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FIRST QUARTER 2022

Pursuant to the disclosure requirements in 47 C.F. R. 73.3526(11)(i), and during the quarter referenced above, this station provided information to its viewers regarding the following significant issues, including:

Politics
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Programs

Local 44 News @ 7am – airs Monday through Friday 7-8am

- Local 44 News @ 8am airs Monday through Friday 8-9am
- Local 44 News @ 10pm airs Monday through Friday 10-11pm
- Local 44 News @ 10pm airs Saturday and Sunday 10-10:30pm
- What Matters This Week airs Sunday at 10:30pm

Local 44 News Late aired on the following dates at the following times: Jan. 22nd – 11:23pm; Jan. 30th - 11:05pm; Feb. 6th – 10:06pm; Feb. 20th – 10:12pm; March 1st - 10:48pm; March 12th 11:45pm.

Channel	lssue	Time	Date	Duration	Title of Program	Narrative Description
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/3/2022	1:42	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Highlight, the Queen city's New Year's Eve celebration took place in Burlington. Those attending certainly had to bundle up as the event moved outdoors to the waterfront, and outside the Burlington City Arts studios.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/4/2022	2:07	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Burlington saw a spike in gun violence in 2021, ending the year with its 14th incident. We examine the city's year-end report, and how the PBD is looking at changes in the new year.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	1/4/2022	2:02	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 news @ 8am	Medical staff have been on the frontlines for almost two years now. Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders joined state leaders on Monday morning to discuss Vermont's nursing workforce crisis.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/4/2022	2:02	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The Department of Corrections is continuing to deal with staffing shortages, fearing the safety of staff and those incarcerated is close to the breaking point. It's a crisis that people say isn't getting the attention it deserves.
44,1	Health	10pm	1/4/2022	2:31	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Vermont hit a new record none of us wanted more than 1,700 cases of Covid 19. Also, positive cases were found during intake at four separate correctional facilities in Vermont. There are currently 42 active cases between inmates and staffers.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	1/5/2022	2:05	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	It's a new year with a new set of Covid challenges. Health officials around the state say Tuesday's 1,700 plus cases speaks to how infectious Omicron is, and perhaps, how much we wanted to gather during the holidays.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/5/2022	1:58	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	North country leaders are calling for funding to re-open the Beekmantown Gateway Center. The information center closed right after the pandemic started, as funding was not included in New York's budget.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	1/5/2022	1:38	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	On Tuesday, Vermont lawmakers convened for the 2022 legislative session, and voted to meet remotely for the first two weeks. The House of Representatives had to take an in-person vote in order to authorize the remote session.

44.1	Safety	10p	1/5/2022	2:15	Local 44 News @ 10pm	A man from Addison County is in custody in Burlington tonight. He's accused of attacking several people downtown on Tuesday while not wearing any pants. At last report, 43-year-old Charles Root of Weybridge was at UVM Medical Center for an evaluation.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	1/6/2022	3:30	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	On Wednesday, Governor Phil Scott delivered his State of the State address with a focus on optimism and resiliency. The Governor said one of Vermont's biggest challenges remains its dwindling workforce.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	1/6/2022	2:28	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Governor Kathy Hochul joined elected officials in the Assembly chambers on Wednesday to lay out her vision and priorities for New Yorkers. The pandemic was at the forefront of her address, but she also talked about making the state a more affordable place to reside.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	1/7/2022	1:52	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	A second arrest has been made related to the disappearance of a seven-year-old New Hampshire girl. Harmony Montgomery's step-mother is in custody on charges of welfare fraud. On Wednesday, Harmony's father, Adam Montgomery, was also arrested as authorities continue the search for the little girl.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	1/7/2022	2:04	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	We're still learning exactly what led up to the capitol riots, as the congressional committee continues to investigate. Local 22's Courtney Kramer spoke with a legal expert, as well as Congressman Peter Welch, who live tweeted some of the events of the day.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/7/2022	2:18	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Burlington City Council President Max Tracy won't seek re- election on town meeting day. For a decade, he's been one of the Queen City's most prominent progressive voices. Tracy indicated it was a tough call to make.
44.1	Politics	10:30pm	1/9/2022	8:20	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Vermont House Speaker Jill Krowinski, following a breakdown of Gov. Phil Scott's State of the State address. Krowinski talked about her reaction to the governor's proposals, her legislative priorities, and the COVID plan for legislative business after January 18.

