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He's probably gonna.

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I mean.

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For systems, change.

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But also to will.

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To build, support.

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For this effort as well, so it can't just be the, you know.

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75 people who were engaged in the conversation on that day in April. It has to be everybody in the State informed about what we're looking to do, because the only thing.

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That's gonna happen to make real changes for all of us to be working toward the same ends.

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So, you know, maybe having people on the committee certainly is important. But the bigger goal.

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In my mind is.

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Get people informed, engaged, and supportive.

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Of the effort.

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In a much bigger way than those 75 were on the call to begin, or in the meeting, or on zoom that day.

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Vicki. That's a great point. I'm wondering if there's something.

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What do you all think like? Should we be doing community events where Gage is kind of talked about like at the library? I don't.

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Yeah, I think we're gonna probably have a series of Zoom Meetings.

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But also some in-person stuff happening, and maybe in conjunction with conferences and that kind of thing. And you know we could do school board meetings, but one person from not that district coming into a school board meeting is not going to have.

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Necessarily a positive impact. We need to have people in that district.

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Who are.

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Interested in supporting the effort.

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But they have to be educated about what it is. First.st

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Vicki, this is Kim. Again. I just have a follow-up question. You had so thanks for that information.

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You had talked a little bit about some of your ideas about big systems change.

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Do you feel comfortable sharing some of those ideas at this time, or do you want to hold off.

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I you know I.

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There's a lot.

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Lot of possibilities here that I'd like to talk about. But I didn't put any time into thinking about presenting that at this meeting today.

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Other than the fact that I would like to get everyone else's ideas on it. So I'll pass for now.

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Sounds good.

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We're probably not going to talk anymore about the statewide system. Redesign.

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And we cannot do the election of board officers.

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The only thing will.

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We could discuss.

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Draft budgets is that Leah? Is that okay? Even if it's something they can't. Even if you can't vote, can you discuss an item that's being gonna be voted on someday.

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I'm not sure about that.

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I would lean towards no.

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Because that's like.

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Starting to make a decision.

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I I'm.

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So when we have this next July meeting, whenever that is. And you said that someone else is online now, and we can ask them for their.

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Yes.

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It's Dr. Fowler. Yes.

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Dr. Fowler.

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We're we're wondering if.

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You.

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Can make a meeting either on July 24th or July the 31, st if you could. If you're available for either or both, please let us know.

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Both.

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Both okay.

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So.

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Right now.

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We.

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So we know that we can't have Dr. At either meeting.

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So we can. So I it seems like the 31st would be better.

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This is a Susan. What we're doing is just that the statute requires the D Board to meet in July and hold elections. I think that if if for some reason, so we've scheduled for July 31, st and if for some reason we are not able to hold a meeting, I think we would still be able to show that we intended and.

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Tried, and.

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We could. You know I could talk to the Attorney General if something came of that, that we did our best. So if that's okay, I'm sorry.

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So if it comes down to that, somebody cannot make the meeting, we can't. I can just go to bargaining. So you.

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Yeah, yeah. So I'd prefer not to. But you know, I can be a backup.

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So that we have a quorum right? So that you have a quote. So. And I, I potentially could join via Zoom. You know everything is in in normal. So, but.

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Oh, God, I know you can't have a quorum. So it sounds like July 31st is what we're going to try for.

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Okay.

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We'll talk to Dr. Robin when we can.

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I texted her, okay.

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So our next Board meeting.

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Will be tentatively July 31.st

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Thank you, everybody for patience on this issue. I think if it were any other month it wouldn't matter as much.

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But it does, but it matters just. It's the only required meeting.

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So thank you.

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So, anyway, do you have? Are there other items we can discuss?

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I can see that.

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We have draft budgets.

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Well, and we can't do that, and we can't do the.

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Memorandum of of understanding with united way.

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We are going to start.

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Our planning process.

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They've.

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Py. 26.

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And so.

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I don't know if we have any discussion on that, or if we want to wait till we're all here.

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On, the.

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31, st or even.

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August meeting.

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Well, that's there's a memo here that's really like.

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What the.

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Actual requirement is.

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The Didi Board has no requirement for a 3 year plan at all. You just have to update something every year. So we're what we're doing here is there's a 3 year plan, oops. I'm still on the wrong thing.

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There's a 3 Year Plan.

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And last month, I think.

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Or may.

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Y'all authorized continuing the 3 Year Plan for one extra year, so that will align with the other health plans in this community. But just updating the objectives. So what I did was in one memo.

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Listed the current objectives under well, the current goals which won't change, and all of the objectives which can absolutely change, and then.

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Through that.

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Listed the current funding priorities and.

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Kind of the the.

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Summary underneath each one.

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For the programs that you're presently that, like just July one.

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Restarted funding. So this is about like.

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Does any of this need to be changed? And there are.

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You know. It could be a very long discussion. So what we've done. I put it all together in this memo, just so that you have it in one place, and you might have some discussion today, but I thought for more.

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In depth, input from you all. It might be easier for you to have a survey that points to each of these, and you can react or not react. Every question is optional. So you can.

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Not do it at all, but just.

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Because it's not always easy to sync these things through together.

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And these are really important things. And then the final section is about the application process.

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And so we did add some questions into this one of the surveys. We're gonna send you about the process and the timing of the activities that you engage in.

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To see if things should be changed.

