COMMUNITY PROBLEMS LIST *, ** 07//01/2023-09/30/2023

#1..... ECONOMY IN CENTRAL OREGON

BUILDING AND TOURISM COMING BACK

UNEMPLOYMENT IN REGION UNDER 4%

NEED FOR WORKERS IN HOSPITALITY AND RESTAURANTS

#2..... TRAFFIC

NEEDED ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE IN CENTRAL OREGON

FUNDING FOR ROADS IN CENTRAL OREGON

FUNDING FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

#3..... QUALITY OF LIFE

AIR QUALITY/WILDFIRES

FOREST HEALTH/PRESCRIBED BURNS/SENATE BILL 762

WATER/WATER RIGHTS/GROUNDWATER QUALITY/SPOTTED FROG

ENVIORNMENT/BIOTECH/GOING GREEN/BIOFUELS/BIOMASS

#4..... SCHOOLS

K-12 SCHOOLS STUDENTS BACK TO NORMAL AFTER COVID-19

OSU-CASCADES AND COCC MEETING STUDENTS NEEDS

BUILDING NEW SCHOOLS

#5..... COMMUNITY GROWTH

FEDERAL MONIES TO HELP SMALL BUSINESSES

WATER/SEWER EXPANSION AND COSTS

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

SITING A NEW LAND FILL IN DESCHUTES COUNTY

#6..... CRIME

ILLEGAL MARIJUANA AND PSILOCYBIN GROWS

METHAMPHETAMINE. HEROIN. FENTANYL AND OPIOID ABUSE PROBLEM'S

REPEALING OR CHANGING MEASURE 110; VOTER APPROVED IN 2020

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS/ RED CROSS

DESCHUTES COUNTY STABILIZATION CENTER

#7..... SOCIAL CONCERNS

SOCIAL ACTIVISM/SOCIAL JUSTICE BEING INCLUSIVE OF PEOPLE OF COLOR

HEALTHCARE/ PHYSICAL AND MENTAL/STROKE AWARENESS

CHILD ABUSE/FUNDING FOR KIDS CENTER/MTN STAR

TAKING CARE OF GROWING HOMELESS POPULATION, PROBLEMS

HELP FUNDING RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE OF C.O.

HEART OF OREGON CORPS FUNDING

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

*COMMUNITY PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS ARE BASED ON CONTACTS WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS, INTERVIEWS WITH PEOPLE IN CENTRAL OREGON, NEWS COVERAGE IN CENTRAL OREGON ALONG WITH ISSUES ON KSJJ, KXIX, KMGX AND KRXF.

**COVERAGE OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS ARE ADDRESSED THROUGH NEWS ON KMGX, KXIX, KSJJ, KRXF, AND FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREGON WHICH AIRS SUNDAY MORNINGS 6AM ON KXIX, KRXF, AND 5AM ON KSJJ AND KMGX. THE PROGRAM LASTS HALF AN HOUR.

PROGRAMS ADDRESSING COMMUNITY PROBLEMS 07/01/2023-09/30/2023

07/02/2023..... GUESTS ON OUR FOCUS IN CENTRAL OREGON PROGRAM INCLUDED SOLID WASTE MANAGER FOR DESCHUTES COUNTY, CHAD CENTOLA, CAPTAIN WILLIAM BAILEY OF THE DESCHUTES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND OCHOCO NATIONAL FOREST SPOKESPERSON KASSIDY KERN....CENTOLA SPOKE ABOUT WHERE THE COUNTY IS ATTEMPTING TO SITE A NEW LANDFILL IN THE COUNTY, TO REPLACE KNOTT LANDFILL BY 2029...2 POSSIBLE SITES HAVE BEEN FOUND EAST OF BEND...CAPTAIN BAILEY TALKED ABOUT THE NEED FOR THE CORE 3 CENTER EAST OF REDMOND, WHICH WOULD SUPPORT VARIOUS TRAINING EXERCISES AND BE AN EMERCENCY COMMAND CENTER NEEDED FOR THE REGION...KERN TALKED ABOUT THE 4TH OF JULY AND BEING CAREFUL NOT TO HAVE ANY HUMAN CAUSED FIRES ON PUBLIC LANDS... THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 3, QUALITY OF LIFE, AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 5 COMMUNITY GROWTH...

07/23/2023.....ON THIS FOCUS PROGRAM, THE DESCHUTES COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND COUNTY COUNSEL DAN DOYLE EXPLORED A HOMELESS AND CAMPING ORDINANCE FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF DESCHUTES COUNTY, AND WHAT IT WOULD TAKE TO SET UP MANAGED CAMPS...THE CAMPS WOULD HAVE TO BE IN THE URBAN GROWTH BOUNDARY OF A CITY AND THERE WOULD NEED TO BE AT LEAST 2, ACCORDING TO THE 9TH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS...THE COMMISSIONRS HAVE BEEN ADRESSING TWO MAJOR HOMELESS AREAS OF CONCERN, ALONG CHINA HAT ROAD AND IN THE JUNIPER RIDGE AREA....THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 5, COMMUNITY GROWTH, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 6, CRIME AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 7, SOCIAL CONCERNS...

08/13/2023.....DISTRICT 59 REPRESENTATIVE VIKKI BREESE-IVERSON WAS OUR GUEST ON FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREON... THE HOUSE MINORITY LEADER TALKED ABOUT THE SESSION OF THE OREGON LEGISLATURE GONE BY AND SOME OF THE WINS AND LOSSES...ONE OF THE LOSSES, NOT PASSING A BILL TO CREATE MORE HOUSING TO TAKE CARE OF PEOPLE MOVING INTO THE STATE WITH ONE OF THE WINS BEING MONIES GOING TO HELP THE HOMELESS...WATER REMAINS AN ISSUE IN OREGON AND IVERSON SAID MORE MONIES SHOULD HAVE BEEN PUT TOWARDS SCHOOLS AS CHILDREN IN THE YOUNGER GRADES ARE HAVING PROBLEMS... THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER ONE, THE ECONOMY COMING BACK, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 4, SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER, 5 COMMUNITY GROWTH AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 7, SOCIAL CONCERNS...

08/20/2023..... OUR GUEST ON FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREGON WAS JOHN SALTENBERGER, FIRE WEATHER PROGRAM MANGER AT THE NORTHWEST INTERAGENCY COORDINATION CENTER...SALTENBERGER SPOKE ON THE WEATHER OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS AND WHAT THAT MEANT TO THE REGION AS WE GET HOTTER AND DRIER... THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 3, QUALITY OF LIFE...

09/24/2023... OUR GUESTS FOR THIS FOCUS PROGRAM WERE MAX WILLIAMS SPOKESPERSON FOR THE GROUP FIX MEASURE 110, PASSED BY OREGON VOTERS IN 2020 AND NICOLE MARDELL, DESCHUTES COUNTY PLANNER... MAX SPOKE ABOUT THE NEED TO RECRIMINALIZE THE USE OF DRUGS IN OREGON, BUT KEEP THE TREATMENT MONIES AVAILABLE TO HELP THE ADDICTED, WHILE MARDEL SPOKE ABOUT THE UPDATEO F THE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, DEALING WITH THE POPULATION, ROADS, WILDFIRES AND THE HOMELESS... THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 1, THE ECONOMY, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 2, ROADS, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 3, QUALITY OF LIFE, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 5, COMMUNITY GROWTH, AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 7, SOCIAL CONCERNS...