44.1	Health	7 & 8am	1/10/2022	1:43	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	To help keep K through 12 classrooms open, Vermont has already been distributing free antigen test kits as a part of the "test to stay" program.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/10/2022	1:50	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	A long-time fire fighter has risen up the ranks in Saint Johnsbury and is now the town's new chief. Bradley Reed has served the community for more than 20 years.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	1/11/2022	1:57	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	A suspect is due in court today after police say he fired a gun at an apartment building in Derby Line.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	1/11/2022	1:37	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Warming centers will be playing a critical role, to get people off the streets and into warm places.
44.1	Safety	10pm	1/11/2022	2:03	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The fast-spreading Omicron variant is prompting health and education leaders to make changes to how schools handle cases. Students and teachers will soon begin to practice a different mitigation strategy. The Scott administration says it's having to move quickly as well.
44.1	Safety	7am	1/12/2022	1:33	Local 44 News @ 7am	We begin this morning with a warning from the American Red Cross. A national blood crisis has been declared for the worst blood shortage seen in over a decade.
44.1	Safety	8am	1/12/2022	1:50	Local 44 News @ 8am	When the agency sent out the initial advisory memo, it caused quite a stir with the Vermont NEA. On Tuesday, district leaders spoke with Vermont lawmakers about how their schools are handling it.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/12/2022	2:19	Local 44 News @ 10pm	On Tuesday, Vermont lawmakers sent Governor Phil Scott a bill they passed last week, which is similar to one the house and senate passed a year ago. It has to do with town meeting day elections, and leading communities to need to make some decisions.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/13/2022	2:02	Local 44 News @ 10pm	On Tuesday Vermont lawmakers sent Governor Phil Scott a bill passed last week. It's similar to one the house and senate passed a year ago, and has to do with town meeting day elections. Leading communities to need to make some decisions.
44.1	Politics	7am	1/14/2022	1:49	Local 44 News @ 7am	The final steps to add two amendments to the Vermont state constitution are nearing. One would clarify that slavery is prohibited in Vermont, the other would guarantee the right to reproductive freedom.

44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/14/2022	1:27	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Nearly a hundred soldiers from the Vermont National Guard are back home this week, returning to the Green Mountain State from a ten-month overseas deployment.
44.1	Crime	8am	1/14/2022	2:15	Local 44 News @ 8am	We're now into week three in the search for 7-year old Harmony Montgomery. Her stepmother Kayla was supposed to appear in court in Manchester on Thursday, the arraignment was postponed until later in the month. She remains behind bars, along with Harmony's father.
44.1	Politics	8am	1/14/2022	1:45	Local 44 News @ 8am	It's now a 3-way race among Democrats seeking Vermont's lone congressional seat. On Thursday State Senator Kesha Ram Hinsdale announced she's running or the open house seat.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/17/2022	2:27	Local 44 News @ 10pm	We're beginning to hear the names of those who want to be Vermont's next Lieutenant Governor. Today, State Senator Joe Benning became the first Republican to announce. With the current Lieutenant Governor Molly Gray running for US Congress, an opportunity has opened up for a newcomer.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/18/2022	4:44	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Vermont Governor Phil Scott pitched a 7-point-7 billion dollar budget for 2022. He calls it 'the most complex budget' his office has ever put together. As in previous years, Governor Scott preached financial discipline from the podium and put forward a budget proposal that wouldn't raise taxes on Vermonters.
44.1	Community	7am	1/19/2022	1:56	Local 44 News @ 7am	The small Vermont town of Elmore is fighting to keep its postal service. The USPS had planned to pull service from the landmark Elmore Store next month.
44.1	Safety	10pm	1/19/2022	2:39	Local 44 News @ 10pm	School districts, parents and students are still adjusting to Vermont's new covid-19 testing strategy in schools. Today Education Secretary Dan French and state Health Commissioner Dr. Mark Levine updated Vermont lawmakers on the state's testing supply as schools prepare to make the switch.
44.1	Community	7am	1/20/2022	2:15	Local 44 News @ 7am	Just about two years ago, Vermont marked its first two deaths due to the pandemic. Yesterday, the state reported more than 500 covid deaths.
44.1	Community	8am	1/20/2022	1:28	Local 44 News @ 8am	Until at least the end of April, Vermont communities will have the legal right to impose their own indoor mask mandates. Hinesburg does not have one.

