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Hi Mayor,

I hope the Project VISION meeting went well.

I want to let you know that Adam Sancic reached out to me and we have a meeting set up for Monday at 1:00 at his office in Middlebury. Matt and Kristen will be coming with me. I did not let Denise know nor has he copied her. I also got an e-mail from Joanne Calvin, very unprofessional I must say, asking me to make sure she is included in the list of invitees for the bigger meeting.

I want to share with you the concern my HQ has about holding a public forum. If we open it up to anybody and everybody, all sorts of people will come out of woodwork. Anti-immigrant, anti-anything. They suggest that the forum be invite only but make it as wide as possible. Work with faith leaders, United Way, etc... Perhaps, we could go back to the Congregational Church and continue the conversation there.

Attached are the talking points we put together. You can pick and choose which parts you share with which audience(s) but overall they are strength based! Both in terms of what Rutland has to offer and what refugee resettlement brings/could bring to the community.

What a day! Hope tomorrow is a more positive day for all of us.

Best,
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Please see below! Denise and Martha have breached our agreement, yet again! I know Diane Derby spoke to Denise yesterday but clearly, that has made no difference. As you can see below, I explained what our plan was and they took it