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Good Afternoon,

Thank you for meeting with members of the team at the Office of Equity and Anti-Racism (OEA) last month and for continuing to partner with us on our collective equity and anti-racism work. We know that the provincial government can't do this alone, and we appreciate the time and effort that you've already put into making your communities and Nova Scotia a safer and more welcoming place for all.

The Equity and Anti-Racism Strategy required by the Dismantling Hate and Racism Act was published today. You can find it here <https://novascotia.ca/just/publications/docs/equity-and-anti-racism-strategy.pdf>. As part of the strategy, the Province is announcing that it will provide \$1,185,000 to support municipalities and villages in this work.

As you know, another part of the Dismantling Hate and Racism Act requires municipalities, villages and other Public Sector Bodies to create plans to address systemic hate, inequity and racism. OEA, in collaboration with the Department of Municipal Affairs and Housing, will be in contact soon to schedule workshops to help facilitate the development of your plans.

Natasha Jackson, the DMAH Executive Lead for Community Engagement, is beginning work on a number of pilot projects in some communities and creating a community of practice. We are excited to see how these projects will offer ideas to develop and implement your plans.

We are looking forward to continuing these important conversations with you.

Sincerely,
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