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In order for you to have more confidence when you're making funding decisions, cause it every year. It seems like it comes up very fast.

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And I think we wanna do better with supporting the board and making decisions that y'all are comfortable with.

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So the questions are of that nature. So this memo is just kind of saying, this is what we need to get done.

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Hopefully before November or by November get everything finalized so that we can.

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Set the application process in motion. In December.

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These are.

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Maybe aspirational.

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But

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But anyway.

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That's like.

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You don't have to do anything about it. You could, if you have the energy to discuss any of it today.

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You could. But we're gonna.

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Be bothering you soon with surveys.

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I I think, learning about this, and looking at each priority separately.

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Is, is a process, and it's not to be done during a meeting.

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And so.

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It's it's good for us to be aware of the process and to deal with it on our own time, but not during the meeting.

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So one of the things I was.

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Actually, I just had a meeting with folks at Kelly and Kendall, and.

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Patty at Dse about self advocacy and some of the work that they're doing there.

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So I know there weren't any.

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So there's no applications for self advocacy this year.



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And

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What kind of hit me was like the

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Statement from the disabled advocate in the packet that they'd like to be able to go to advocacy. Events like this person specifically talked about

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Speak up, speak out, Summit, and how they can't afford that, and I feel like.

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That maybe kind of.

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Talking about self advocacy as not just supporting advocacy. Groups like in town.

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To be able to better understand how local government.

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Impacts their lives and how they can advocate.

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I think that aligns well with the engage, like, if we're gonna really make sustained.

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Changes in this, in community.

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Capacity.

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We're gonna have to start listening to folks with lived experiences in our communities. So.

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Like like, for instance, Arpa funds, like what percentage of Arpa funds were.

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Actually focused on.

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Supporting.

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People, with id.

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What? What? That would be, huge amount of money that was invested in the community, and I.

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Wonder.

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What proportion was focused on supported people with idded for just actually done. Done. Yeah, maybe it was intended, but it was what was done from the county's perspective. And the count. I'm just speaking from the county perspective. I know the school district and other folks have had that.

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So I feel like.

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You know, really, maybe tweaking this.

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Or I don't know. Maybe we need to talk more about it, about supporting advocacy.

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With folks in the community. And then I really like this idea of maybe a portion of this is actually sponsoring folks to go to conferences, go to the Arc of Illinois, be able to.

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Interact with folks at that conference, you know. Pay for support providers to do that.

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To support them. Conference. It's very expensive.

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So yeah, I don't know.

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You and the Mental Health Board did approve a contract which could be used for that.

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If people that that's the.

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ID special initiatives contract with the Regional Planning Commission where people can request.

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Quite a bit of money for things like that. So I think the piece that you're talking about is somewhere between. We have a contract. There's

the potential to purchase things for people. And here we are hearing from people about things they want to have purchased for them. So.

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This is the.

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Area. We need to work on right like.

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How do we get those people to get that money.

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I think both right. So like both

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Oh!

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Sorry to quick. I'm like, Yeah,

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So, both right? So having that being able to spend on that special initiative on. But I could see advocacy groups being.

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You know, there's, you know, Structure and an advocacy group. So there are some leaders.

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And part of the leadership of that group needs to be people who are able to without going through a rigmarole.

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Purchase going to a conference.

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That is relevant to their needs. So, for instance, if we have an local advocacy group here, and they have, you know, a leadership.

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So you know, there's a president or chair of the committee vice chair. They're part of their role should be to be able to go to speak up, speak out and fund it, and maybe I'm speaking out of ignorance. And folks I already get that support. I I don't know. Maybe.

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Yeah, no, I think you're right. But I actually think that contract is set up so that it can do that. Am I wrong?

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The contract is set up, the

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People themselves would need to apply. I think what you're saying is as a group.

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They should be able to say, We wanna have 5 people go rather than 5 people applying for the funding.

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In yes, individually.

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There's no limit like that in.

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No, the the that's the way the

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Application was written, and the other thing that the application was written was that it's.

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People who are waiting on list without.

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Funding.

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Through the State.

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And so that also includes people enrolled in Ddb funded programs only. So it's not people with Medicaid funding at this point. That's not the way it was written, so that excludes a lot of people we could.

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Potentially do a contract amendment. But.

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You know, the agency has to be on board with that, because that's gonna increase. And I think the money is also gonna go much quicker. I do know they've done a lot of advertising. Everyone who is

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Enrolled in Ddbfed programs without.

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Wait for funding, and those that are waiting on puns have. If they're over. The age of 18, have received a flyer for the program.

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Obviously, it's the 17th of July. So you know, it's just now starting to get some traction, but they have done.

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That outreach portion.

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So what you're saying really does sound like the solution. This is something we need to kind of put a structure to and ask for in the Py. 26 applications.

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But just so, you know, we learned the hard way that we can't be the.

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The fund for special requests like that.

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We tried it, and it was.

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It was difficult, because it was interrupted by covid and material shortages, but we also got pretty negative feedback from our attorneys about doing it all that it should be done through an agency contract instead of through us as a governmental unit. So we would be looking for a similar application to the one in the Dd. Special initiatives.

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But focused in the way that you guys are talking about where it is open to.

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Groups, we can.

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Absolutely develop some structure like that and hope for an application. I was thinking like, Oh, maybe we could do it right now.

