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Fwd: Community Oregon Camp - Follow Up & Reimbursement Info

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Greetings Community Oregon Colleagues!

I hope everyone had a pleasant (or at least uneventful) trip home. I know some returned home excited and eager to share, while others may be still wondering what in the world just happened to them out there in Warm Springs, still others are tending to a devastating loss that occurred during their absence.... whatever your re-entry was like, I'd like to just remind you to continue to take care of yourselves through your transition back into your home communities and be patient with whatever you are feeling. You can pretty much be assured that you are not alone in whatever joy, confusion, sadness or euphoria you may be experiencing in the wake of our time together, and I hope you will use one another as a resource in sorting through it all.

I wanted to follow up on a few things before too much time goes by:

1. Mileage Reimbursement: We will be sending out checks for your round-trip mileage from your listed home address to Kah-Nee-Ta next week. Please let me or Linn (linn@healthydemocracy.org) know if there are any special circumstances we need to know about (e.g. if you carpooled, etc.) before the checks are written.
2. Linn will be sending a contact list for the entire group (home address, email, phone) to the rest of the group in the next couple of days. Please let him know if you do not want your contact information included on that list (other than email, which by virtue of this message is already being shared). Thanks!
3. Urban/Rural Exchange Planning: Please visit the following link to let us know what you are planning for your community visits (dates, etc.) - that way we can have a sense of what is happening and also offer our help and support as needed going forward:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GXXM7WG>
4. We will be posting some of the content(slides, articles, notes) from the Community Oregon Camp program on the Healthy Democracy website if you'd like them in electronic format - give us a couple of days and it will be up there for you to download if you wish: www.healthydemocracy.org/communityoregon/participants
5. Last but not least, the Healthy Democracy board met for 2 days after your meeting and wanted to get a date-certain established for our November gathering (we are feeling optimistic about funding!). To that end, we'd like to propose **Saturday, Nov. 4** for the Community Oregon "Expo" in the Portland Metro area (starting around noon or early afternoon). Please shoot me a quick note to let me know if that date doesn't work for you.... I know it's going to be rough to find a date that works for everyone but we gotta start somewhere so let's see where we land with the Nov. 4 option first.

Thanks again for the privilege of being part of your process these past few days - I'm looking forward to what stories come out of your upcoming exchanges, and of course keeping in contact with all of you in the coming months. I gather that Anthony (or someone?) is looking at setting up some kind of social media platform to keep you all connected so hoping you will all take advantage of that.

As always, don't hesitate to let us know if there is anything we can do to support you as your learning journey continues with your Community Oregon colleagues.

Warmest Regards,
Robin

P.S. It wouldn't be me if there wasn't a poem attached, right? So here's my latest offering:

Finding What You Didn't Lose

When someone deeply listens to you

it is like holding out a dented cup

you've had since childhood

and watching it fill up with cold, fresh water.

When it balances on top of the brim,

you are understood.

When it overflows and touches your skin,

you are loved.

When someone deeply listens to you,

the room where you stay starts a new life

and the place where you wrote your first poem

begins to glow in your mind's eye.

It is as if gold has been discovered!

When someone deeply listens to you,

your bare feet are on the earth

and a beloved land that seemed distant

is now at home within you.

~ John Fox ~

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