

# vermont indivisible digest 2026-03-28 to 2026-04-03

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This is an AI-generated summary of newsletters from across Vermont's Indivisible network; all information should be independently verified. This digest covers the date range of March 28, 2026, to April 3, 2026. It consolidates content from Indivisible Middlebury, Lean Left VT, Defend Democracy (Corinth/Topsham), Rutland County Indivisible, Indivisible Champlain Islands, Queen City Vermont Indivisible, Indivisible Randolph, Indivisible Mad River Valley, Champlain Valley Indivisible, Camel's Hump Indivisible, Bristol Area Indivisible, Three Rivers Indivisible, Indivisible Brattleboro, Bennington Indivisible, UVRISEUP!, and Green Mountain Alliance. Please note that Montpelier Strong is now called Montpelier Indivisible. No emails were summarized from Indivisible Brandon or Indivisible Calais. This project is maintained by Camel's Hump Indivisible. Please contact us with questions or concerns at [indivisibledigestvt@gmail.com](mailto:indivisibledigestvt@gmail.com).

## Overview

This week's newsletters are buzzing with the monumental success of the "No Kings 3" rallies! Grassroots organizers across Vermont and the nation executed the largest single day of protest in U.S. history, with an estimated 8 million Americans hitting the streets. Here in Vermont, over 30,000 residents showed up across more than 50 local events—from Burlington and Montpelier to Rutland and Brattleboro—standing together with joy, music, and an immovable resolve to push back against authoritarianism and the erosion of our democracy.

With the momentum from the streets still roaring, attention is pivoting aggressively to the halls of the State House. There is a massive, coordinated push to unmask ICE agents, protect sensitive locations like schools and hospitals, and ensure that our neighbors aren't fighting deportation alone. Indivisible groups are urging members to keep the pressure on their state representatives, attend public hearings regarding recent ICE operations, and support vital legislation aimed at holding law enforcement accountable when civil rights are violated.

Looking ahead, local chapters are determined to carry this energy straight to the ballot box. Voter outreach is in full swing with phone banks and postcard campaigns targeting crucial swing states like Pennsylvania, Virginia, and North Carolina. Alongside electoral work, preparations are also ramping up for a massive economic demonstration on May 1st. Coordinated with national labor partners, the upcoming May Day actions will see activists escalating their tactics with a nationwide "no work, no school, no shopping" boycott to demand a government that puts working people ahead of billionaires.

## Key State and Local Campaigns

**Provide Detainees with Legal Counsel** No one should be disappeared into a detention facility and forced to fight for their freedom alone. Because immigration proceedings are civil, the government does not provide a lawyer, leaving vulnerable individuals without meaningful access to counsel. (Mentioned in: *Camel's Hump Indivisible, Champlain Valley Indivisible, Bristol Area Indivisible, Indivisible Middlebury*) **Action:** Contact your own representative or members of the house appropriations committee to demand they fully fund legal aid for detained immigrants. [Contact Your Senator](#)

**No Secret Police and Sensitive Locations (S.208 and S.209)** These vital bills aim to reduce the ability of ICE agents to terrorize Vermonters by prohibiting civil arrests in sensitive locations and requiring law enforcement to show identification without masks. Both bills have passed the Senate but need a strong push to get out of the House Judiciary Committee. (Mentioned in: *Queen City Vermont Indivisible, Champlain Valley Indivisible, Camel's Hump Indivisible*) **Action:** Email House Judiciary Committee members to urge them to strengthen S.208 and approve S.209. [Find Committee Members Here](#)

**Civil Suits for Rights Violations (H.849)** Modeled on federal law, this bill gives Vermonters the right to bring a civil lawsuit against government officials—including federal agents—who violate an individual's constitutional rights in their official capacity. It has passed the House and is currently before the Senate Judiciary Committee. (Mentioned in: *Queen City Vermont Indivisible, Camel's Hump Indivisible, Bennington Indivisible*) **Action:** Contact the Senate Judiciary Committee to demand they approve H.849 so the full Senate can vote. [Send a Message to Support H.849](#)