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Well, and I guess I that's what I.

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I was thinking that like this, this.

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Self, advocacy, priority.

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And how we write it.

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Could include potentially some language to support that like, I.

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I know I would love to.

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Learn more about what the eternity is saying, but like they say it's it's not allowed in the statute. So funding someone to go and do advocacy. But the advocacy happens to be out of State Conference that is not defined as advocacy on the State's Attorney's office. We're saying that.

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If it's not explicit in the statute, you can't do it.

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So we were trying to do it, and then we learned, it's not. You can't.

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Direct assistance to a person.

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Is what you're talking about. Like if.

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Fun giving somebody a check to do a thing.

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Directly.

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Is not explicitly allowed in the statute, so we could change the statute we could advocate for that.

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But it was, you know, kind of like. Don't do this again.

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And so part of like, let's say, an advocacy. Sorry to belabor the point.

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Trying to better understand this. So if part of a self advocacy program.

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Application that addresses this priority.

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If part of that program is to support, let's say, an advocacy group, a local advocacy group. They work on.

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Better understanding local government, talking about talking to policymakers in the local area.

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And to increase community for community living. Right? And then part of that program is setting up, you know, a structure for a board.

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And part of the expectation of this.

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This, you know, or Advocacy board or group, is to have their leaders go to Advocacy Group. So part of that program.

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We can't. There wouldn't be necessarily a program that we could support in that way. They would still think that that is direct funds, even though it's part of the program.

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It's possible we could include this in our administrative costs and you and do it as non employee training.

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And pay for people to go. We can pay for you all to go to conferences, we host monthly workshops, so maybe we could beef up that line of our budget, but then we would have to develop a process through which people request it, and it gets paid. So again, the most straightforward way would be through an agency contract where the agency is able to.

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Pay for things on behalf of individuals or groups, and that's what we I thought we had, but is limited in certain ways which could be amended through a Contract amendment.

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But, as Kim said, they've just got it up and running, so there may, you know, we may find.

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That they don't have.

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The dollars to do that. So meanwhile, I think it is good for us to create a structure like this within.

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Priorities, document.

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To get closer to what you're saying, but

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Yeah, I can.

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Talk to lawyers again about doing it just directly through our administrative, because.

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It does. Actually, it fits with the purposes of the.

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Dd board.

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Like very clearly, so.

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It would just you all would maybe have to let go of the idea of like.

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You know, 92% of the funding is going into agency contracts. And if we, if we used more.

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Of the total budget.

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To directly support people going to conferences, that percentage would go down.

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So.

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You know, we sort of have to.

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We have to expect some consequences that we might need to be able to explain later.

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So I guess I'm.

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Let me just clarify. I'm not.

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I don't. I don't necessarily want a decrease in funding to go to programs that agencies provide what I'm.

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Saying is, I would love for agencies as part of their program development.

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To potentially include.

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As yeah, right? So.

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And so do so, I guess. Do we need to.

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Yeah, there are some, some programs that you funded for many years through agencies who are present who have self advocacy groups. They can absolutely.

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Put into their budgets or ask for a budget amendment to do it.

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Specific assistance to support people going to conferences. That's been true forever. I thought you were talking about something that was more

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Independently directed by self advocates, but I.

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I kind of want that, too.

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But no, the capacity to do that is already there, and it has been, and I think they do send people.

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To conferences.

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The.

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It? This.

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We could ask.

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Can I get some feedback from agencies about how you do that? And if it's maybe it's maybe I'm barking up a tree that's not needed. I don't know.

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Yeah, sure. No. I think a couple things. So with speak up. That is something that we we offer to our participants. If they would like to attend every year, and we've we've gone for many years.

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It's my understanding that the Arc of Illinois is actually has many scholarships for self advocates to attend those events. And that the the process for accessing that scholarship is very simple, and usually we like kind of send in everybody's registration. Since we're all going. And a lot of times, it's like as simple as like checking a box like, would you like a scholarship?

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And then they don't have to pay, and so I don't in my experience, and with the people that we've worked with, I don't think the cost of going to like speak up specifically, has been a barrier for people.

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It's also something that, like we have paid for. You know, sort of as part of our our self-determination, or like connect program. That's where, like our self advocacy group lives. And it's 1 of the sort of the stated kind of.

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Pieces of that program and Grant.

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I think it gets a little tricky when we're doing the applications just to kind of pop back to that a little bit, because you have to just choose one priority and like for that program for us, specifically, like every year, I'm kind of like.

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Which one do I choose? You know there's like a family component to it. There's a like connections component to it. And there is also like a self advocacy and leadership component to it.

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So, and and I would. I would guess that Dse is similar. I mean, I will let Patty speak to that as well, but I think a lot of those things do end up getting embedded in other programs, just because the support that goes along with them fits very well with some of the other services that we're providing. You know. And if there was like other conferences that that people were interested in going, I think the Arc actually has, like a fund for that, or they have in the past.

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I think it's a little more difficult to access, but I know families can access it like if there is other types of professional development or conferences, or things that families would like to attend, and that the the financial aspect of it is a barrier. I think you can say like, Hey, I would like to go to this conference.

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Not necessarily an art conference, even and they can pay for it. I think.

