

COMMUNITY ISSUES PROGRAM LIST- WXRA
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The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WXRA, INGLIS, FL for the period of January 1st-April 10th. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance. All times are Pacific Daylight Time.

1. Makeover
2. Addiction
3. Inflation
4. Childhood Obesity
5. Kids Creativity
6. Parents of Addicted children

Issue	Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Program
Makeover	Closer Look	1/14/2024	7:00pm	29:07	<p>Closer Look: Old Schools Get Free Makeovers Through Heart Of America</p> <p>Visit public schools across the U.S. and you travel back in time. “This country created the majority of its schools during the 1940s, 50s and 60s,” says Jill Hardy-Heath, President and CEO of Heart of America. Disrepair deeply affects learning. “If you walk into a school where you have peeling paint and ceiling tiles that are falling, and things have not been updated – think about how that would make you feel.” HOA is committed to raising the spirits of those students and teachers. Fresh coats of paint are only the beginning. “We transform spaces,” she smiles. “Think about Extreme Home Makeover, but School Edition.”</p>
Addiction	Closer Look	1/21/2024	7:00pm	12:55	<p>Closer Look: Gambling, Suicide Risk and Addiction Recovery</p> <p>Gambling addiction is a leading cause of suicide in the United States. The thrill of the bet buries vulnerable gamblers deep in debts matched only by their secret shame. But stats prove you can win recovery, as 2 out of 3 people who seek treatment are able to stop. Rafael Sierra talks with Derek Longmeier of Problem Gambling Network of Ohio and Keith Whyte of the National Council on Problem Gambling. Need to talk? Call the National Problem Gambling Helpline: (800) 522-4700.</p> <p>https://www.klove.com/news/closer-look/dollars-and-sense/closer-look-gambling-suicide-risk-and-addiction-recovery-3518</p>
Inflation	Closer Look	2/4/2024	7:00pm	28:38	<p>Closer Look: Food Prices, Fight Inflation From Your Fridge</p> <p>Food costs more these days. COVID-19 shutdowns drove up the price of labor, fertilizer and fuel needed to move crops from farms to factories to stores and eventually to your kitchen. What can you do? Should you panic buy? Comparison shop? Billie Wright checks in with Assoc Prof. Joe Balagtas at Purdue University and Jordan Page, lifestyle blogger and mom of 8 for proven tips on cutting your grocery bill.</p>

Childhood Obesity	Closer Look	2/18/2024	7:00pm	14:46	<p>Closer Look: Tackle Childhood Obesity At Home, Church And School</p> <p>Millions of American kids suffer words like chubby or chunky – or fat – to describe their young bodies. The COVID-19 lockdowns only worsened already alarming levels of childhood obesity, as the CDC found the BMI (body mass index) in children ages 2-19 years old increase nearly doubled during the pandemic. Excess weight weakens growing muscles and joints and can lead to juvenile diabetes or even trigger life-threatening asthma “Prevention is what we really want, right?” says Geri Henchy, Director of Nutrition Policy at the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC). “We want kids to be in environments that are not obesogenic; where they’re gonna get healthy meals, where there isn’t a lot of junk food, where they have activities -- that’s really gonna make a difference for kids.”</p>
Kids creativity	Closer Look	3/3/2024	7:00pm	16:11	<p>Closer Look: Young Storytellers Outreach Brings Kid-Scripts To Stage</p> <p>Children feel the thrill of seeing their scripts come to life with the help of creative-writing mentors and local actors who volunteer to perform. Though based primarily in Los Angeles, the arts program Young Storytellers works to scale its success to other cities by providing free online videos educators can use to help students shape stories. Monika Kelly reports.</p>
Parents of Addicted Children	Closer Look	3/24/2024	7:00pm	28:41	<p>Closer Look: Parents Of Addicted Loved Ones Turn To PAL Groups For Support</p> <p>One of your kids is on drugs. Getting in trouble. Calling you over and over bail them out. You don’t know what to do. PAL Groups bring people together to swap stories and share strategies -- online or in-person. “<i>When we found PAL we’re like okay, we’re not alone, there’s other people who’ve been down this road.</i>” Monika Kelly reports.</p>

Interfaith Emergency Services	PSA	November 1-15, 2023	15 seconds	112 spots, 8 times each day	Interfaith Emergency Services offers assistance to residents of Marion County. They provide basic human needs including food, shelter, clothing and medication assistance. God's hand extended to those in need. Go to "IES Marion dot org".
Christian Family Services - Inglis	Local News	10/1/2023	7:30pm	n/a	Ron Turner talks to Jerry Callens, Executive Director at Christian Family Services Ocala about options available to unexpectant mothers regarding parenting or adoption choices. Callens talks about how Christian Family Services can help support mothers in their decision process. Callens discusses why putting a child up for adoption may not be the best choice in all cases, and how they can help the mother with parental training and prepare them through a difficult time. Callens explains that children that are adopted, are placed in Christian homes, giving the child an opportunity to succeed spiritually and understand the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Callens describes his personal connection to adoptive families and is humbled that God has made him available to help women with unexpected pregnancies preserve that life and give it a bright, Christian filled future. They can be contacted at (www.christianfamilyservices.com)
Children's Home Society of Florida	PSA	March 11-25, 2024	15 seconds	120 spots, 8 times each day	Children's Home Society of Florida believes in the potential of every child and family. They empower parents and their children to build upon their unique strengths to realize their incredible potential. Find out how you can get involved at "CHS FL dot org".

Straight Ahead Ministries - Worcester	Local News	2/18/2024 3/28/2024	7:30pm	n/a	Peter Kaye speaks with Dr Scott Larson, president of Straight Ahead Ministries, a faith-based ministry serving care and support for justice-involved youth since 1987. Larson discusses the need for reaching out to this population where they are at helping them navigate their future success in a safe environment. He proudly shares multiple stories of youth turning their lives around because of a relationship with Jesus Christ and their local community giving them an opportunity through Straight Ahead's Straight2Work program. Larson shares is cheaper per day to send a youth to Harvard than it is to lock them up and urges others to get involved in making a difference in the lives of our youth.