44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	1/24/2022	1:47	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The weather for both today and tomorrow may have people thinking about ice fishing, but before you head out on the ice, it's important to know the basics and to be safe.
44.1	Community	10pm	1/24/2022	2:32	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Tonight, the Burlington City Council is expected to vote on some big changes that could be headed to the ballot for Town Meeting Day. They include a possible increase in the city's tax rate and a 24 million dollar bond for infrastructure projects.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	1/25/2022	1:27	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	There are new developments this morning in the disappearance of Harmony Montgomery. Police in Manchester, New Hampshire have narrowed the window of time they think the 7-year old girl went missing.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/25/2022	1:58	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	A UVM senior and Vermont native will be competing in Beijing next month for the winter games, and is hoping to bring home hardware.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/25/2022	2:53	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Today the Vermont Senate passed a bill that would make it easier for terminally ill patients to get medical aid in dying. Vermont's 'Death With Dignity law' went into effect nine years ago, but the strength and struggles of a former state lawmaker have drawn attention to the law's shortcomings.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8pm	1/26/2022	2:05	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	More than a month into the Omicron surge, Governor Scott says he's seeing hopeful signs. While there hasn't been a major decline in cases nationwide, they say the Northeast is seeing some improvement, including an 18 percent decrease in cases this past week.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/26/2022	1:47	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Critical staffing shortages are impacting fire departments across the state, and it's taking firefighters and EMS longer to reach you. Now, first responders are gaining support from Senator Bernie Sanders.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/26/2022	1:57	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Dozens of Vermonters tonight weighed in on a proposed amendment to the state constitution regarding about abortion rights. The "Reproductive Liberty Amendment" has passed the Vermont senate twice, with the house just days away from holding its final vote.

44.1	Politics	10pm	1/26/2022	1:47	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Breyer's career on the high court began in Vermont, he took his oath of office in Greensboro at the cottage of former Chief Justice William Rehnquist
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	1/27/2022	1:42	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	It's a busy week for Burlington's Police commission, with meetings on back-to-back nights. One was concerned with a disciplinary issue while the other included the city's recent police assessment report.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/27/2022	1:57	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Governor Phil Scott and his administration are asking Vermont lawmakers to backtrack on some recent changes to next year's budget. The concerns have to do with changes to how Vermont's federal funding will be used.
44.1	Community	10pm	1/28/2022	2:16	Local 44 News @ 10pm	When it comes to the job of police chief, Burlington seems headed the same way Plattsburgh has gone. Six city councilors are poised to vote down the Burlington mayor's choice for top cop, about a month after Plattsburgh common councilors did the same to their mayor's choice.
44.1	Politics	10pm	1/31/2022	2:14	Local 44 News @ 10pm	New York state lawmakers have proposed congressional maps that could impact who represents you, and how many seats each party will have in the US House of Representatives. After a commission aimed at taking over the redistricting process from the legislature failed to agree on a set of maps, the job landed back in the hands of lawmakers who released proposed lines that could bring major changes to upstate representation.
44.1	Safety	10pm	2/2/2022	2:17	Local 44 News @ 10pm	In the next few months, Vermont will roll out a statewide program to safeguard students and staff in the classroom. It's the first effort of its kind in the country. The goal is to prevent what happened at Burlington High School from happening anywhere else.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/3/2022	1:09	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The Vermont senate passed a bill that would strengthen background checks for firearm purchases in the state. Senate President Pro Tem Becca Balint said it would close what's been called 'The Charleston Loophole' named after the deadly 2015 shooting in Charleston, South Carolina.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/4/2022	1:44	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	It could take twice as long to get the road plowed in your neighborhood as there is not enough staff to drive the trucks.

