

Tuesday, February 23, 2016 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Holston Hill Community Golf Course 1000 Country Club Road Marion, Virginia 24354

10:00 a.m. Welcome

- 10:05 a.m. Focus Cluster/Area Group Discussions Welcome new members Update new members on the SET planning process Identify potential Cluster/Area Goals/Objectives
- 10:45 a.m. The Community Capitals: Strengths/Assets, Challenges & Data
- 11:30 a.m. Draft SMART Goals/Objectives
- 1:30 p.m. Next Steps: Building and Implementing the Plan

Next Session Discussion: Tuesday, April 19, 2016

## Virginia SET Resource Team

- Janice Stroud-Bickes, USDA Rural Development
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## SET Virginia SET V Session Schedule

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Mount Rogers Region Session Date, Time, & Location Region Tuesday, October 20, 2015 Mount Civic Engagement Forum 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Rogers Discussion and brainstorming session on region's Mount Rogers Planning Commission Conference Room strengths, challenges, and data. Respond to the 1021 Terrace Drive question: What could /should we do to build on the Marion, VA 24354 opportunities and manage the challenges? Builds the foundation for future discussions. Session I: Exploration of Regional Data Tuesday, December 8, 2015 Mount 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Rogers Mount Rogers Planning Commission Review Civic Engagement Forum results. Examine Conference Room economic data (businesses, jobs, clusters) and 1021 Terrace Drive relevance to proposed actions. Marion, VA 24354 Mount Session 2: Evidence-based Planning Tuesday, January 19, 2016 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Rogers Mount Rogers Planning Commission Discussion on bubble chart, shift-share, import Conference Room substitution, leakages, clusters, C.A.R.E. model. 1021 Terrace Drive Set economic priorities. Marion, VA 24354 Tuesday, February 23, 2016 **Session 3: Connecting Capitals** Mount 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Rogers Holston Hill Community Golf Course Analyze each economic priority in relationship to the 1000 Country Club Road Seven Community Capitals, set goals and Marion, Virginia 24354 objectives. Session 4: Finalizing the Plan Mount Tuesday, April 19, 2016 Rogers 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Mount Rogers Planning Commission Set the actions that will ensure the successful Conference Room accomplishment of the regional goals. 1021 Terrace Drive Marion, VA 24354 Implementation\* Tuesday, May 10, 2016 Mount 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Rogers \*There is potential for inclement weather to Mount Rogers Planning Commission postpone a session. The dates in April and May will Conference Room 1021 Terrace Drive allow us two scheduled sessions to complete the high-quality plan and begin work on implementation. Marion, VA 24354 Mount Implementation\* TBD Rogers