COMMUNITY PROBLEMS LIST *, ** 10//01/2023-12/31/2023

#1..... ECONOMY COMING BACK

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

ENVIRONMENT/BIOTECH/GOING GREEN/BIOFUELS/BIOMASS

#4..... SCHOOLS

UNION CONTRACT TALKS UNRESOLVED FOR BEND LAPINE SCHOOLS

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

CITY OF BEND UGB EXPANSION BUILD OUT

#6..... CRIME

ILLEGAL MARIJUANA AND PSILOCYBIN GROWS

METHAMPHETAMINE, HEROIN, FENTANYL AND OPIOID ABUSE PROBLEMS

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

GROWING HOMELESS POPULATION, PROBLEMS/MEASURE 110 REFORM

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 AND CONCERNS 10/01/2023-12/31/2023

10/08/23.....OUR GUEST ON FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREGON WAS DESCHUTES COUNTY PLANNER NICOLE MARDELL, TALKING ABOUT THE DRAFT OF THE DESCHUTES COUNTY 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OUT FOR REVIEW...THE PLAN TAKES A LOOK AT EVERY ASPECT OF LAND USE ISSUES WITHIN THE RURAL PORTIONS OF COUNTY FROM MULE DEER MIGRATION TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS TO LOOKING FOR PROPERTY FOR A NEW LANDFILL... THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSES COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER ONE, THE ECONOMY, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 2, TRAFFIC, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 3 QUALITY OF LIFE AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 5, COMMUNITY GROWTH...

11/12/2023.....OUR GUEST ON FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREGON WAS CENTRAL OREGON COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADVANCEMENT OFFICER AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COCC FOUNDATION, ZAK BOONE, TALKING ABOUT A 1 MILLION DOLLAR GRANT FROM THE JMTF FOUNDATION THAT WILL GO TO HELP BUILD THE NEW BUILDING ON THE MADRAS CAMPUS WHICH WILL BREAK GROUND IN THE SPRING OF 2024...BOONE TALKED ABOUT HOW THE COMMUNITY HAS COME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THE CAMPUS AND BRING AN ECONOMIC PUNCH TO JEFFERSON COUNTY...THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER ONE, THE ECONOMY, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 4, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 5 COMMUNITY GROWTH...

11/26/2023.....OUR GUEST ON FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREGON WAS FRANK PATKA THE 3RD WHO IS A PART OF A NEW NON PROFIT CALLED CHANGING PATTERNS...THE GROUP HELPS THOSE GETTING OUT OF PRISON TO RE ENTER INTO SOCIETY WITH THE HELP OF A MENTOR...THEY HELD THEIR 1ST EVER FUNDRAISER TO HELP THEIR CAUSE...THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 6, CRIME AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 7, SOCIAL CONCERNS...

12/24/2023.....5TH DISTRICT CONGRESSWOMAN LORI CHAVEZ DEREMER WAS OUR GUEST ON FOCUS ON CENTRAL OREGON... CHAVEZ-DEREMER WAS HOLDING A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN CENTRAL OREGON TALKING ABOUT A VARIETY OF ISSUES INCLUDING FUNDING FOR AGRICULTURE WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE FARM BILL IN 2024, HER WORK TO STABILIZE FUNDING FOR THOSE WHO FIGHT WILDFIRES ON FEDERAL LANDS AND MONIES TO TAKE CARE OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE U.S., UPGRADING THE HIGHWAYS AND THE ELECTRICAL GRID... SHE ALSO TALKED ABOUT THE FENTANYL CRISIS AND WORKING WITH THE GOVERNOR TO CHANGE MEASURE 110.. THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 2, TRAFFIC, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 3, QUALITY OF LIFE, COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 6, CRIME AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 7, SOCIAL CONCERNS...

12/31/2023.....FOR OUR FOCUS PROGRAM THIS WEEK, DESCHUTES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY STEVE GUNNELS MADE A PRESENTATION TO THE DESCHUTES COUNTY COMMISSIONER ON A LIST OF CHANGES VARIOUS ELECTED OFFICIALS INCLUDING THE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEYS WOULD LIKE TO SEE MADE TO MEASURE 110 IN THE UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE SESSION. INCLUDING THE RE-CRIMINALIZATION OF SMALL QUANTITIES OF HARD DRUGS...THIS PROGRAM ADDRESSED COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 6, CRIME AND COMMUNITY PROBLEM NUMBER 7 SOCIAL CONCERNS...