44.1	Community	7 & 8am	2/4/2022	1:55	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	For three and a half years, there's been a gigantic hole in the ground where the long-awaited 'Cityplace Burlington' development would be. Recent developments suggest this could soon change.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	2/4/2022	1:58	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	In Danby Vermont, the body of a man was found along the side of a road on Thursday morning. The victim had several gunshot wounds.
44.1	Community	10pm	2/7/2022	2:03	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The Burlington City Council is considering using federal funding from the American Rescue Plan to address homelessness in the Queen city. Tonight the council is expected to vote on whether to use nearly three million dollars to fund a wide range of initiatives aimed at preventing and eventually ending homelessness.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	2/9/2022	2:03	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	State leaders say we're inching closer to an endemic, rather than a pandemic, as case counts and hospitalizations drop off. Vermont could be looking at changes in guidance, including mask policies.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/10/2022	2:04	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Some Vermonters are showing their support for our neighbors to the north, after a pandemic mandate was passed last month requiring Canadian truck drivers to get the covid vaccine. Local 44's Jolie Sherman spoke with a few of them to better understand what's been coined the "Freedom Convoy."
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/10/2022	1:45	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Governor Kathy Hochul will let the indoor mask mandate expire in New York. Beginning today businesses will no longer have to require their customers to mask up.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/10/2022	2:19	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The co-founders of Ben and Jerry's joined state lawmakers and public safety advocates to lobby for a bill that would end qualified immunity in Vermont. The bill would give Vermonters the ability to take legal action against law enforcement officers who violate their rights. Those in support of the legislation say it would bring more accountability to police departments.

44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/11/2022	2:13	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Next month will mark two years into the pandemic, but with positive trends and communities modifying mask guidance, the term that's become a household name, could soon become endemic.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	2/11/2022	2:27	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The impact on students, whether it's loss of learning, social skills or changes in behavior is being recognized, nearly two years into the pandemic . But that impact is also being felt on teachers and administrators as well. We examine how one district is coping.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/11/2022	1:56	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Congressman Peter Welch says the passage of the Postal Service Reform Act should bring some overdue changes to Vermont communities. This morning Welch highlighted some changes outside the Winooski post office. Business owners say they're running into issues as well. Calling it the most significant postal reform bill in two decades, the bill will eliminate the requirement that the USPS pre -fund retiree health benefits for 75 years, and that had become a big financial hurdle for the agency.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/14/2022	1:38	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The Queen City is facing a crossing guards shortage, with nearly one third of the available jobs in Burlington remaining unfilled. In some cases school officials are having to pick up the slack.
44.1	Community	10pm	2/14/2022	2:22	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The city of Plattsburgh has resumed it's stalled search for a new police chief after state officials found several candidates who should not have been in the running at all. The Clinton County Civil Service Office is responsible for approving candidates for openings such as Plattsburgh's police chief job.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	2/15/2022	2:22	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	There's an investigation into racist and homophobic remarks by fans at an Enosburg Falls High School sports event, the same school where the principal is on paid leave for reportedly repeating the language used at the game over the intercom.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/15/2022	2:29	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Vermont Secretary of State Jim Condos announced he won't be seeking re-election this November, and plans to retire when his term is up. In his dozen years as Secretary of State, Condos has been a fierce advocate for transparency and voting access.

