Noon Rotary

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Brianna Gilmore (shown with Club president Henry Capogna) of Building Integrated Communities informed the Washington Noon Rotary of their partnership with the City of Washington to create inclusive practices and policies for residents born in other countries during the Monday meeting at the King Chicken banquet hall. The community assessment provides an overview of Washington and Beaufort County's global neighborhoods and includes information about racial and ethnic disparities. The assessment presents research findings, resources lists, and recommendations for the City of Washington.

The City has started to implement some recommendations, most notably, an ordinance to provide local businesses owned by minorities and women an equitable opportunity to participate and compete in contract procurement procedures. The City's procurement officer, Jennifer Alligood, maintains a registry of businesses that will be contacted in contract procurement procedures. If you are interested in being added to this list, please email Jennifer Alligood at jnelson@washingtonnc.gov (mailto:jnelson@washingtonnc.gov).

To learn more about Washington's Building Integrated Communities partnership including the Community Assessment, visit <u>migration.unc.edu/washington (http://migration.unc.edu/washington)</u> or contact Berekia Divanga at <u>bdivanga@washingtonnc.gov</u> (mailto:bdivanga@washingtonnc.gov).

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The Washington Noon Rotary Club conducts weekly one hour luncheon meetings each Monday at King Chicken. Club members can also attend virtually through Zoom. Become a Rotarian and "Serve to Change Lives" within the community and beyond. For information about membership, contact Dot Moate at (252) 975-6309 or at info@washingtonnoonrotary.org (mailto:info@washingtonnoonrotary.org).

