

# **ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT**

**FOR**

**WRCH FM HD2**

**FOURTH QUARTER 2016**

**(October 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>)**

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## **WRCH PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES**

### **1. Dialogue: (Sundays, 6:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.)**

**Produced by the Connecticut Radio Network, this program focuses on governmental and political issues affecting the state of Connecticut; hosted By Steve Kotchko**

### **2. Spotlite: (Sundays, 7:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.)**

**Hosted by Mary Scanlon, this program features topical issues of concern to the community and the state**

## **QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT**

**Fourth Quarter 2016  
(October 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31st)**

### **MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING**

**ISSUE: HEALTH/SAFETY**

**Spotlite  
October 9, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Kevin W. Reese, Drugless Holistic Health Practitioner. Kevin discusses his previous health battles that helped him create a method called the Three D's (Diet, De-Stress & Detox). The Three D's has become the structure to The Sunlight Shift, his 1-Year lifestyle program where fruits and vegetables are a major component to living a sickness free healthy life. He tells more about the benefits of medicinal tea.**

**Dialogue  
October 16, 2016  
6:30 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Epidemiologist Mick Bolduc from the State Department of Public Health discussed the best protection from getting the flu is to get a flu shot. Bolduc told it is recommended that everyone 6 months of age and older get a flu shot on a yearly basis.**

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**Jill Spinetti, President and CEO of the Governor's Prevention Partnership, and Peter Helms, a person in recovery, who wants to help others avoid addiction discussed Connecticut's growing heroin/opioid crisis.**

**Spotlite  
October 23, 2016**

**7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Dr. Christine Rizk from St Francis Hospital discussed October being Breast Cancer Awareness Month. She talked about risks , signs, symptoms, treatment prevention and progress.**

**Spotlite  
October 30, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Bryte Johnson, Connecticut Government Relations Director for the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network and Amanda Sadlon, Health Systems Manager with the American Cancer Society discussed Thursday November 17th being the date for The Great American Smoke out 2016! The American Cancer Society Great American Smoke out event is your chance to triumph over addiction. Every November, we set aside the third Thursday to encourage smokers to go the distance, and to finally give up smoking.**

**Spotlite  
November 27, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Dr. Tom Brown from Doctors Express Urgent care in West Hartford discussed the upcoming cold and flu season Enterovirus, Whooping Cough and tips on how to stay healthy. (Also listed under “Elderly”)**

**Spotlite  
December 4, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Victoria Veltri, Health Care Advocate for The State of Connecticut discussed healthcare and healthcare coverage. If you are having problems with your coverage and don't know where to turn The Office of the Healthcare Advocate is there to help you understand what options you have, how to get and fight for your healthcare coverage, including coverage for mental health or substance use treatment, and to make sure you get covered for your healthcare needs. The service is free of charge. (Also listed under “Childcare”)**

**Spotlite  
December 18, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
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**Pamela Atwood & Madelene Francese from Hebrew Health Care discussed long-term skilled nursing care, short-term rehabilitation, geriatric medical hospital care, behavioral health hospital care, assisted living, home health care, hospice services, adult day centers, and outpatient medical and therapy services they are poised to meet the unique needs and wants of each individual they serve. (Also listed under “Elderly”)**

**Spotlite  
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**ISSUE: SOCIAL**

**Spotlite  
October 2, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Alicia Wright Public Relations Director for the Connecticut Humane Society discussed CHS being a leading resource in the state for companion animal welfare, enriching the lives of families and communities through adoption services, medical care, education, and prevention of cruelty. (Also listed under “Environmental”)**

**Spotlite  
November 6, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**James Arena-DeRosa President and CEO of Foodshare discussed the food bank's Turkey and a 30 program that is happening all month long. Hunger is an invisible problem, so most people are unaware of how large a problem it is. In Hartford and Tolland counties alone—the area served by Foodshare—there are 137,000 people who cannot be sure where their next meal is coming from. That includes one out of every six children in the area. Part 1 of 2 (also listed under “Childcare & Elderly”)**

**Spotlite  
November 13, 2016  
7:00 a.m.  
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**Jewels for Hope discussed creating one of a kind jewelry with a purpose, giving back. Profits from every sale of the unique handmade jewelry created by Sandy & Stevie is donated to charities including , Hospice, MJF Parkinson's Foundation , Terri Brodeur Breast Cancer Foundation & Paint The Town Pink, Kristen Cusato's Alzheimer's Association American Cancer Society, We Stop Hate, The Lauren Rousseau Memorial Scholarship, Operation Music Aid & The National MS Society.**

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**Dialogue  
December 11, 2016  
6:30 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Karen Jarmoc, CEO of the Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, discussed a new report that they put out regarding the use of emergency domestic violence shelters in Connecticut by people in fear of domestic violence. Vehicles Department is at, after all of the computer glitches that kept happening after a switchover to a new computer system.**

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**Susan Linker from Our Companions Animal Rescue discussed the Connecticut-based nonprofit organization and the extraordinary lengths to help animals in need today, while working to prevent animals from becoming homeless tomorrow**

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**Alicia Woodsby, Executive Director of the Partnership for Strong Communities discussed that they are a statewide non-profit, policy and advocacy organization that is dedicated to ending homelessness, expanding affordable housing, and building strong communities in Connecticut. (Also listed under “Elderly”)**

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**Johanna Krebs, Project Manager for Mothers Against Drunk Driving, discussed issues they are concerned with regarding drinking and driving in our state. With it being the holiday season there are many holiday parties and of course New Year’s Eve parties and celebrations.**

**ISSUE: CHILD CARE**

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**Linda Dixon, an administrator with the Department of Children and Families discussed November being national adoption awareness month. She told that a focus of the month was on child specific recruitment. Dixon says it’s an intensive, individualized, tailored approach based on the child’s specific needs, background, strengths, and interests.**

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**ISSUE: EDUCATION**

**ISSUE: ELECTION**

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**Quinnipiac University Poll Director Doug Schwartz discussed how things were shaping up as we got nearer to Election Day ... focusing on the big presidential race between Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Donald Trump. (Also listed under “Political”)**

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**Secretary of the State Denise Merrill discussed what people need to know for Election Day just days away on November 8th. (Also listed under “Political”)**

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**Dr. Ken Long, Professor of History and Political Science at the University of St. Joseph gave his views on the results of the presidential election in which Donald Trump surprised and stunned everyone winning the election over Hillary Clinton. (Also listed under “Political”)**

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**Tim Phelan, President of the Connecticut Retail Merchants Association, discussed the holiday shopping season ahead. The season normally gets going with the big Black Friday sales the day after Thanksgiving. However, recently those sales have been starting right on Thanksgiving Day itself with many stores opening later in the day.**

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