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And again, it's been a while since I've checked, but in the past they would even, I think, pay some of the travel costs, or like. If you needed to stay in a hotel or something they could they would help cover the cost of that as well, not to say that like we shouldn't also support that here. But but there are some resources for it. That! And I'll I'll check again, and just make sure that that still exists in terms of the that, like the family, like accessing.

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Programs outside of like, speak up, speak out. But yeah, that's that's been. But yeah, I think it's great point.

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Yeah, just because through my research with advocates like across the State, through going home coalition, they've said that they actually cannot get to.

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Speak up, speak out, or going home. The Arc of Illinois, because of.

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D direct support. I mean, it's not necessarily the cost of the conference, but it's the hotel and that kind of stuff. So

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You're right, exactly right. So I mean, that's what I'm so glad to hear that, like.

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We're doing a much better job. Maybe we should be bragging a little bit more. Yeah.

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Well, I wouldn't necessarily start bragging quite yet, because the information that I just got is that.

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Speak up and speak out is going to be virtual. Only this year.

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So there will be no traveling to Springfield for people who are interested in doing that. I think I is very disappointed in that news. And the reason is because the Council on Developmental Disabilities has determined that they are not going to fund the consumer stipend program through the Arc.

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Until possibly next year, when they plan to bring back, speak up, and speak out as a hybrid event. So some in-person, some virtual.

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Participants. So I think that fun. I'm not sure when it ends. If it's what fiscal year the arc is on. But.

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Anyway, it is going to be less available, if not completely unavailable.

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So it'll be only champagne. County residents who can go can afford to go if we're careful to budget money for things like that.

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But like becomes even more important. Picky, thank you for that late breaking news.

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Like that's terrible.

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Yeah, it is terrible.

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I just wanted to speak to it, too, to echo what Becca was saying. Also.

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Just as a reminder. The ifs grant that you all fund.

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The 2 components of that are respite and advocacy.

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And there was there was funding built into that budget for people to attend conferences, and also the staff support needed to go with them because that's necessary, but also to pay them to participate in some things. If they do presentations because they are the subject matter experts, they are the voice and the staff that are with them are getting paid. So I mean, we just felt like it was really important.

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This time to kind of recognize that their time is valuable and their voice is valuable. And, you know, wanting to focus on that. So I can see whether it's a kind of an expansion within that grant, or if it's a different request or something, as you kinda look to prioritizing. But I do think that there is a lot happening here in Champaign County with community choices and Dsc. In the area of trying to do that. We also were very disappointed that that.

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The summit is gonna be virtual. Last year we did a hybrid, and and we've done. You know, we've done the virtual through Covid and.

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And last year had several people attend, and we also rented space, so that, you know, a group could attend virtually together and got T-shirts, and you know, kind of made a big deal out of it, but it's definitely not the same as being able to network with peers from other other parts of the State. So it's a big disappointment. And, as you said hopefully, just a 1 year hiccup. But.

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It's bigger than a hiccup.

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So anyway, I I there is a focus. And I do feel like there's some prioritizing happening locally with the provider agencies that you all are funding, and and we can kind of look at that over the next year and the next application cycle.

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Thank you, Patty. I guess, to your point and to Becka's point like, are we spread too thin.

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With the number of priorities, if you're, you know, does advocacy need to be its own priority if it's already embedded within.

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You know, we're advocating for lots of things. So can I, is it okay? If I ask the.

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Oh!

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Oh, no! It.

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Okay, no. Do I need to. Is it okay? If I ask that question to.

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The the audience.

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Yeah, the agencies is that, okay, yeah, okay.

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I are. We spread too thin? Yeah, thank you. So that the global answer is, yes, every agency is spread too thin. But you know, we did create a position for this. That is, you know, he I mean, at least 50 of his time is dedicated to the app stuff. So that's a luxury that we did not have in the past. In in the past it used to kind of be A certain program would pick up the ball and kind of.

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Try to coordinate it, and staff positions would get in the way of that, and the focus would be based on the talent of the person and the interest of the person. So, having a dedicated position that has time for this has been incredibly valuable, and just to share a little bit we met. We did meet with Kim, but I mean, there are currently 3 advocacy groups going on right now under Kendall's purview and they are going through the Alliance training. And that's happening kind of.

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You know, a different pace for each group as needed.

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And you know. There, it's also, you know, just kind of getting there's a lot of interest.

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And we, rather than having one large group see value in, you, know them being able to kind of move freely between the groups based on whatever the topic or the issue is that they want to advocate for. So there's a lot of fluidity, I think, in in how people will be participating. But the legislative piece and the, you know, statewide advocacy. And that stuff

is definitely think things that he's very excited about, and there seems to be interest, for so I see it growing.

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See it being, you know, smaller scale, I think, than what you're, you know, kind of hoping that it morphs into, but I think that that will happen. Organically like I said, either within the same. I mean that one is kind of its own grant. I mean, we could separate respite and advocacy. But there is a significant dedication to that. Specifically this year.

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Anybody. Thank you, Patty.

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Anybody else had thoughts on this being a separate priority? And are we spread too thin.

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Okay.

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Yeah, I think I would echo what Patty says. Well, I mean, I think one of the things I thought was like, is there? Is there not a way that we could identify? 2 priorities prefer that you would create 2 programs like, we've sort of asked for some of the programs to be smaller so that we could understand them more clearly. That was that's sort of the reason for the current array of priorities. If that's not working for you all.

