

From: [Miller, Elizabeth](#)
To: [Schuren, Alyssa](#)
Cc: [Mears, David](#); [Moulton, Pat](#)
Subject: Re: Urgent - support letter for federal grant proposal
Date: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 2:46:55 PM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Great thanks all for looking into it

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On Jul 16, 2014, at 2:45 PM, "Schuren, Alyssa" <Alyssa.Schuren@state.vt.us> wrote:

Pat- We recommend supporting this project. It turns out that David Ruben of Capstone requested a letter of recommendation from our staff last week, which Cathy Jamieson, Director of our Solid Waste Program provided. With DEC on board already, it makes sense for you to support the project solely.

I look forward to meeting with you on other topics later this month, and thank you for reaching out to us on this topic. -Alyssa

<[image001.jpg](#)>

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From: Mears, David
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 9:03 AM
To: Moulton, Pat
Cc: Schuren, Alyssa; Miller, Elizabeth
Subject: RE: Urgent - support letter for federal grant proposal

Pat: Thanks for checking. At first blush, this looks like a great project. I want to do a little checking since I know one of the partners has had some compliance issues with us, GrowCompost. Alyssa or I will look into this today and get back to you before the close of business. Assuming there are no issues, I would be interested in joining in support of this proposal. David

From: Moulton, Pat
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2014 8:15 AM

To: Mears, David; Miller, Elizabeth

Subject: Fwd: Urgent - support letter for federal grant proposal

Good morning Liz and David,

I received the request below from Capstone, formerly Central vt community action, for a letter of support for a Grant they are requesting from the US human services agency. The grant would fund training and business start up for low income individuals in the composting, recycling sector.

Before I agreed to this,, which I'm inclined to do, I wanted to check with you to see if you were aware of this project? Are we putting any other funding into it? And do you have any concerns about my supporting?

Please let me know!

Pat

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Begin forwarded message:

From: David Rubin <drubin@capstonevt.org>

Date: July 16, 2014 at 7:22:58 AM EDT

To: "pat.moulton@state.vt.us" <pat.moulton@state.vt.us>

Subject: Urgent - support letter for federal grant proposal

Good Morning Pat,

I fear I may be trying to reach you while you're out of the office, but I thought I'd try one last time (please scroll down for original email). A letter from you will really strengthen our proposal. If you happen to get this today, we're not submitting until Fri am, so it's potentially not too late, if you're amenable. Otherwise, hope you have a great summer and I'm sure we'll talk soon.

Best, DR

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From: David Rubin
Sent: Monday, July 07, 2014 9:53 AM
To: 'pat.moulton@state.vt.us'
Subject: support for federal grant

Good Morning Pat,

Hope you're doing well today.

First, I haven't had the opportunity to congratulate you on your recent appointment. From my professional perspective, I can't tell you how encouraging and hopeful it feels to have you in this role.

The reason I'm emailing today: we are applying for federal resources on behalf of a statewide partnership to do job creation through business expansion/start-ups, serving primarily low-income Vermonters (see attached abstract). It's a really exciting proposal that focuses on the opportunities in composting, food rescue, organics diversion and recycling related to Act 148, the Universal Recycling Law.

We're hoping you'll be amenable to providing a letter of support by this coming Friday 7/11. I've taken the liberty of attaching a draft letter for your consideration. Feel free to get back to me with any questions and feel free to make revisions – we just minimally need to demonstrate that you're behind the application and that you're willing to make appropriate referrals.

Of course, if this project gets funded, we'll be in touch about implementation and we can discuss the finer points then. In the interim, hoping you'll help bring these resources to VT by signing a letter of support and emailing it back to me as soon as possible.

Thanks in advance!

Warm Regards,

DR

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