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LT. GOVERNOR ZUCKERMAN NEWSLETTER

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Last month I had the opportunity to spend time at the Climate Encampment. I listened to youth as they shared real fear for their future and their demands for meaningful action to address the climate crisis. As a small business owner/farmer and father, I am excited for such leadership and join our youth in demanding action now.

I also spoke at the Energy Action Network event at Champlain college. This event was an opportunity for elected officials, advocacy organizations and activists to come together, assess where we are, and propose ideas to address the climate crisis. There are Vermonters of all stripes collaborating for a carbon neutral future.

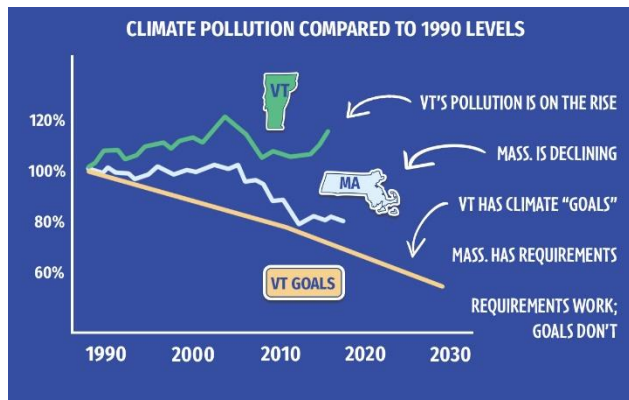
Despite the Governor stating support of our statutory climate and comprehensive energy plan goals and creating a Climate Action

Commission to identify a plan to meet these goals, we are falling radically short. In fact, our climate pollution has risen, dramatically. We must get serious.

I believe the first step in reversing this trend is to create a system that will build accountability into the goals that we set. The Climate Solutions Caucus (comprised of more than 80 current Vermont Senators and Representatives) and our environmental and energy allies have proposed legislation for a Vermont Global Warming Solutions Act. Neighboring states, like Massachusetts and New York, have enacted similar legislation and the result has been dramatic.

You can learn more about what a Global Warming Solutions Act could do and why we need it, on the back.

Thanks for staying connected.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 1

1:00PM – Who Counts? Immigrants, Refugees & Access in VT and Beyond Symposium. UVM, Waterman Building, Burlington
5:00PM – VT Farm Bureau Annual Meeting. Middlebury Inn
8:00PM – Salvation Farms Aid. Arts Riot, 400 Pine Street, Burlington

November 2 12:00-4:00PM

Bolton Community Energy Fair. Smilie Elementary School, Bolton

November 3 1:00PM

Veterans Town Hall. See back for locations

November 5 6:00PM

Lt Gov. Movie *Undeterred*. The Bliss Room at the St. Albans Museum, 9 Church Street, St. Albans

November 6 9:00-4:00

Voices for VT Children Conference. Capitol Plaza, Montpelier

November 7 7:00AM

Live on The Morning Drive with Kurt and Marcus. WVMT 96.3FM/620AM

November 12

5:30PM – Public Meeting at On Track Co-Work Space. 15 Railroad Row, WRJ
6:30PM - Lt Gov. Movie *Undeterred*. St. Paul's Church, 749 Hartford Ave White River Jct

For a complete list of events please visit our website:
www.LTGov.vermont.gov

GLOBAL WARMING SOLUTIONS ACT

Since 2006, Vermont has had laudable statutory goals to cut carbon pollution, but we are severely short of attaining those goals. This is especially noticeable when you compare how Vermont is tracking with some of our neighboring states that have accountability measures in place. The Global Warming Solutions Act would follow the lead of those states by turning our goals into requirements. This would give Vermonters the tools needed to hold our state agencies and leaders accountable to improve our future.

Your support of the Global Warming Solutions Act will help:

- Make Vermont's existing climate goals binding targets and align state government to achieve them.
- Set Vermont on a path towards 20% reduction in climate pollution by 2025 (the goal of the Paris Climate Accord) and towards a target of net zero climate pollution by 2050 at the latest.
- Send a strong market signal that will help catalyze entrepreneurial innovation and job creation.

2019 VETERANS TOWN HALL

Sunday, November 3rd at 1:00PM at these three locations:

McCarthy Arts Center, St. Michael's College, Colchester (Lt. Governor attending)

Rutland Free Library

Catamount Arts, St. Johnsbury

These community forums aim to establish a greater understanding between local veterans and the friends, neighbors and communities they fought for. Veterans are invited to share what their service means to them through a story, summary of service, message, letter home, etc. Non-veterans, including elected officials, are encouraged to attend, listen and learn. These events are non-political, and all perspectives are valued. They are free and open to all. For more information vtvetstownhall.eventbrite.com. I have attended these in the past and they are very powerful. I encourage you to attend if possible.

LT. GOVERNOR MOVIE SERIES NOVEMBER FILM

Since the launch of the Lt. Governor's Monthly movie series in 2017, we have partnered with over 50 local organizations to show sixteen movies in communities around Vermont. The movies are connected to issues we are currently addressing such as poverty, racism, the climate crisis, jobs, gender discrimination... Attendees are provided an opportunity to discuss these issues in a productive and engaging way.

In November, we will be showing the movie ***Undeterred*** in two locations and hope you will join us.

November 5 at 6:00PM - The Bliss Room at the St. Albans Museum, 9 Church Street, St. Albans

November 12 at 6:30PM - St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 749 Hartford Ave., White River Junction

This is a documentary about community resistance in the rural border town of Arivaca, Arizona. We previously presented this movie in Essex and it sparked conversation about the role of the Department of Homeland security, how we treat immigrants and new Americans, and the many ways local communities support their members. For more information on the movies we have shown, upcoming screenings or to make a suggestion, please visit <https://ltgov.vermont.gov/monthly-movie-series>