**Accountability for March 11 ICE Raids** Following the shocking March 11 ICE operations in South Burlington, the Vermont legislature organized a joint public hearing to gather testimony on the excessive force and abuse of power used by federal agents. Indivisible groups are mobilizing to demand a strict state response. (Mentioned in: *Indivisible Mad River Valley, Champlain Valley Indivisible, Camel's Hump Indivisible*) **Action:** Watch the recorded testimonies and stay engaged with ACLU Vermont for next steps. [ACLU VT Public Hearing Info](#)

**The Crisis in Vermont's Healthcare System** With federal health subsidies sunsetting and Vermont experiencing some of the most expensive health insurance premiums in the country, local advocates are rallying to demand universal healthcare and systemic reform. Green Mountain Care Board Chair Owen Foster will be discussing the crisis and potential solutions. *(Mentioned in: Camel's Hump Indivisible, Indivisible Mad River Valley)* **Action:** Attend the special discussion on Vermont's Healthcare System with Owen Foster. [Register for the Healthcare Event](#)

**Vermont Changemakers Summit** A free, full-day event bringing together community leaders, activists, and organizers from across Vermont to build skills, strategize, and connect ahead of the midterms. *(Mentioned in: Indivisible Mad River Valley, Champlain Valley Indivisible, Camel's Hump Indivisible, Bristol Area Indivisible)* **Action:** Register to attend the summit on April 11 in Moretown to build connections for the 2026 elections. [Register for the Summit](#)

## National Actions

**Stop the Illegal War with Iran** The current administration's war has already cost lives, and threats of ground invasions and attacks on civilian infrastructure persist. Advocates are pushing Congress to force votes on War Powers Resolutions and restrict funding. **Action:** Tell your Members of Congress that Trump's illegal war must be stopped. [Email Congress Here](#)

**Fight to Cut Off ICE Funding in Congress** Congress is negotiating funding for DHS, and activists are demanding that not one more penny goes to ICE or CBP. We must pull ICE out of our communities and prevent them from operating in sensitive locations. **Action:** Call your Senators (Peter Welch: 202-224-4242; Bernie Sanders: 202-224-5141) and demand they reject any budget deal that increases ICE funding.

**Fund the Movement: BlueVote PA Phone Banking** Reaching voters is expensive but effective. BlueVote.org is running critical phone banks in swing-state Pennsylvania to get out the vote, counter disinformation, and check registrations, but they need funding to maintain their infrastructure. **Action:** Donate to help Lean Left VT sponsor BlueVote's phone banks. [Donate to BlueVote Here](#)

**Defend the Virginia Redistricting Election** MAGA forces are distributing misleading mailers trying to suppress votes for a crucial redistricting referendum designed to end Republican gerrymandering in Virginia. **Action:** Join Lean Left and Rural GroundGame to call rural VA voters and give them the facts. [Sign up for the Phone Bank](#)

**Join the May Day Mass Action** Organizers are calling for an escalation from protest to economic disruption on May 1st. The plan is a nationwide strike: "No Work, No School, No Shopping" to show oligarchs the true power of the people. **Action:** Register for the national May Day planning call on April 9. [RSVP for the May Day Call](#)

## Success stories and Bright spots

- No Kings 3 became the largest single day of protest in U.S. history, with over 8 million Americans protesting nationwide, and over 30,000 Vermonters turning out across 56 events.
- Democrat Emily Gregory successfully flipped Florida's 87th district seat (which includes Mar-A-Lago) from red to blue, marking the 10th GOP-held state legislative seat Democrats have flipped since January 2025.
- The Rage Knitters and Crocheters group in the Upper Valley raised nearly \$400 for Migrant Justice during their local No Kings 3 rally.
- More than 500 messages of support were sent to representatives regarding H.849, successfully pushing the crucial civil liberties bill out of the House and into the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- Indivisible Randolph uniquely merged art and community action by hosting a highly successful Climate Change Quilt Project workshop alongside their weekend protests.