44.1	Community	7 & 8am	2/16/2022	2:00	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Downtown Burlington is saying goodbye to the Cityplace Mall on Church Street. Recently, signs went up telling customers
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/16/2022	1:51	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	everything inside is closed. Masking will continue for the time being in Vermont schools, but state leaders say districts with high vaccination rates can expect changes after next week's winter break.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	2/17/2022	2:02	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	People attempting to get an appointment at UVM Medical Center waited the longest for care. This was part the findings of a statewide report Local 44's Dana Casullo examined what the Agency of Human Services found.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	2/18/2022	1:59	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	New Hampshire Governor Chris Sununu's State of the State address ended abruptly, after a lawmaker collapsed during the remarks.
44.1	Community	10pm	2/18/2022	2:09	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Protestors in Burlington spoke out about the potential conflict between the United States and Russia as tensions continue to boil over in Ukraine. President Joe Biden addressed the nation around the same time as the protest, saying he is convinced that Russia is planning to invade.
44.1	Community	10:30pm	2/20/2022	8:32	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Mayor Miro Weinberger about the controversy surrounding Tyeastia Green resigning from her position as Burlington's Racial Equity, Inclusion and Belonging Director. He also took questions on Jon Murad remaining Acting Police Chief.
44.1	Community	10:30pm	2/20/2022	8:18	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Mayor Miro Weinberger about the ballot items that are coming before voters on Town Meeting Day.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	2/21/2022	2:30	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The search for a missing New Hampshire 7 year old girl is about to stretch into its third month. No one has seen Harmony Montgomery for over two years, she was last seen in October 2019. Police have been searching since the beginning of this year.

44.1	Community	7 & 8am	2/22/2022	2:19	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Since the start of the pandemic, opioid overdose deaths are on the rise both nationwide and in Vermont. A new CDC report shows more than 100-thousand people died of an overdose in a year-long period, with Vermont seeing the second-highest change in that time.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/22/2022	1:56	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Staffing shortages are impacting every industry, and first responders are no exception. Volunteer fire departments in Grand Isle county are struggling to recruit new members.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	2/23/2022	2:35	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Vermont's former US Attorney officially launched a campaign for US Senate. Christina Nolan said she's running as a Republican, and promised to fight against what she called 'gridlock and partisanship' in Congress. She spoke about what she believes she could bring to Washington.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	2/23/2022	1:53	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	With Covid cases down 88 percent since the omicron peak, Governor Phil Scott's weekly briefing will become more state news, less covid, as hospitalizations and ICU numbers are also stabilizing.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/24/2022	2:31	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Around this time last night, the first blasts were heard in the city of Kyiv and country surrounding it as Russian troops moved in. The country's subways are continuing to be used as shelters for scared citizens. Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelenskyy now says he is the number one target for Russia.
44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	2/25/2022	2:01	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Masks are again coming off in Burlington, the mandate will be lifted in less than a week. We have the reaction of business owners downtown.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	2/25/2022	2:29	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	"Heartbroken" - that's how UVM Professor Adrian Ivakhiv describes his reaction to what's happening in Ukraine. Ivakhiv has family ties to Ukraine.
44.1	Safety	10pm	2/26/2022	1:02	Local 44 News @ 10pm	State police have released the identity of a man who died in yesterday's 30 car pileup on Interstate 89 in Milton.

