FCC Programs and Issues – 4th Quarter WISW-AM

Duration of Broadcast: 30 minutes
Time of Broadcast: 6:00 AM

Program Title: Access Columbia

Date of Broadcast: October 1, 2023

Issue Discussed: Homelessness in The Midlands

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Terry Ford met with former professional basketball player Alex English to discuss his involvement with Family Promise, an organization dedicated to helping families experiencing homelessness in their quest to achieve independence. Each year, a gold tournament is held to raise the money for these families, and they discuss specifically where that money goes.

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Date of Broadcast: October 8, 2023

Issue Discussed: Service Animals and Special Needs

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Kaylin Mozdzen met with Hilary Bassett to discuss a community event, Paws For Elee. Elee was diagnosed with refractory epilepsy at just nine months old. To help with the extremely rare condition, Elee was on the waiting list for a service dog, also known as seizure alert dogs, to assist with a quicker reaction time. This event helped to raise money for the family to take on the cost associated with getting the dog for Elee, as well as to help with some medical bills.

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Date of Broadcast: October 15 and November 12, 2023 **Issue Discussed:** HIV and Aids Assistance in South Carolina

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Kaylin Mozdzen met with Carmen Hampton Julious, CEO of Palmetto Aids Life Support Services, to discuss their plans for their 38th anniversary in the Midlands. PALSS provides education, health, housing, and human services to persons living with and communities affected by HIV and AIDS. They discussed in depth how people impacted can utilize their services and how people can come to them and ask for assistance.

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Date of Broadcast: October 22, 2023

Issue Discussed: Academic Support

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Chris Connors met with Trey Glenham, Director of Development for City Year Columbia. City Year tasks their AmeriCorps members to serve in schools preparing students with the social, emotional and academic skills and mindsets to succeed in school and in life. They discussed how they work with school districts to provide support to students, and how they play a role in developing leaders, problem solvers, and more active citizens in our community.

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Date of Broadcast: October 29, 2023

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Issue Discussed: Medicare in The Midlands

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Blake Powers met with Crystal Strong from the South Carolina Council on Aging to discuss how they play a role helping members of our community with the Medicare process. They discussed open enrollment, health and drug coverage, Advantage Plans, and how SHIPs help Medicare beneficiaries.

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Date of Broadcast: November 5, 2023

Issue Discussed: Unexpected Hospital Stays for Families

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Chris Connors met with Beth Lowrie of the Ronald McDonald House here in Columbia to discuss what role RMDH plays for families. They provide a home away from home - with comfort, support and resources to families who travel far from home for the medical care their child needs. They discussed the need here in the Midlands, and what it looks like to operate something of this capacity on a local level.

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Date of Broadcast: November 19, 2023

Issue Discussed: Heart Health **Brief Description of Discussion:**

Host Terry Ford met with Kai Kroeger, punter for the University of South Carolina football team, to discuss his initiative with the American Heart Association of the Midlands and the importance of heart health. His campaign, Kickstart Your Heart, allowed Molina Health to place AEDs in sporting venues and other various locations here in the Midlands where they are needed the most.

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Date of Broadcast: November 26 and December 3, 2023 **Issue Discussed:** Diabetes Awareness in the Midlands

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Terry Ford met with Michelle Harris, Communications and Resource Coordinator for DHEC's Division of Diabetes & Heart Disease Management to discuss diabetes and how it impacts many people that live here in the Midlands. They touched on other health problems that can occur if you aren't properly managing your diabetes, how you can prevent being diagnosed with diabetes, the lifestyle that

you should live if you have diabetes, as well as some resources that members of the community can utilize to manage their diabetes better.

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Date of Broadcast: December 10, 2023

Issue Discussed: Caregiver Assistance in the Midlands

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Blake Powers met with Rene Beard from the South Carolina Department on Aging to discuss GetCareSC.com, the free website that anyone can visit to search for services and programs that serve older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers in South Carolina. They talked about just a few of the almost 150 different types of services that can be searched, including but not limited to Adult Day Care, Senior Centers, Medical Equipment, Meal Delivery and more.

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Date of Broadcast: December 17, 2023 **Issue Discussed:** Violent Crime Prevention

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Chris Connors met with Trevon Fordham, director for the Office of Violent Crime Prevention to discuss crime in the Midlands, and some of the initiatives that are being implemented on a city and county level to reduce the number of violent crimes that happen in our communities. They also discussed a community vigil that was taking place to offer support, educate the community on violent crime statistics, raise awareness, share updates about upcoming violence prevention initiatives, and to keep the critical public health and public safety issue of gun violence front and center throughout our city.

Program Title: Access Columbia

Date of Broadcast: December 24 and 31, 2023

Issue Discussed: Homelessness Amongst Midland's Families

Brief Description of Discussion:

Host Kaylin Mozdzen met with Lila Anna Sauls about Homeless No More, the preeminent organization in the Midlands working to stabilize, shelter and house vulnerable families – whether it's related to emergency services or transitional shelter. Discussion included housing supply and demand, legislation in the state house to benefit homeless families, the programs offered and how families can take advantage of their services, and the benefits of their children's programs.

Next Quarter Issues to Address:

- 1) Breast Cancer
- 2) Pregnancy Resources

- 3) HIV/Aids
- 4) Veterans
- 5) Domestic Violence
 - 6) Mental Illness
- 7) Affordable Housing
 - 8) Women's Health
 - 9) Retirement
 - 10) Diabetes
- 11) High Blood Pressure
 - 12) Blood Donation
 - 13) School Safety
- 14) Academic Support
- 15) Physical Fitness and Sports