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**ISSUES OF COMMUNITY CONCERN:**

- AGRICULTURE
- ECONOMY
- EDUCATION
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<b>AGRICULTURE</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>DATE</b>
This year's Farm Bill could help protect farmers in Wisconsin from imports of fake organic products. The Senate version of the legislation includes funding for the USDA to modernize data collection on organic imports. Reports of fraud and an internal audit recently highlighted the USDA's failure to enforce organic standards at U.S. ports. (Duration: 45 sec)	Morning Edition	7/2/18 @ 8 am
Agriculture trade groups in Wisconsin say their members would rather see open trade with other nations than more federal aid. The groups are lukewarm to President Trump's promise of \$12 billion to offset impacts of retaliatory tariffs on U.S. goods. (Duration: 45 sec)	Morning Edition	7/24/18 @ 5 am
The cost of farming in Wisconsin increased last year. The change was mainly due to increased spending on vehicles and farm machinery. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	8/6/18 @ 5 am
The US Department of Agriculture has announced it will buy \$50 million dollars worth of milk to help stabilize the dairy market. (Duration: 45 sec)	All Things Considered	8/17/18 @ 6 pm
Wisconsin has lost 429 dairy producers in the last eight months. The state is on track to lose the most dairy farms since 2013. (Duration: 47 sec)	All Things Considered	9/12/18 @ 5 pm

<b>ECONOMY</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>DATE</b>
The state of Wisconsin plans to start collecting sales tax from online stores later this year. That could mean an income tax break for Wisconsin residents. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	7/3/18 @ 5 am
Democratic candidates for governor are split on a proposed \$100 million incentive package aimed at keeping two Kimberly-Clark manufacturing facilities in Wisconsin. (Duration: 44 sec)	BBC Newshour	7/30/18 @ 3 pm

A new report shows Dane County's property is valued at about \$65 billion. That's above pre-recession levels and marks the first time the county's property is more valuable than property in Milwaukee County. (Duration: 43 sec)	Morning Edition	8/14/18 @ 6 am
A study shows Great Lakes ports in Wisconsin have a \$1.4 billion economic impact and support more than 7,400 jobs in the state. (Duration: 43 sec)	BBC Newshour	8/16/18 @ 3 pm
An economic analysis shows Brown County stands to benefit financially by getting rid of its prison. The Green Bay Correctional Institution is considered outdated and unsafe. If moved it could be replaced by retail space, luxury condos and a hotel. (Duration: 47 sec)	Morning Edition	9/4/18 @ 5 am

<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>DATE</b>
UW-Parkside and the Racine Unified School District are partnering-up to address a special education teacher shortage in the district. They're launching a two-year teacher residency program that will serve as a pipeline to meet the district's needs. (Duration: 42 sec)	Morning Edition	7/16/18 @ 5 am
School districts across Wisconsin are seeing their enrollment decline. In Milwaukee, the drop is due in part to fewer school-aged children. But the growing popularity of the state's voucher program that helps some families pay for private schools has also played a role. (Duration: 4 min, 9 sec)	All Things Considered	7/30/18 @ 4 pm
The Head of the Department of Public Instruction and Democratic gubernatorial hopeful is seeking \$600 million in additional special education funding in the state's next budget. Current special education funding is less than \$369 million. (Duration: 38 sec)	All Things Considered	7/30/18 @ 4 pm
The University of Wisconsin System announced that it's looking for a roughly \$108 million spending bump in the next state budget. (Duration: 48 sec)	BBC Newshour	8/20/18 @ 3 pm
A former student is accusing the Kenosha Unified School District and five school administrators of failing to protect him from bullying because of his sexuality. (Duration: 42 sec)	All Things Considered	9/19/18 @ 4 pm

<b>ENVIRONMENT</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Outbreaks of blue-green algae are coming a bit earlier on Wisconsin lakes this year. The blooms come just in time for the Fourth of July holiday and peak tourist season. (Duration: 43 sec)	All Things Considered	7/3/18 @ 4 pm
A recent study says erosion and runoff are hurting wetlands in the Lake Superior Basin. Researchers believe that's making northern Wisconsin more prone to flood damage. (Duration: 43 sec)	BBC Newshour	7/5/18 @ 3 pm
An environmental group has filed a federal lawsuit against the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency over new smog regulations in Wisconsin. The agency narrowed a list of areas that weren't meeting tougher standards for ground-level ozone pollution in May. (Duration: 47 sec)	BBC Newshour	8/1/18 @ 3 pm
Researchers are trying to pinpoint the cause of a recent blue-green algae bloom on Lake Superior. The bloom appears to be the largest one witnessed so far on the lake. (Duration: 43 sec)	Morning Edition	8/16/18 @ 5 am
Critics say Wisconsin may have violated a multi-state agreement covering Great Lakes water diversions in the case of Pleasant Prairie. Newly published findings show that the state increased the amount of water diverted to the village from Lake Michigan. (Duration: 48 sec)	Morning Edition	9/18/18 @ 8 am

<b>HEALTHCARE</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>DATE</b>
A package of Wisconsin laws passed in 2014 included funding for opioid treatment programs in high need, rural areas. (Duration: 40 sec)	Morning Edition	7/2/18 @ 5 am
Goldfish crackers and Ritz Bitz are some of the products that have been recalled after salmonella was found in an ingredient from Wisconsin. (Duration: 46 sec)	Morning Edition	7/26/18 @ 5 am

Wisconsin is hoping to expand limited treatment options for those with substance use disorders. State health officials have given UW Health a \$500,000 grant to set up an addiction hotline. It's for doctors who want expert advice on how to treat patients hooked on various substances. (Duration: 46 sec)	Morning Edition	8/16/18 @ 5 am
A report projects Wisconsin will face a shortage of primary care doctors by 2035. The executive director for the Wisconsin Academy of Family Physicians said as of mid-July the state needed more than 100 doctors who specialize in this area. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	8/10/18 @ 5 am
Health care experts say a state health insurance bill being promoted by Gov. Walker's campaign would fall well short of the federal protections Walker is trying to overturn. (Duration: 48 sec)	Morning Edition	9/17/18 @ 8 am

<b>POLITICS</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>DATE</b>
Gov. Walker says he's not convinced that President Trump's second Supreme Court pick opens the door to overturning the landmark Roe v. Wade abortion rights decision. (Duration: 43 sec)	Morning Edition	7/11/18 @ 5 am
Sen. Ron Johnson is responding to Democrats who say the Republican lawmaker has been too soft on Russia. (Duration: 46 sec)	All Things Considered	7/16/18 @ 5 pm
Wisconsin's Ethics Commission has hired a new full-time administrator to run the agency. The original administrator was fired earlier this year by Republican state senators. (Duration: 38 sec)	BBC Newshour	8/2/18 @ 3 pm
Immigration attorneys and others are worried about the possible impacts of changes U.S. Customs and Immigrations Services is making to policies related to denying visa applications. (Duration: 44 sec)	Morning Edition	8/8/18 @ 5 am
Democrats have re-filed a lawsuit that seeks to overturn Wisconsin's Republican drawn legislative districts. They added more plaintiffs in an effort to address the U.S. Supreme Court's concerns. (Duration: 45 sec)	BBC Newshour	9/14/18 @ 3 pm