44.1	Safety	10pm	2/27/2022	2:17	Local 44 News @ 10pm	New York's mask mandate in schools will end on Wednesday. The decision has been highly anticipated since the state dropped the indoor requirement earlier this month. Governor Hochul says the call was made Friday, with details being worked out this weekend, before students return from February break.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/27/2022	1:56	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Lawmakers in Washington have vowed to pass a 'punishing sanctions package' when they return to Capitol Hill on Monday. Republicans say the sanctions should go further and target Russian energy. The White House is urging caution due to the impact here at home.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	2/28/2022	2:05	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	With town meeting day coming up tomorrow, local authorities are preparing to put millions of dollars toward infrastructure projects to help keep water clean and bring it safely to homes and buildings.
44.1	Politics	10pm	2/28/2022	2:49	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The Russian invasion of Ukraine is now in its fifth day. Ukrainian refugees are continuing to flee the country and head toward European Union countries. According to U.N. estimates, more than 500 thousand people have fled so far. Officials from both countries held peace talks today at the border with Belarus.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	3/1/2022	2:30	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	People are heading to the polls bright and early. In Colchester there are four items on the ballot, one is the 17 million dollar Mallets Bay sewer project.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	3/1/2022	2:08	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Today is Town Meeting Day in Vermont. It is traditionally a day when communities come together to weigh important issues, but only a few places will be gathering in person this year.
44.1	Politics	10pm	3/1/2022	2:07	Local 44 News @ 10pm	In the Queen City, voters approved a combined 50 million dollars for infrastructure projects, and we had a razor-thin finish in one of several key city council races. As it stands, Independent Ali Dieng will hold on to his Ward 7 seat by just two votes over Democrat Aleczander Stith.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/3/2022	2:30	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Vermonters are working to end qualified immunity, to ensure those wronged by police have their day in court. Ice cream giants Ben and Jerry joined Vermonters outside their scoop shop to urge lawmakers to act.

44.1	Safety	7 & 8am	3/4/2022	2:21	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Vermont state officials announced major changes to Covid guidance in schools that will go into effect later this month.
						Beginning on March 14 schools will not be required to follow any additional mitigation strategies other than those recommended for all Vermonters.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	3/4/2022	2:27	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	With war raging in Ukraine, Vermont Governor Phil Scott is hoping to do more to support Ukraine and punish Russia economically.
44.1	Politics	10pm	3/4/2022	2:22	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Overnight Russian troops seized the biggest nuclear power plant in Europe after a middle-of-the-night attack. We brought you the story last night as a section of the plant was on fire. Officials say the world has narrowly avoided disaster.
44.1	Politics	10pm	3/5/2022	1:10	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Supporters of Ukraine come together at Burlington City Hall to demonstrate against the Russian invasion of the country.
44.1	Community	10:30pm	3/6/2022	15:03	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Masha Makutonina and Mariia Dzholos, who are International students from Ukraine, now studying at Middlebury College. Both women have immediate family in Ukraine; in an emotional interview they describe what they're hearing and seeing on video calls, and what they want people to know about the cost of war.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	3/7/2022	2:21	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	As Russia's invasion into Ukraine continues to intensify, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy is asking for NATO countries to establish a no-fly zone over Ukraine. Some lawmakers are urging the US to take action and impose the no- fly zone, but the Biden administration says the move is off the table.
44.1	Politics	10pm	3/7/2022	1:58	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The Russian war on Ukraine continues, and the number of dead and injured, along with refugees trying to leave Ukraine is increasing. Both countries continue to struggle to agree on humanitarian corridors. As well, the Pentagon confirms it ordered 500 additional troops to be deployed to Europe.