## Upcoming events calendar

April 4, 10:00 AM, No Kings Weekly Rally, Main Street Park, Rutland, Rutland County Indivisible

April 4, 10:00 AM, Monthly Meeting: Building Bridges, Beloved Community Church, Brattleboro, Indivisible Brattleboro

April 4, 10:00 AM, Weekly Protest, Randolph Gazebo, Indivisible Randolph

April 4, 11:00 AM, Stand Up for Democracy Visibility, Prim Rd & Porter's Point Rd, Colchester, [Champlain Valley Indivisible](#)

April 4, 4:00 PM, Monthly Meeting, Blake Memorial Library, East Corinth, Corinth/Topsham Indivisible

April 5, 3:30 PM, Weekly Banner Honk & Wave, Hebard Hill Overpass, Indivisible Randolph

April 6, 4:30 PM, Third Act Meeting: Getting Out the Vote, Tenney Memorial Library, Newbury, Third Act Orange East

April 6, 4:30 PM, Monthly Meeting, The Village Meeting House, Waitsfield, Indivisible Mad River Valley

April 6, 6:00 PM, Grassroots Meet & Greet, Main Street Museum, WRJ, Three Rivers Indivisible

April 7, 5:30 PM, The Crisis: Vermont's Healthcare System, Richmond Free Library, [Camel's Hump Indivisible](#)

April 7, 6:30 PM, IRV Meeting: WHAT'S NEXT?, Randolph Senior Center, Indivisible Randolph

April 7, 6:30 PM, April Meeting - Know Your Rights, Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, [Queen City Vermont Indivisible](#)

April 8, 5:30 PM, CVI Member Meeting, Pierson Library/Historic Town Hall, Shelburne, Champlain Valley Indivisible

April 8, 6:00 PM, Virtual Text Bank for NC Voter ID, Virtual, [Lean Left / New Rural Project](#)

April 9, 5:30 PM, Membership Meeting, Second Congregational Church, Bennington, Bennington Indivisible

April 9, 7:00 PM, National MAY DAY Call to Action, Virtual, [Indivisible National](#)

April 11, 9:00 AM, Vermont Changemakers Summit, Harwood Union High School, Moretown, [VNRC & Allies](#)

April 12, 3:00 PM, One Year Anniversary Celebration, Snow Farm Vineyard, South Hero, Indivisible Champlain Islands

April 12, 4:00 PM, Elections Power Hour, Virtual, [Lean Left VT / Camel's Hump Indivisible](#)

April 16, 9:00 AM, State House Lobby Day, Vermont State House, Montpelier, [Democracy Alliance & Camel's Hump](#)

April 19, 4:00 PM, Resistance Social Hour, Prospect Coffee / Pangea Cafe, North Bennington, Bennington Indivisible

April 26, 11:00 AM, Nonviolent Direct Action Training, Bennington area, [ICE Out VT Alliance](#)

May 1, 4:00 PM, May Day Solidarity March & Rally, 28 Walnut Street, Williston, Vermont May Day Strong / Migrant Justice

May 8, 12:00 PM, ICE Out Vermont Demonstration & Sit-In, Taylor Park / CBP Office, St. Albans, [ICE Out VT Alliance](#)

### **Mailing lists mentioned in this week's newsletters**

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### **Outside groups mentioned in this week's newsletters**

- ACLU Vermont: <https://www.acluvt.org/>
- Migrant Justice: <https://migrantjustice.net/>
- Vermont Asylum Assistance Project (VAAP): <https://www.vaapvt.org/>
- ICE Out Vermont Alliance: <https://iceoutvt.org/>
- Lean Left VT: <https://leanleftvt.org/>
- Rural GroundGame: <https://www.ruralgroundgame.org/>
- Center for Common Ground: <https://www.centerforcommonground.org/>
- BlueVote: <http://bluevote.org/>
- Siembra NC: <https://siembranc.org/>
- NC Asian Americans Together in Action: <https://ncaatogether.org/>
- Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC): <https://vnrc.org/>
- Third Act Vermont: <https://thirdact.org/vermont/>
- Braver Angels: <https://braverangels.org/>
- UVRISEUP!: <https://uvriseup.org/>