Land Access and Opportunity Board Meeting
January 12 2026, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Meeting Facilitator:

Notetaker:

Attendee	Present	Not Present
Board	●	● Brian Cina, National Association of Social Workers ● Dan Coutu, VT Commission on Native American Affairs ● Emily Carris-Duncan, Vermont Every Town Project ● Mark Hughes, VRJA ● Mary Gerisch, NAACP ● Alyssa Beauchamp, Liberation Ecosystem ● Sonali Samarasinghe, US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI) ● Susan Aranoff, Vermont DDC ● *No active board member*, Pride Center of Vermont ● Xusana Davis, Office of Racial Equity ● Zack Hughes, Vermont Psychiatric Survivors ● Abel Luna, Migrant Justice
Board Alternates	●	● Jaada Longmore, VRJA ● Kirsten Murphy, Vermont DDC ● Samantha Langevin, Liberation Ecosystem ● Rich Holschuh, VCNAA ● Caitlin Scott, Vermont Psychiatric Survivors ● Marita Canedo, Migrant Justice ● Kenneth Martel, US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI)
Guests & Public		

Agenda

1. **Convene the January 12, 2025 virtual meeting of the LAOB at 5:30pm** a. Welcome, Overview b. Touchstones i. Listen generously. Speak your truth from your heart & mind. ii. Make the way we work together an example of what's possible. iii. Trust that we all hold a piece of the puzzle & we need each other's pieces to understand the whole picture. c. LAOB Board Member & Staff Introductions: Name, Identifiers, Seat and Location (county)	
2. Review & Approve Meeting Minutes from December 15, 2025 https://server3.vhcb.org/sharing/9rqg1vHVK Password: LAOB25	
3. Shelter Grants 2026 Q1 **4.**	Board vote to approve Shelter Grants
5. Public Comment & Board Responses:	
BREAK : 6:30-6:35pm	
6. Brian's Bill	
7. 2026 Legislative Updates	

8. Board Announcements:	
9. CONSENT ITEMS	•
10. ACTION ITEMS	•
11. Meeting Adjourned:	

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