Artist: Eric Sutton

This was the first traffic signal box that was completed. This box is at the intersection of Mechanic & North Harrison Street and was completed in 2019. Eric used Alliteration to capture the motorist's attention and emphasize learning and education in all forms. He wanted to convey gaining knowledge to empower people of all ages to grow and improve their life. He visited the site and quickly realized he needed to keep it simple and eye-catching because of the amount of traffic and the speed of the cars. He chose to use bold lettering on a bright color field and then used acrylic transfer silhouettes to add some imagery to the text.

About Eric

Eric Sutton has both his Bachelor and Master's degrees from IUPUI Herron School of Art and Design. He's been the art teacher at Loper Elementary School for twenty-five years. If he had to choose an art medium as his favorite, it would be painting. He was nominated for the Fresh StART program through Arts for Learning and helped bring a new mural to the entrance of Loper Elementary.