Policy-Constituent Interactions

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In an attempt to refocus my efforts in ISM towards incorporating my fall research with my final product, I was excited this week to learn more from Mrs. Brigadier about the source of the actions executed on the county level of government. As I progressed through both work on my final product and my mentor visit this week, I hoped to be able to understand the applications of policy in implementing actions at the base level of state government, and relate this chain of command to the conveyal of information both in Empower Frisco and my own professional career.

A task I hoped to accomplish this week was a solidification of what can incorporate my learning from the fall semester to my spring semester final product; through mentor visits and discussion, I have realized a medium for my research. Through information given on the website, I have hopeful prospects that my fall research can be conveyed chiefly through an informational page, as well as previously suggested, audience-specific videos to help with interest in business, nonprofit, and cause groups. From my mentor visit this week, I have realized that the source of policy, discussed in Mentor Visit Assessment 4, can also be added to this information to allow potential audience members with the knowledge and capacity to exert their opinions on local governmental processes and events. In looking towards the future, the concept of having policy at the state level affecting county-level actions helps me realize that every action in an organization is important and how crucial it is to acknowledge the purpose each member of these groups hold in ensuring a mission is met.