



VERMONT HUMANITIES

Presents

December 9th 5:30-7:30 pm

Courageous Conversations with Neighbors



Join Northeast Kingdom Organizing (NEKO <https://nekorganizing.org/>) for an evening of skill-building workshops and conversation. Free catered meal by Peacham Cafe for all who register.

In a time of growing division and strife, we need to **build our capacity to talk to people who don't agree with us** without writing them off. The decline in rural, agricultural livelihood, rise in opioid use, the pandemic, and recent flooding, demonstrate that we're at the crossroads of **multiple crises**. The decisions we make in the coming days and years about how to respond will have tremendous consequences. Will we turn **toward one another or against each other?**

NEKO uses deep canvassing -- going door-to-door to have courageous conversations with neighbors -- to find solutions because it's the only scientifically proven method to **bridge gaps across differences using empathy** and understanding. We'll talk about how to canvass and give you the tools to talk with neighbors about hopes, fears, and aspirations in order to build trust through conversation. We offer an antidote to hatred and powerlessness: **deep human connection**.

After our workshop, we'll have a conversation about how changes in weather and climate are impacting our neighborhoods and come up with actions we can take **together to become more resilient**.

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an initiative to support local public humanities projects
that promote cross-cultural understanding

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