**1. What is inspiring you today?**

* **Community/Collaboration/People**
  + Number of people here
  + Being together
  + Power of community
  + Stay strong
  + People asking hard questions about their own work and beliefs
  + Number of committed advocates
  + My neighbor who had 2 weeks to get out as per a knock on the door
* **Topic based/ideas**
  + Energy equity workshop
  + Employers working with local banks
  + Evernorth to create loan funds for housing
  + Administrative approval of all permits
  + Good, smart landlords who save and look ahead
* **Zoning**
  + Hope for zoning reform
  + VT Zoning Atlas as a tool to organize renters
  + National Zoning Atlas – yay!
  + Hope for zoning reform!
  + Viewing these issues through the lens of zoning feels revolutionary
  + People want to talk about zoning (finally)
  + Sara Bronin
* Justice and equity to all
* Justice

**2. What do you want to explore further?**

* **Strategies**
  + State has muscle and money to kickstart statewide plan that integrates with local plans & provides assistance to regions and towns
  + Create overview of $ plan spending
  + Act 250 needs to be modified
  + Housing committees
  + Create coalitions regionally with local groups
  + Incentivize more small scale landlords
  + Outreach to tenants
  + Community organizing
  + Less silos/more broad coalitions
  + Take responsibility for yourself
  + Building local businesses (unique to place) to fund housing provisions & opportunities
* **Ideas**
  + Energy equity
  + To balance the classes and stabilize housing a 4th class
  + VT Zoning Atlas
  + Creative ways to engage people we serve
  + Reducing the reporting burdens or use the data to provide meaningful feedback to the organizations on how to improve programs and/or increase impact
  + How to generate more regional approaches
  + Can rural/agricultural zoning unlock worker housing without putting their legal status at further risk?
  + Community-based activities to build social connections, increase equity, and engage housing advocates
  + Smart independent planning
  + Could a % of registration fee for this conference go to an org/initiative supporting homeless? Maybe increase fee by $10 to support homeless individuals
* **Funding**
  + More public/private investments
  + Housing funders – VT’s big landowners/business owners
  + Private funding sources
  + Farm, orchard, and vineyard tax advantages to develop housing infrastructure
* **Partnerships**
  + Farms, orchards, vineyards
  + Businesses, community orgs, schools, other advocacy “silos”
  + Supporting tenant/resident associations
  + Diversified partners – municipalities, developers, banks, businesses with nonprofits
* **Other**
  + How we support engagement with service providers for at risk tenants
  + Ensure quality of construction
  + Why doesn’t Burlington have a program like CIDER?
  + Listen to all sides
  + Less taxes

**3. Who do you want/need to connect with?**

* Opportunities Credit Union -> Julie Lowell, Public Assets, 773-505-5111 (or 5221), Julie @publicassets.org
  + - Response: We got you! Andrew Douglas, Opportunities Credit Union, [adouglas@oppsvt.org](mailto:adouglas@oppsvt.org)
* Tenants of South Burlington who would serve on affordable housing committee
* Citizen advocates
  + Housing providers desiring to connect their community members in community activities, [cyonce@cvoeo.org](mailto:cyonce@cvoeo.org)
  + Folks hoping to advance offsite and modular technologies to reduce construction costs
  + Bernie Sanders

**4. What will YOU do to help solve the housing crisis?**

* Housing supply/Affordability/Supports
  + Build homes – provide homes
  + Expand partners pushing for housing production
  + Helping rural towns work together
  + Help supply “medium-term housing” for workers by tapping in to vacation rental owners
  + Charge actual affordable rent as a landlord
  + Direct housing counseling
  + Continue seeking resources to subsidize home financing
  + Continue supporting housing stabilization staff efforts
* **Housing communications**
  + Help change how people talk about affordable housing
  + Make housing language and entries more accessible
  + Speaking on the misconception of what homelessness “looks” like
  + Bring awareness to the necessity of the balance of classes
  + Engage non- “housing people” in solution
  + Raise awareness on lack of tenant protections in VT to decisionmakers
* **Speaking up/Speaking Out**
  + YIMBY & show up to planning meetings
  + I speak up on FPF, at public meetings, and talk with neighbors
  + Be here! Continue conversations
  + Be bold!