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Subject: RE: [#62322] Leadership Asheville invitation to Code for Asheville for Wed, April 5

Hi, Jan,

Iâ€™m definitely also happy to participate. Iâ€™ve marked 4/5 on my calendar as a tentative. Thanks for reaching out! My contact information is below.

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From: Jesse Michel [mailto:jesse@prcapps.com]
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Hi Jan,

Thanks for reaching out! I did receive your message (I couldn't take the call as I was in a meeting at the time).

I would be happy to participate in the panel. In terms of Human Services specifically, I do have some good experience working with local advocacy and community groups in the area. A few of the ones we've worked with are below:

- Economic Justice Workgroup - Advocacy group with a focus on minority and black-owned business opportunities.
- BeLoved Asheville - A homeless shelter who advocates for homeless rights and economic opportunities, as well as increasing technology access for those who are temporarily or permanently homeless (the director also works at Just Economics).
- Asheville Homeless Coalition - A network of service groups and agencies that do work for a variety of under-served populations in the area (e.g. homeless, impoverished, mentally ill).
- Appalachian Mountain Community Health Centers (AMCHC) - A federally qualified network of clinics who offer sliding-fee medical services to Asheville residents and residents of multiple other rural counties of WNC (I serve on their board as a consumer member).
- Asheville Housing Authority - Provides public housing to residents of Asheville.

We also collaborate frequently with the City of Asheville and their various departments and agencies to procure data, encourage transparency, and facilitate meaningful discussion around the more technical aspects of policy advocacy. Eric Jackson is the Digital Services Architect on the city's IT team.

Now for the caveat: Personally, I own and operate a web firm in town (PRC Applications), so admittedly, my professional work is not really in the field of Human Services. However I believe I could serve on this panel as a member representing the volunteer technology community and speak to opportunities that occur when tech specialists work collaboratively with Human Services organizations (which I do have experience with).

In addition, I'd feel comfortable discussing how members of the community can apply their talents to assist these types of organizations, and how Code for Asheville was able to get heavily involved with these groups in the last year.

Eric, please feel free to add to this as well.

Thanks so much, Jan, I really appreciate your consideration and I hope this sounds like a good fit for the panel you're planning.

Let's discuss further and determine how we can be of the most use for the event! Please feel free to get in touch with any questions.

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On Tue, 10 Jan at 11:30 AM , Jan Getz <janmasongetz@gmail.com> wrote:
Hi Jesse and Eric,
This is a follow-up to a phone message I left for Jesse. Thought this might be easier to understand our request!

Leadership Asheville is a 9 month program for executive level individuals to learn about the issues facing our region and to develop their own leadership skills. Each month we examine an aspect of our community â€“ itâ€™s challenges and solutions. www.leadershipasheville.org

I am on the planning team for a Leadership Asheville program day on Wednesday, April 5, 2017 that will look at Health and Human Services in our area.

We are interested in seeing if the two of you or even just one of you would be available that morning â€“ approximately 9:30 â€“ 11:30 am to be part of a panel looking at local solutions to some of the pressing issues facing our Human Service providers. We were very intrigued by your use of technology to assist non-profits as described in the AC-T article last week. We are planning to have a â€œtraditionalâ€ panel discussion and then break the class into smaller groups to dialogue with the panelists in a way that would provide an opportunity for conversation.

Our location that morning will be the Goodwill Training Center on Patton Avenue.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. Please let me know if you have questions I can answer. I look forward to hearing from you and to hopefully having a chance to learn more about the work of Code for Asheville on April 5.

Jan

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