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And that's not working for the board. We can certainly revisit that. There is a place where you can say that it applies to other priorities, and I believe we express that in the program summaries. But we can't, you know, include the total amount.

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Of that, because we don't know how much of the piece of your program is just self advocacy unless you apply for separate programs. So I I guess you know where it says there's 0 applications and \$0 under the priority of self advocacy. That's maybe the problem.

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And I can't really figure out a better way to express it. But.

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But like, I really appreciate this discussion, because what.

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What used to be under that priority were family supports who have.

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Kind of given up because they have a really hard time even submitting a single report.

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Like.

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Just literally, it's too hard for them.

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It creates problems, for within their membership.

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So we don't really have a way to easily fund.

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Support networks, family support networks anymore. So I'm kind. So I think when we say 0 applications, that's we're signaling, we gotta figure something out in order to help family support. Networks thrive. But this is a different thing. It's even more important. And I'm really appreciating the conversation. So.

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So we'll have to.

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Look at the structure cause this isn't. It's not that the things are missing. It's just that our structure is not capturing it properly.

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Yeah. Oh, I mean, I would also, just again to sort of echo what Patty said, like we we did ask for a small increase in the staffing for that program this year. Specifically so, we could put additional, like staff time and resources towards working on both our self advocacy group as well as just like pro, like self advocacy projects. And I think one of the things that we've found is that what our participants are often interested in in terms of.

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Consistently comes to us. I mean, that's been.

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What they've wanted to do. You know, I also, I think, like.

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Would love to sort of see how to engage the legislative piece as well. But just kind of to give you some insight into sort of what it looks like for us.

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Great.

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I think, yeah, yeah, yeah.

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I think the conversation got away from it. But I'm gonna go back and stuff because I am a board member for the Illinois, and so we all we all have meetings like you guys and stuff, and we always have extra money.

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For someone to receive respite, and we have a voucher program for that Illinois respite that someone could apply. I advocate could apply for that voucher, and they could go special activities like this. And we just had a meeting in May, and we still had money before. So we were pushing it and pushing it. So if you guys know anyone that's not receiving any services from the State of Illinois and needing that, we have that voucher program.

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We talked about our service being we like to partner with a lot of. And that organization always says we have some money, and as long as you request it most of the time their work with you on how to get that voucher. I know it's not a lot, but if someone wants to go to speak out and stuff, and if there's a voucher they're qualifying that could pay for other services.

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That maybe they're not paying for, and that could meet that gap and stuff, and it will work for a lot of our consumers.

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It's all of us.

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Great thanks.

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Okay, I'll be quiet now. I hammered this. I think I appreciate the time everyone and the all your all. Y'all's information. Thank you.

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It seems like we've we've had a really good discussion about.

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Our priorities and.

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Maybe that should go on.

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But we don't have enough people here to have it go on. But.

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We'll probably bring it up again in our meetings and outside of our meetings. Also.

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I'm not sure if there's anything else that we need to discuss.



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Today,

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We we, one of the items is input to the county board, and we have a county board representative here.

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It says here in our packet that a memorandum directed to the county board offers community needs assessment, support.

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Do you want to talk about that a little bit, Leah?

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Well, it's.

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It's on our agenda.

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And it's on page 2 of our agenda, and it is item F.

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The the Memos on page 1 6, and the memo is on page 106. 0, that was the one that lynn said that she was coming to the board tomorrow night to talk about.

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That, then in yeah, because.

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From a county board perspective. I can say that it's always a delight to have Miss Canfield.

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Come and speak with us.

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I'm gonna read the letter out loud. Is that okay?

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I just.

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Like you mean. Read now. No, to the county Board, like. I don't know how delightful that is when you get public participation. That's just reading. But I feel really strongly about this. And I appreciate I got some input from people here.

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There was another.

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Person who was trying to provide input, but ran out of time.

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But she is actually someone who I went to see Mtd. With years and years ago to talk about this issue, and nothing changed.

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So she was really motivated, just ran out of time. So.

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Yay, I'll see you tomorrow night with this. But I wanted.

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You all to see it first.st If anybody has a problem with me doing this, I will stay home tomorrow night.

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Yeah.

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Thank you for doing it. Yeah.

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I think.

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I think you should go and speak up.

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Yeah.

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We do have some old business that.

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Py, 25 funded programs and.

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Lynn sent out.

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Great.

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Kind of.

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I don't know cheat, I guess you'd call it maybe a synopsis, a syllabus of.

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Of these, and so.

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We. We have that information available to us.

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The next thing on the under old business is evaluation, capacity building project.

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Do we have someone to speak on that.

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I.

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We do?

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Okay.

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Hi! You!

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Put your mic on.

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Happy hump, day.

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I'm Jessinda. I'm from the Resiliency Center, and I have some colleagues on Zoom as well.

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We've been doing a lot of technical assistance with several of the community agencies. So that's been going well, that work is great. We did want to propose to you an idea that we had just to get your insights and your willingness or lack thereof. For a training that we're thinking about having in the spring.

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Where we would bring board members and agencies to come together to have a workshop on storytelling.

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More thinking about how to get messaging across. What do each want to hear? What do they look for? What are they trying to communicate.

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And we thought that this would have multiple purposes. One would be enhancing the communication between board members and agencies.

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And another would be helping each other think about what our priorities are with their interests are and hearing, and how that's communicated.

