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Subject: Re: list of 44
To: Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org>
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I put counties for Hampshire, Franklin, and some Worcester county towns on the Google Sheets list, so that would reduce the work. It would be good to put on every spreadsheet.

Montague in Franklin County was one of the very first cities to consider NFG last autumn, and they did not include it. We/I should encourage them to look again.

On Mon, Jun 9, 2025 at 9:37 PM Buzby, Maureen <mbuzby@cityofmelrose.org> wrote:

Hmmm... Cheryl Sbarra mentioned little tiny Montague in the TFM meeting the other day. I forget why. Not NFG. They are doing something else. Still worth following up.

I truly wish the TA's were more help. I can't believe we can't get more info from them. MAHB has Health Board info. MHOA has HD info. We should never to have someone on Dr. Winickoff's staff try to get all this contact info.

As far as that goes, we should be getting more help from MTCP. And TFM. Based on their stated mission...

Okay. Sorry for the rant.

We have a summer intern. And we have a regional epidemiologist (pard for by the PHE grant). Wondering if either of them can help fill in the blanks – like county for each of the 351 cities and towns. I'll ask tomorrow.

I have some follow-ups I should do.

Belmont, Lexington, Arlington, et al.

Ross had some interest in pursuing Sharon.

I'll touch base with Erin Bartoloni, the Hopkinton Coalition Director who spoke at the Hopkinton hearing. She is willing to help with other coalitions.

I'll also check in with Shaun MacAulliffe. He is a big fan of NFG.

I'll go back to my original list and re-think potential targets.

Back some time ago we talked about getting Cheryl Sbarra and/or Chris Banthin make a short NFG video that could be sent to all HD's. And then they could share it with their

Boards. Their focus is flavor not NFG but maybe.

BTW, ten MTCP related folks are going to the National Tobacco Conference in Chicago the end of August. Paid for by the state. Anthony Chui and I are going but paid for out of our own pockets. At least so far. Registration for Anthony is \$3K. \$1K for me. Plus travel, meals and hotel. We are separate from MTCP/MHOA/MAHD/MMA workshops and poster presentations. Anthony and I have our own exhibit hall table. I need to work on poster, flyers, and a video that can be played on a continuous loop. UGH!

Ciao,

Maureen

From: Ken Elstein <kenelstein@gmail.com>
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1. I am struck that it seems not a single municipality responded in Hampden County (e.g., Springfield, Longmeadow, etc.)
2. It would be helpful if all of our spreadsheets indicated the county.
3. Do the raw responses with the word "Other" in any of the columns?
4. Matt and his peers got a lot of contact information (mostly emails). Could you provide that?
5. Heather Warner was working with Leverett. I will follow up with her. They seemed very interested when we met them in March.
6. Montague decided to not include NFG with their new regs last fall, but I will follow up.

On Mon, Jun 9, 2025 at 8:14 PM Anthony Ishak <aishakpharmd@yahoo.com> wrote:

Ken and Maureen

I cleaned up the list a little by "hiding" the rows of not interested, other, implemented which leaves 44 responses which vary from somewhat to highly interested and include multiple responses from the same town. Do you want to take a look and remove the ones that we shouldn't reach out to?

I can then send a list to the larger group later this week.

Anthony

Anthony Ishak Pharm.D. BCPS

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