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Secretary of State Jim Condos Announces Three Additional Transparency Tour Stops

Montpelier, VT—Secretary of State Jim Condos is pleased to announce three additional stops on his fourth biennial Transparency Tour. Every two years, since taking office in 2011, Secretary Condos has travelled the state to discuss transparency and open government, Vermont’s Public Records Act, and Open Meeting Law with municipal and state employees, elected officials of all stripes, local government board or commission members, and engaged citizens.

Today Secretary Condos is announcing three new stops on the 2017 Transparency Tour in Bradford, Bennington and Stowe, in addition to the remaining already scheduled events.

Newly Scheduled Transparency Tour Stops (All events will be held from 6-8pm)

November 8 th	Bradford	Bradford Academy, Room 10A, 172 North Main Street
November 15 th	Bennington	Bennington Fire House, 130 River Street
November 16 th	Stowe	Stowe Town Hall/Akeley Memorial Building, 67 Main Street

Previously Scheduled Transparency Tour Stops Remaining (All events will be held from 6-8pm)

November 1 st	Middlebury	Ilisley Public Library, Community Room, 75 Main Street
November 2 nd	St. Albans	St. Albans Town Hall, 579 Lake Road
November 7 th	St. Johnsbury	St. Johnsbury Middle School Auditorium, 257 Western Avenue
November 14 th	White River Junction	Hartford Town Hall, Room 2, 171 Bridge Street

Transparency Tour events have already been held in Montpelier, Rutland, Brattleboro, Springfield, Winooski and Newport, where over 100 state and local elected officials, government employees, volunteer board and commission members and interested citizens have received a thorough overview of the requirements and responsibilities government officials have regarding open meetings and access to public records.

“We hear almost daily from individuals across the state with questions about government openness and transparency, especially at the local level” said Secretary Condos. “Most often we find that local public officials are well meaning with a desire to best serve their residents. The Transparency Tour is all about giving them the education and tools to be able to best comply with the law and carry out their positions in an open and transparent way. Vermonters have a right to know how decisions are being made in their government!”

All Transparency Tour events are free and the public is encouraged to attend.

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