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So we, before we keep going down that lane of planning such a event.

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We thought it would be good to pitch the idea.

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And our idea was also that the Board members of.

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Let's say, the Development Disability Board members would then talk with the Mental health.

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Board agencies and vice versa. So there wasn't any impropriety and thinking about funding or things, but just to get a sense of what.

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Which funders and board members think, what do agencies think? What are they trying to communicate.

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In terms of the work that they're doing, their outcomes, that they're having and so forth. So.

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So I'll pause there so that I can get any initial reflections and thoughts that you may have on that.

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Idea.

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It sounds like something of what we're doing this morning. A little bit of it.

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I think it's a great idea. Personally.

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I like that idea. Thank you for considering it. I think.

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Be very helpful for both.

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All the groups involved.

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And you have the time to come. That's the big question. Mark, right?

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So. Can you talk a little bit more? Thank you for that.

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Alert. So can you talk a little bit more about the time investment? I might have missed it if you said it. Sorry. No, I didn't say it, but so we're thinking about an hour and a half.

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Of a workshop type of, and it might have a little bit of homework in advance, not a ton like reviewing something, just so that you're coming in with some background information. But it would be really having it be a hands-on workshop.

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Of working together, talking with each other.

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Learning best practices, but also enhancing this communication between both

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Best parties, so.

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When like, what day of the week have you thought that far in advance? Yeah. So we would. We would seek input from agencies from board members to see what timing would work.

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And we would have potentially 2 events, one with one group of individuals and another with the other individuals. And we could.

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Try to see what we can do to make sure that it would fit most people.

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But if everyone likes Friday meetings at 3 30 in the afternoon until 5.

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Who else has meetings? Then.

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I do, I know. So do I. Okay? But prefer not. Yeah. So maybe would

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Board staff be invited as part of that conversation. Maybe I missed that.

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Yeah. All, all, all who are invested in this process would have the potential to come.

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We do some things with the group already. I think the idea is like, including you all, yeah, like for some more. Yeah, yeah. I mean we'll still do it.

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Yeah, we're we're about inclusivity. So if someone wants to exclude themselves and they can do that.

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But we'll invite everybody, and then you can decide if you.

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To have fun with us and each other.

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So those are our big updates. We're working on some micro learnings and planning out some different types of trainings, including a virtual training that will utilize measured repositories and thinking about outcomes that would be agency specific so that they can learn about the repository, how to how to develop questions. And we're thinking about a couple of other ideas, but some virtual, some micro learning and some.

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In person, so different types of formats.

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That everyone who's been funded by the boards would have the opportunity to participate in.

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Well, thank you very much.

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Alright!

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Thank you.

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The last thing that we're going to talk about today, I think.

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Well, we have.

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Not the last thing, the second to the last thing.

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Is the disability, resource.

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Expo Update.

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There's a nice

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Update. I guess you'd call it.

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In here. On starting on page 1, 13.

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And it looks like the disability expo is going to be. And in October 26th that marketplace.

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Our coordinators are the same as last year.

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And they have a couple of special attractions that they're planning adaptive clothing show and an inclusive.

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Sports, demonstrations.

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I don't know anything more about it. Maybe Lynn knows more about it. Do you know anything more about it than what's being presented to us right here?

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You. Oh, Kim is the expert.

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I don't the expo is planning is is underway. Sponsorship. They're seeking

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Oh, I thought my microphone went off, but I think the camera changed. They're seeking sponsorship. We have a new. I think this is.

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I don't think I'm telling you guys anything that's not written in the Memo.

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But we have a new

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Title Sponsor, which.

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Featured, featured sponsor. That's the word we use which is thrive in financial.

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There's a lot of outreach. The expo.

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Coordinator. One of the expo coordinators has been doing a lot of events. Tabling at those events handing out.

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Save the date and the.

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Expo books from last year.

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To, you know. Generate people to come through.

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This year's Expo.

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So.

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I was. Gonna say, does anybody have any stories about.

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Oh, good!

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Good outcomes. You know that. Yes.

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Okay. Linda.

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I wanted to say that the these coordinators take this very seriously.

They are always concerned about this.

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Expo needs to be better than the last one. I have a different perspective living in this.

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Fake Co. Post, Covid world like we know. It's not post Covid, but we're pretending so.

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It has. There are so many things that are different from, and they still have this very high expectations. I'm encouraging them. Look at this wonderful marketing strategy that we've kind of stumbled on, which is everybody else, is having resource, fairs and expos now, and we have Barbner, who's super outgoing and wants to go sit at the table and tell everybody about expos. But that's a huge marketing strategy that.

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Wasn't available to us a few years ago, so they're looking for something more like.

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That they can promote through social media that they can reach a broader audience, maybe new sponsors. And I just asked them, what if we ask people.

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Because this has been around a long time, and the event is very important to some people, and many have personal stories connected to what if we ask people to tell their stories? And we could use those on social media to promote the events so that we would be telling people like from the personal perspective, what it actually is, what it means and what it can do for people. And so they're thinking about it. But now I'm gonna say.

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Guess what Georgiana Schuster is interested in such stories as well, so it's just I. I'm not great with the social media. They have to tell me if this is manageable, how they could even start. But you know there's really a concern about getting the same level of sponsorship revenue as previous years getting the diversity of exhibitors as previous years. But from my perspective, and Chris may have a different.

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View.