44.1	Politics	10pm	3/8/2022	2:39	Local 44 News @ 10pm	With Vermont set to receive more than 60 million dollars as part of a nationwide settlement with opioid manufacturers, state lawmakers are laying the groundwork for how that money might be used. The majority of this cash, from three major companies, has gone into what's called a 'statewide abatement fund.'
44.1	Community	10pm	3/9/2022	2:40	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Lawmakers are working through the details of a bill that would give Vermonters more leeway to sue police officers who mistreat or abuse them.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/11/2022	1:49	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	On town meeting day, Queen City voters approved major renovations for the downtown that could have Main Street feeling a little more like Church Street. Last night, project managers took some time to go over all the details.
44.1	Politics	10:30pm	3/13/2022	15:08	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Secretary of State Jim Condos who announced several weeks ago this will be his final term in the office. Condos touted the transition from paper ballots to a more digital environment in his 12 years as Secretary. He also talked about the role Secretaries of State play in a critical time in the country.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	3/14/2022	2:00	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Russia is escalating its attacks on Ukraine, and that country's leader is begging the west for more help. Local 44's Washington Correspondent Hannah Brandt joins us live to explain how lawmakers and military officials are responding to that plea.
44.1	Community	10pm	3/14/2022	2:14	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Tonight in Burlington, new details emerged on a plan to revamp North Winooski Avenue. Two years after discussions got started, it turns out there are still concerns about the parking spaces that could be lost. It could be some time before any changes come into play.
44.1	Community	10pm	3/15/2022	2:26	Local 44 News @ 10pm	The colors of Vermont tonight didn't involve green, but blue and yellow, the colors of the Ukrainian flag. Vermont leaders and dozens of others gathered on the State House steps for a unity vigil in solidarity with the people of Ukraine.

44.1	Community	10pm	3/16/2022	2:25	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Congressman Peter Welch called the speech by Zelenskyy 'incredibly moving'. For weeks, the world has seen the images of tragedy, bravery and war coming out of Ukraine. Congressman Welch and his colleagues got a stark reminder of what's already been lost in this war, and for Welch, it was a call to action.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/17/2022	3:00	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	As we emerge from the pandemic, one dance academy wants to show that the Irish spirit is still alive and well this Saint Patrick's Day. Local 44's Bo Yee Poon is live at the McFadden Academy of Irish Dance in Williston, where the dancers are ready to perform their traditional Saint Patrick's Day sets.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/17/2022	1:47	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	A story of survival from a Jewish Vermont family whose relatives escaped the war in Ukraine with their 12 children. Local 44's Jolie Sherman spoke with them about how what would have been a three-hour journey turned into three days of traveling.
44.1	Community	10pm	3/17/2022	1:40	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Burlington International Airport has an eye on a possible expansion. But to make that happen, the airport needs something to take place in South Burlington that's presently in its early stages. The airport owns land just outside its perimeter fence, right next to a residential neighborhood, and has asked the city for re-zoning it's 8.5 acres from its current status of residential.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	3/18/2022	2:07	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	A Brooklyn man appeared in a St. Johnsbury courtroom yesterday, facing second degree murder charges in connection with a deadly shooting outside NVRH earlier this month.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/18/2022	1:57	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	UVM Staff United, a labor group dedicated to improving working conditions at the University of Vermont, recently met with the administration on increasing faculty wages. Upper management refused to comply with requested changes.
44.1	Politics	10pm	3/18/2022	2:31	Local 44 News @ 10pm	It's officially crunch time in the Vermont legislature. Friday wrapped up Crossover week for money bills, and it offered a closer look at the legislation most likely to make it to Governor Phil Scott's desk. Eleven bills were passed today by the Vermont House of Representatives.

44.1	Community	10:30pm	3/20/2022	10:55	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Cary Brown, the Executive Director of the Vermont Commission on Women. Brown, who is also involved with the equal pay initiative called Change the Story, talked about its successes and challenges, as Change the Story will sunset at the end of the month after 7 years helping to provide a greater focus on women.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/21/2022	2:18	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The owners of a bakery in Barre don't only feed the community, they're rallying local support for Ukraine as Russia wages war. Larissa Haas is originally from Ukraine; she and her husband have just been recognized by Barre's Mayor.
44.1	Crime	7 & 8am	3/21/2022	2:20	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Vermont State Police have identified DNA in the case of Brianna Maitland, the 17-year old who disappeared near her job in Montgomery, Vermont 18 years ago.
44.1	Community	10pm	3/21/2022	2:44	Local 44 News @ 10pm	It was a busy agenda for the Burlington City Council tonight, with big decisions expected on homeless housing and a controversial renovation of North Winooski Avenue. Councilors are expected to vote on what some have touted as an innovative approach to address homelessness.
44.1	Safety	10pm	3/22/2022	2:27	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Vermont's EMS workforce had already been facing challenges prior to the pandemic, and two years of added stress has only worsened the money and staffing woes. Today, EMS leaders met with Vermont lawmakers to go over those concerns as a different kind of rescue effort takes shape.
44.1	Politics	10am	3/23/2022	1:40	Local 44 News @ 10pm	President Joe Biden is in Europe for the rest of the week. His visit begins in Brussels where he will attend a NATO summit tomorrow afternoon before going to Poland on Friday to meet with the President. While in Europe, President Biden is expected to unveil the latest round of sanctions to pressure Moscow into ending the war.
44.1	Health	7 & 8am	3/24/2022	1:45	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The cost of health care may be going up in Vermont, with hospitals seeking to raise what they charge, causing backlash.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/24/2022	1:49	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	More than 100 Vermont National Guard soldiers have returned from Kosovo this morning. Local 44's Dana Casullo has more on the reunions in Colchester, for the largest return of soldiers from deployments which began in 2021.

