

## VIEWPOINT OVERVIEW OCTOBER, NOVEMBER, DECEMBER 2019

10/6/19 Debbie Stewart, Howard County Clerk. Discussed the upcoming city elections in Kokomo and Russiaville. Last day for voter registration is October 7<sup>th</sup>. First day for early voting is October 8<sup>th</sup>. Discussed where local voting centers are located and the hours they will be available.

10/13/19 Sherry Rahl, Jamie Whitaker of Turning Point. Discussed the history of this local organization designed to help those with mental health and addiction issues. Also talked about special programs that are being used to help find solutions. Ways to contact Turning Point were also presented.

10/20/19 Mathias Engle, Howard County Extension educator. Talked about the legalization of hemp and how its legalization is impacting agriculture in Howard County. Also discussed late planting and how that has affected yields and harvest plus other duties of Engle's office including those of a residential nature.

10/27/19 Brandon Chapman. Talked about a planned fundraiser for the Kokomo Rescue Mission, a day of touch football open to all area high school students at Walter Cross Field. Scheduled for Saturday November 30, the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

11/3/19 Brandon Chapman. Repeat of the 10/27/19 show to develop awareness for the planned day of touch football and the fundraiser for the Kokomo Rescue Mission

11/10/19 Sherry Rahl, Jamie Whitaker of Turning Point. Repeat of 10/13/19 to help build awareness of the program.

11/17/19 Mathias Engle, Howard County Extension educator. Repeated program from 10/20/19 with the announcement of a hemp product facility becoming operational in Howard County

11/24/19 Jeff Newton, director of Kokomo Urban Outreach. Jeff talked about the UP programs for youth that gives them a hand up, not a hand out. The remodeling of the former Trinity United Methodist Church continues transforming the church into a youth activity center. Also discussed was the boutique operating out of the former Hobson Cleaners building on South Home Avenue.

12/1/19 Sherry Rahl, Jamie Whitaker of Turning Point. Repeat of the evergreen program from 10/13/19. Continuing to build awareness for this important program in Howard County.

12/8/19 Jeff Newton, director of Kokomo Urban Outreach. Repeat of show from 11/24/19.

12/15/19 and 12/22/19 Sgt. Tony Slocum, PIO Indiana State Police Peru Post. Discussed some holiday shopping tips to help keep people safe from thieves. Holiday travel and the rules of the road were also talked about. Plans for the upcoming winter season and some new tech being used by INDOT this winter. Also Tony talked about an increase in ISP presence during the holidays.

12/29/19 Three edited interviews from 2019 with Tracy Martino of the Family Service Association about some of the programs and services her organization offers. Kristina Sommers of the Howard County Health Department and some tips to prepare for floods and for major snow storms. Chuck Bell of the Tipton County EMA, talking about reviving the EMA organization in Tipton County and the cooperation with other first responders in that area.