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I honestly payments every day. It looks.

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Similar to prior years. But maybe I'm wrong. Maybe we're behind. But.

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But I just.

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You know, I think we're kind of searching for more we need. We do need volunteer support outsider support for this fashion show, especially like. That's a big project that we don't have the manpower to pull off.

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Without volunteers. So that's.

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Pain point. And the other pain point is, what are the new marketing strategies that we should really be using now.

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So I felt like you just asked Georgina. I felt like.

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That has potential. So anyway.

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Cool.

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To your question. Georgiana Barzner did share.

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That she was tabling at a recent event, maybe Tolenonday and someone did say they came up and visited the table and said, Oh, my gosh! I came to your expo.

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Some time ago, and.

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You know I I got your book, and I was able to then.

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Have my needs met.

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Whatever those needs were, but because they had come to the Expo. They got the book. They were then able to go home and reach out to whatever service they were in need of. So yes, that is happening. But Lynn.

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Had the group.

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Yes, let's make it on a bigger scale and promote it that way.

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Personally, I think that's a great idea, because many people, including myself.

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Really don't know what's available. All the resources that we have in this.

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Community.

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And so.

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The disability expo is a little bit overwhelming for people when they walk in, and they see all these tables and.

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I don't know what I need.

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But having personal stories, might help the whole.

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Process.

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I think.

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Who are the planners.

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And and and suggest this to them, that.

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That this could be.

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A way to get people interested.

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Yeah.

00:49:57.924 --> 00:49:58.924  
Okay.

00:49:59.548 --> 00:50:05.548  
I think that just really appreciate communicating with you about it,  
cause they're thinking about it all the time.

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I just want to add, I think I'm somewhere on social media for the  
community I saw the Geese College of Business is offering.

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Soliciting, asking for.

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Community projects that would help that their students could work on. So  
I I know it was like

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Marketing was one of the areas. So I'll look through my social media, see  
if I can find it and try and share it with.

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Forward to you. Okay.

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Okay, although they know students don't come back to August, so I don't  
know how.

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You know, but at least it would help

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You know, for.

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The future years.

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Yeah, okay.

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Successes and other agency information. Do we have anyone who wants to speak up.

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Today.

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Oh!

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I see a.

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A couple of fingers going up, so go right ahead.

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Okay.

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I forgot to greet everybody. Good morning.

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I'll go. I'll go first.st

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Pace is having our Ada celebration.

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On july 26.th

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I actually brought a fire and stuff. So we have one of our consumer who is a classical pianist.

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Who offered her time and to host a concert for us and stuff. So it's on the 26. We also have Ryan Croak, who is our. It's a 1st Assistant deputy Governor for the Health and human services. Who's gonna be our keynote speaker that day. So he's been an advocate for us for many years, for center, for independent living. So I brought some flyers to share with everyone.

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At the end of the meeting and stuff. You guys could share it with everyone because it'd be a wonderful event. Again. It is the celebration of the signing of the Ada to and stuff like that. So

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Please share it with your network.

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And I'm gonna introduce Jason to you guys.

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Okay. So I'm Jason.

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I'm the housing Modification Coordinator pace.

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We partnered with insul this year to modify homes for people with disabilities so they can stay in their homes versus having to go to institutions.

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If there's.

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Anyone in the community, or that you may know or pass the word around that we have this program.

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We are allotted up to 25,000 per consumer to modify their home.

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So, yeah, I'm just. I'm really anxious to get this going off the ground. We have a couple of projects going on right now.

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But the more the merrier. So if you could pass the word around about our home modification program, that would be great.

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Can? Can you give us some contact information.

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For so you would reach me, Jason, at pace.

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Say, say that again at pace.

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I have some flyers here that I can pass out to everybody in here so that you can get a better understanding about the program.

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When we when we got this program and stuff, we were just, it's the beginning. So there's more to it and stuff like that. This is just a slow rollout for us, but we were told by that by, and so that this this grant is gonna.

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A lot of backing and stuff. So that's why we're pushing for it. The only one we heard about this program, the only thing that would disqualify someone besides, eligibility of income is that they cannot be. Along with Drs.

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Because they have their own home modification.

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Program in in there. But other than that, we people with Idd, they could qualify for it and stuff also. The one unique thing that I like about this program is that.

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Even though they're renting. If the landlord says that they could get modification, and we get a lever from the landlord and stuff, saying, it's okay to proceed, Will. They'll be eligible. So a lot of people might think this just for home owners. It's not if for someone who could be renting, and the landlords test that and stuff. So again, Jason.

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You're sent to us. It's wonderful. We'll work with any consumers project by project, uniquely with their needs and stuff like that. He'll do a home assessment with that consumer walk through the whole building, and she puts in the project together, and it's.

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They might think they just need this one. But Jason is there to go? Let me walk through your home. You might. We might find something else that we could put in the program. So that's why he's our home modification Coordinator. So yeah, please share this wonderful program again, it's new for pace, and we heard that it's just the start of it, because there's some backing to it and stuff so.

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Thank you. That's wonderful news.

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Say that again.

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For any disability, it's any disability, but.

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If they are, they have a Dr. If they're receiving DRS funding, then they get disqualified because they have their own home. So.

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Thank you.