44.1	Politics	10pm	3/24/2022	2:27	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Tonight the Vermont house passed two bills with an eye toward the future. One deals with artificial intelligence, while the other is about dismantling discrimination. It's been another busy week in the Vermont legislature, but these two bills in particular could have far-reaching impacts.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/25/2022	2:05	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Vermont's independent pharmacies have been closing at an alarming rate over the past few years, but a bill aimed at saving them just passed the Vermont house.
44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/25/2022	1:47	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	Burlington's Fletcher Free Library is hosting a traveling exhibit about the Holocaust, and former Vermont Governor Madeleine Kunin was on hand to celebrate its arrival.
44.1	Politics	10pm	3/25/2022	2:46	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Senator Patrick Leahy lashed out at some of his GOP colleagues for the way they handled the confirmation hearings. He, along with Senator Bernie Sanders and Congressman Peter Welch were back from Washington today with a lot on their minds after a busy week in D.C.
44.1	Politics	10:30pm	3/27/2022	13:16	What Matters This Week	Lauren Maloney talked with Vermont Law School Professor Jessica Brown on this week's confirmation hearings for Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson. Professor Brown broke down Judge Jackson's diverse background, historic nomination, and the type of questioning she received from both political parties.
44.1	Health	10pm	3/28/2022	2:43	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Last week, the Vermont house passed a bill that would bring more resources to the fight against opioid addiction. For almost a decade, Vermont had managed to reduce overdose deaths by focusing new and emerging strategies to fight addiction, but when covid arrived and people were isolated from that help, progress vanished.
44.1	Politics	7 & 8am	3/29/2022	2:42	Local 44 News @ 7am Local 44 News @ 8am	The deadline to submit New York's budget is fast approaching and many lawmakers are weighing in on what they believe should be included, such as bail reform and the gas tax.
44.1	Safety	10pm	3/29/2022	2:45	Local 44 News @ 10pm	Americans 50 and older can get a second Covid booster, if it's been four months since your last vaccine. The CDC says it's an option but isn't urging people rush out and get it right away. This comes as hospitalizations, cases and ICU visits continue to see a downward trend in Vermont.

44.1	Community	7 & 8am	3/31/2022	1:57	Local 44 News @ 7am	Vermont's largest city is set to get rail back on track when
					Local 44 News @ 8am	Amtrack's Ethan Allen Express returns to Burlington for the first
						time in 70 years. From the director of public works to members
						of the city council, the restoration is being heralded as an
						essential tool in mitigating climate change to benefiting the
						economy of Burlington and the rest of northern Vermont with
						tourist dollars.
44.1	Health	10pm	3/31/2022	2:10	Local 44 News @	State officials met with Vermont lawmakers to discuss a path
					10pm	forward in addressing lengthy wait times at hospitals across the
						state. The Agency of Human Services spent last fall trying to
						get a better grasp on whether reports in the press about those
						lengthy wait times were the tip of the iceberg, or the exception.