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Discusses Efforts to Create and Keep Good Jobs, Health Care, Education, & Civil Rights

Hackensack, NJ - In an effort to discuss ways in which Congress and the federal government can better address the needs and concerns of the African-American community, Congressman Steve Rothman (D-Fair Lawn) today hosted an African-American outreach meeting in his Hackensack office building that was attended by more than a dozen prominent, local African-American leaders.

"I was very pleased to have the opportunity to meet with some outstanding African-American leaders from Northern New Jersey to identify areas of need and ways in which the federal government can be more responsive to the African-American community at large," Rothman said. "It was a very productive meeting and I look forward to continuing my years of work with the African-American community to ensure that our government is meeting the needs of all the men, women, and children in this country. We must work to ensure that every American who works hard and plays by the rules should have the opportunity to achieve the American Dream."

During the meeting, Rothman and the leaders shared their thoughts and ideas on ways to grow a strong economy that creates and maintain good jobs, provide quality and affordable health care for everyone, improve our education system for all children, ensure equal justice and protection under the law, and other issues that affect all Americans, but were of particular importance to these African-American leaders.

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Photo Identification: Congressman Steve Rothman (center left), Darryl Austin - Congressional Aide for Congressman Rothman (center right), to Austin's left is Councilman Jack Drakeford of Englewood. Next to him is Victoria Taylor of the MLK Senior Center. To Congressman Rothman's right is Mercedes Dean from the Juneteenth Project, to her right is Edgar Freeman of the NAACP, to his right is Gerald Mohammad --AARP grassroots coordinator, and next to him is Eugene Marshall - Director of the Hackensack Civic Association.

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