

**Issues/Response For Middlebury College
WRMC, 91.1 Non-Commercial FM Station**

(Second Quarter 2022, April to June)

The radio station of Middlebury College in Middlebury, Vermont continues to serve the respective communities with quality programming 24 hours a day. A priority of the station is to provide our listening area with sufficient public service announcement coverage and programming.

WRMC

WRMC, 91.1 serves the Lower Champlain Valley from Shelburne to Rutland Vermont and North Eastern Upstate New York on the SouthWestern shores of Lake Champlain.

Report form. During the previous quarter, WRMC identifies issues that have been significant to the campus and the greater communities. We ran/run the programs indicated to address them.

Through late spring and continuing into early summer, WRMC played a significant educational role in communicating expectations and safety protocols for both the community at large and the college community. Our air and streaming presence offer the opportunity for continuous interaction with that community.

Issue: Area of coverage continues to be heavily impacted by border crossing issues and farm labor issues for migrant community. CV-19 continues to impose an outsized bias against those deemed 'outsiders'. Similarly, there is an unspoken intolerance for immigrants 'taking jobs', even against the fact that the state has an historically low unemployment number. WRMC is singular station in market addressing this topic and supporting the community. Continuing changes in administration at Federal levels has not lessened migrant and border issues.

To address this, we: Spanish language programming. In collaboration with el Red Hispana for the rebroadcast of Welcome to America on a weekly basis, rebroadcast rights for Es asi y Punto – Latin American Sports and social discussions on a daily schedule, DemocracyNow! En Espanol on a daily schedule, Contigo, weekly Spanish language religious guidance and social issue discussion. WRMC delivers Spanish language PSA's. WRMC is ongoing engaged in supplying health information to the vulnerable population regarding Covid-19, flu, measles, monkeypox an other health threatening communicable diseases in native language. Additionally, BAA a.k.a Bienvenitos a America (Welcome to America) , is carried live on Thursday @ 1400 HRS.

Date(s):	Continuous	Time of Day:	0400-0630
Weekly:	<u>Daily:</u>		

Issue: National News is no longer programmed by commercial stations in listening environs.

To address this, we: Schedule public national news 4 minutes every hour, from syndicated source

Date(s):	Continuous	Time of Day:	hourly: 0700-1600
Weekly:	<u>Daily:</u>		

Issue: Public Awareness

To address this: Ad Council – Specific hourly campaigns focusing on the response and best practices surrounding Covid-19 and the shifting nature of moving from pandemic to endemic, with spots of

Interest, Education and Well Being. Naturally, these are in rotation in compliance with SAG-AFTRA. We are continuing our increase in the volume of Spanish language PSA regarding the same information. When not available in audio files, WRMC has been self-producing Spanish language PSAs. We have seen a marked increase in Spanish language produced health and vaccine related productions. We weight these individually for our demographic and air appropriately. WRMC has increased its commitment to indigenous communities and non-English speakers by airing appropriate language health and vaccine related productions at all hours of the day, not limited to a specific language genre time slot. We have, for the specific benefit of our student population and community at large, increased our public awareness campaigns concerning mental health issues.

Date(s): Continuous Time of Day: Run 300x00:30 spots weekly at various time loads

Issue: Large liberal (L) community searches for outlet of alternative news than standard in the region.

To address this, we: Program DemocracyNow! As the sole radio station in Vermont airing this show live in real-time allowing for call in active participation in the program. Additionally, WRMC is the sole provider of Spanish language Public Service Announcements on coronavirus and the pandemic. Our commitment to supply accurate information with a scientific background comes from a daily drop-in from Berkley College of Medicine (aka; The Lowdown).

Date(s): Continuous Time of Day: hourly: 0800 - 0901HRS
Weekly: **Daily:**

The David Pacman Hour of News and Insight:

Date(s): Continuous Time of Day: hourly: 0700 - 0800HRS
Weekly: **Daily:**

TUC, Time of Useful Consciousness:

Date(s): Continuous Time of Day: hourly: 0900 - 0930HRS
Weekly: Tuesdays **Daily:**

Issue: Public Affairs

To address this: On average, fully 10% of WRMC's broadcasting day is dedicated to presenting a divergent voice from mainstream broadcasting. Hosts, students from a broad spectrum of regions and cultures, are allowed within good taste access to air. This can take the form of community centric Public Affairs Programming, interviews with local guests, current News and Commentary, issue of Cultural Events or Diversity Discussions.

Issue: News and Information specific to women's health and well being and WRMC commitment to various equity of representation issues on air

To address this: WRMC has added a weekly programming slot aimed specifically toward female health, growth, accomplishment and well being; produced by the NPR outlet at WAMC, Albany, NY. - 51%. Naturally, as a college station, a significant portion of our population is female and have been impacted by recent political and judicial decisions and practices.

Date(s): Continuous Time of Day: Wednesday @ 0900HRS
Weekly: Daily:

Issue: THE PANDEMIC! Continuing reporting and information from all sources.

WRMC has to the best of its ability attempted to be responsive to the public and State government by providing news updates, switching scheduled airtime with public news conferences and creating localized voice-overs of public news bulletins received from the Governor's Office of Health.

Please note: The individual topics and content, except for the live call-in show (Welcome to America) are a matter of each individual producer and available in both their public offerings and within the station logs. This is also correct for the public service announcements and their respective titles and topics. As such, they are not included within this filing, but since all logs are saved for 5 years, readily available.

Station: WRMC Date of Report: July 4, 2022
Signature of licensee/Ch.Op and Senior Advisor: G. Pierre Savoie

Public file English description of BAA Weekly.

03-17-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and immigration attorney Martha Arias discuss the Biden administration's decision to keep Title 42 to expel migrants due to the COVID pandemic, except for unaccompanied migrant children. And the lawyer answers migration questions from the audience.

03-24-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss President Biden's new plan to expedite asylum applications on the border with Mexico after criticism from legislators. The attorney also answers your migration questions.

03-31-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss the announcement that the Biden administration plans to eliminate the controversial Title 42 in May, expecting the arrival of a new wave of migrants. The attorney also answers immigration questions.

04-07-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss President Biden's decision to end Title 42 and they warn that immigration chaos could ensue. The attorney also answers immigration questions.

04-14-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss the arrival to DC of migrants from Texas and they talked about the possibility of renewing DACA online. The attorney also answers immigration questions.

04-21-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss the Biden administration's preparations to process the expected surge of asylum seekers at the border beginning in May. The attorney also answers immigration questions.

04-28-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss the latest about the "Remain in Mexico" Policy. The attorney also answers immigration questions.

05-05-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss Title 42. The attorney also answers immigration questions.

05-12-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás discuss conclusions of a report that the Immigration and Customs Enforcement Office (ICE) maintains a massive system of surveillance of the majority of the population. In addition, Rafel Borrás answers questions about personal migration cases.

05-19-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and the lawyer Rafael Borrás discuss the new numbers of migrant encounters in the month of April, which amounted to 202,000. In part, due to an uptick in asylum seekers from Ukraine. In addition, the lawyer answers all the questions of your personal immigration cases.

05-26-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and the lawyer will talk about the massacre in Uvalde, Texas and if the migrant victims of violence have immigration relief resources in the United States. In addition, the lawyer answers all the questions of your personal immigration cases.

06-02-22

English Program Description for Public File

José López Zamorano and the lawyer discuss the beginning of the granting of the first "express" asylum cases that the United States initiated at the border, as well as the changes to the policy of migratory punishments. In addition, the lawyer answers questions.