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

(Fourth Quarter 2022, October 1 to December 31)

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, 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 the Fall term and quarter, WRMC continues its 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. This has seen an increase in tensions as the same community is bearing the accusations of filling up available housing. WRMC is singular station in market addressing these topics with facts. Continuing changes in administration at Federal levels has not lessened migrant and border issues. These issues were compounded by the foreshadowing of the termination of Title 42 and the increasing anxieties of the immigrant community.

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, a 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.

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| Date(s): | Continuous | | Time of Day: | 0400-0630 |
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| Week | ly: | <u>Daily:</u> | - | |
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| 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 on the overnights, from | | | | |
| syndicated source | | | | |
| Date(s): | Continuous | | Time of Day: | hourly: 2300-0400 |
| Weekly: | | Daily: | • | - |

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 it 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 300×00:30 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) and a daily drop-in from Albany Public Radio (Strange Universe).

Date(s): Continuous Time of Day: hourly: 0800 - 0903HRS

Weekly: <u>Daily:</u>

The David Pakman 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: 0903 - 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. We file as additional, samplings of our quarterly content.

Station: WRMC Date of Report: January 10, 2023

Signature of licensee/Ch.Op and Senior Advisor: G. Pierre Savoie

<u>La Red Hispana Public File Oct 1 – Dec 31 for Spanish Language Public Service Announcements</u>

The station does not carry the full line of Spanish language PSAs provided by La Red Hispana, which can be a variety of over 60 to 70 in any quarter and our Spanish language programming is only 15% of our 24 hour clock. Below is a sampling of the significant PSAs scheduled, in their various 30" and 60" lengths.

FOR BETTER LIVING / KNOWING IS POWER

Protect your skin! Skin lightening products are used daily, the FDA has important information you should know about skin lightening products.

BLUE PLANET

Our vote can help combat climate change, providing our children the future they deserve.

SOURCE OF HEALTH

Dr. Judith Flores explains the importance of vaccinating children against COVID to avoid the worst consequences of the disease.

Climate change has been transforming our lives without realizing it. La Red Hispana reminds you that it is important to pay attention and take action to stop climate change.

SOURCE OF HEALTH

Dr. Judith Flores, National Hispanic Medical Association Certified Pediatrician, explains where you can find reliable and science-based resources on COVID vaccines for children.

NEWS

Climate change threatens the future of our children. That's why mothers everywhere are promising to Vote Like A Madre for plans that support the advances already achieved in climate progress.

Student scholarships in the United States are an option to attend University, learn the different ways that exist to obtain a scholarship.

NEWS

Dr. Olveen Carrasquillo explains how updated COVID vaccines are effective in helping prevent the worst consequences of COVID and protecting us against Omicron.

HEALTH MINUTE

Do you do physical activity and not lose weight? Dr. Ilan Shapiro has great advice on what to do to get the results you want.

SOURCE OF HEALTH / ROAD TO SUCCESS

Protect your skin! Skin lightening products are used daily. The FDA has important information you should know about skin lightening products.

ROAD TO SUCCESS

Do you use antibiotics? Antibiotic-resistant bacteria threaten global public health. At La Red Hispana, we explain how to use antibiotics responsibly, following your doctor's instructions.

FOR BETTER LIVING / KNOWING IS POWER

Because it is better to be safe than sorry and on the recommendation of the doctor, if you suffer from a chronic disease, don't let the pandemic stop you from having a healthy life.

FOR BETTER LIVING / NEWS

Listen to the experts offer recommendations on how to protect your family from COVID during the holiday season. Join the En Confianza chat on December 13 at 7 PM ET, 4 PM PT, live on La Red Hispana's Facebook page.

FOR BETTER LIVING

Scammers find more and more convincing resources so that we fall into their trap, La Red Hispana gives you advice on what to do if you have been a victim of fraud.

BLUE PLANET

Dr. Judith Flores explains the importance of vaccinating children against COVID to avoid the worst consequences of the disease.

BLUE PLANET

The temperatures are getting higher and the desert conditions are becoming more extreme. This affects those who cross the US border, in the last 20 years more than 7 thousand immigrants have died trying to cross the southern border.

BLUE PLANET

- Did you know that devices even in standby power mode could add to your electric power bill and can account for up to 10% of your home's energy. The first step is to be aware and only connect what is necessary, so you save on the bill and protect the environment.
- You probably have heard about cryptocurrencies and their global economic impact, and you're wondering, how is this affecting the environment?

The energy consumption is very high, being the business that consumes the most electricity worldwide, surpassing the consumption of countries like Norway.

A large part of this electricity comes from fossil fuels that affect the environment.

Bienvenidos a América, Public File

Oct 6:

José López Zamorano and lawyer Rafael Borrás talk about the ruling that keeps the 'dreamers' in legal limbo. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Oct 13:

José López Zamorano and lawyer Rafael Borrás talk about the announcement in the US of a new immigration control process for Venezuelans. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Oct 20:

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás talk about the new immigration control process for venezuelans and who can apply. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Oct 27:

José López Zamorano and lawyer Rafael Borrás talk about the AMLO government's decision to eliminate the controversial "Stay in Mexico" immigration program, active since 2019. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Nov 3:

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás talk about the new immigration rule that could affect thousands of students and immigrants with

H-1B visas (for professionals with specialized jobs) and other foreign workers. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Nov 10:

José López Zamorano and attorney Rafael Borrás talk about the new immigration rule that could affect thousands of students and immigrants with

H-1B visas (for professionals with specialized jobs) and other foreign workers. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Nov 17:

José López Zamorano and the lawyer Rafael Borrás talk about the deadline and the preparations for the suspension of Title 42, a norm that has allowed the expulsion of millions of undocumented migrants using the COVID-19 pandemic as a pretext. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Nov 24:

José López Zamorano and the lawyer Rafael Borrás talk about the deadline and the preparations for the suspension of Title 42, a norm that has allowed the expulsion of millions of undocumented migrants using the COVID-19 pandemic as a pretext. In addition, the lawyer answers questions from the public.

Dec 1:

José López Zamorano and the Attorney Rafael Borrás discuss the granting of asylum by the US to more migrants. In addition, the Attorney answers questions from the public.

Dec 8:

José López Zamorano and the attorney Rafael Borrás talk about the increasingly frequent virtual weddings and "proxy marriages" to obtain immigration benefits. In addition, the attorney answers questions from the public.

Dec 15:

Legal permanent residents with an expired Green Card can apply for citizenship. In this edition, José López Zamorano and the attorney Rafael Borrás talk about this announcement. In addition, the attorney answers questions from the public.

Dec 22 & continuing thru Dec 29:

José López Zamorano and the attorney Rafael Borrás talk about the "comprehensive plan" to process asylum applications at the border, starting December 22. In addition, the attorney answers questions from the public.

Ad Council PSA campaigns for Oct 1 - Dec 31

Adoption from Foster Care Alzheimer's Awareness Belonging Begins with Us **Buzzed Driving Prevention** Caregiver Awareness Child Car Safety Covid Response CV-19 Vaccine Education Drug Impaired Driving Ending Hunger LGBTQ+ Acceptance Racial Justice Series Gun Safety Suicide Prevention Youth Vaping Prevention