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Have a really quick one. I just wanted to let you guys know that we had our busiest day with our transportation program last Thursday we gave 23 rides over the course of the day, which was

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Was very busy, and so part of the reason we were able to do that was because we starting in July, we're able to have a backup driver during the day, and so that he was very much in use that day. So A lot of people got to places around town so.

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What day did you say? That was last Thursday? So last week was very busy. But Thursday in particular, was very, very busy. Nothing's particularly special about that day. We could figure out if there was some sort of.

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Avenger. I don't know. Yeah, I think maybe people are just kind of getting back to things after like the holiday. But.

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I don't know for sure.

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Sorry about that.

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Doesn't look the same.

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When we help people find jobs.

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We base that job exploration on very individualized conditions for employment identified by that person.

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Sometimes those are pretty general and broad, which means we have.

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A lot more opportunities to explore.

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And then other times, those conditions for employment.

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Are very specific, very narrow.

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Sometimes those are just based on preferences. So, for example.

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Somebody living in champaign who only wants to work with horses.

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And does not have transportation. We're not gonna have a much success finding them a job. But over time.

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As that process goes along, then they kind of expand what their interests are.

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Sometimes those narrow conditions are just the conditions that really need to be in place.

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For that person to be successful.

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25 years ago we helped a young man in that last category find a job that.

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Through the hard work of the job developer, all of the planets aligning just right. We found the perfect job. And he held that job for almost 25 years.

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And I don't remember if the company folded, or if they just reduce their workforce pretty significantly. But he came back to us again.

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Wanting us to help them find a job.

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With the new condition.

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That it had to be.

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The same 9 h.

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Per week.

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The same 3 h per day.

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So.

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I'm thinking it's been 5 months. But again, those conditions really were not negotiable at all, and I'm happy to see again with the hard work of



Liz, the job developer, and all of the planets aligning he is now successfully been in his job for 3 weeks.

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That is great.

00:59:06.675 --> 00:59:07.675  
Yeah.

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That does sound pretty dreamy, doesn't it? 3 HA day, 3 days a week? Yeah, I just met more like you don't want to change your schedule after you've been working at it for 25 years, I can empathize with.

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So I have. It's not a program that is funded by Ccdb. But a very exciting announcement that we've been waiting a very long time to say and hope that it's as chill worthy for you as it is for me. The Dunbar and Mohammed is open.

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So the 1st person moved in on June 11, th and by the end of June all 4 residents had lived there have moved in, and it's going very well. This was a, you know. Staffing was part of the issue. There was some legislation that got changed. In order to support type, one diabetes for an individual. There was a mom who was an incredible advocate many years ago.

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That was a parent of 2 of the children. They're adults.

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That

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Passed away before it could come to fruition. But she did see the house. She helped pick out the home, the individuals that you know, that was gonna live there, and fortunately, all 4 are are the residents that have moved in 3 for the 1st time outside the family home.

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One individual said, Oh, my God, you've made my dream come true!

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After he'd been wanting? You know he has for years been saying, When's it? When am I moving? When am I moving? When am I moving? And then the brother and sister that have moved in. It's a little bit more of a challenge to kind of get services in place. They've they've been in a different setting for a really long time. They adjusted to losing Mom. Dad's been a single dad that he wasn't counting on for the last 7 years.

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But they're in their home community. They're in Mahomet is less than a mile away, and and kind of trying to balance that separation and

attachment. To make that work for them is is going well. And then the 4th person is somebody that actually was forced to leave our community and go to a educational residential place in Kansas as a as a team.

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To go to school for many years and return to our community. It's been a little over 7 years ago, and has been residing with with her parents. And so this is her 1st time away from home as well. So we call June 30th the unofficial thanksgiving.

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Because many years ago, I being the eternal optimist that I am, said, oh, we'll have it open by Thanksgiving.

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So we decided that whatever day it opened is Thanksgiving. So I think June 30.th

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June 30th will now be our unofficial thanksgiving with Turkey and all the fixings moving forward. So. But we're very excited to have that open, and the other good news that to share is is that after several years.

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Of being kind of under a consultant model for nursing services. We have been successful in hiring a.

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Which is something that is very challenging all across the State. And she is incredible, and the timing is perfect, especially with this home to be able to have somebody that's actually an employee and on site every day rather than having to go through you know, virtual and phone consultation for nursing services. So there's some really good things happening there that

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That we've been waiting a long time for so.

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That is good news. Thank you.

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Anybody else.

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I guess we're we're done with that section, and we already put Leah's waving us away. Nope, nothing.

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Mental health.

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Board, input, anything.

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Their meeting tonight at 5, 45.

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There's nothing really very much the same business. I did not present the engaged Illinois information to them.

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Because they've been on information overload for months, but I think some of them might be interested. So I have been forwarding.

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Information like in emails to you all, and to them.

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So that they can get involved with. Engage Illinois, too.

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That seems it seems like we're in that for the long haul. So yay.

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And nothing else.

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For them.

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I do have good news from for the daily Board. Doctor Robin is available July 31, at 9 o'clock, so we will absolutely

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Have a and you know there's always possible surprises, but we're doing our best. So thank you all for.

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For working through that with me. I'm greatly relieved.

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Well, I think we're done.

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Okay.

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Huh? Board announcements.

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Pardon me, you might have announced.

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Nope.

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I have no announcements.

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So we're done. Our board meeting is done for today.

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Till the 31.st Thank you. Oh, she's gone.