



Issue and Programs Report

for

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RenewFM, through talking with pastors, community leaders and people with a strong concern for their community, have determined that the following issues are the current issues of highest concern in the area and this report has been created to show how we have addressed these issues.

1. Education

RenewFM believe that a good Biblical education is the foundation of a rewarding and satisfying life (Jesus said that he came to give life and that abundantly!). Education is important because the more knowledgeable we are about God the better equipped we are to make life decisions that will benefit us (and other) in the long-term. We also believe that, in addition to studying God's word, it is important that our children are getting a good education in schools and that our undergraduate and graduate students are being taught unbiased truth in their learning institutions. So we encourage people to stand up for truth and fight for good teachers in educational systems.

2. The Economy & Employment

Due to the current economic recession, families in northeast are experiencing a higher difficulty in being able to acquire a mortgage, find employment and afford health care. We at RenewFM try to provide programming that encourages our listeners to make wise financial decisions through good financial stewardship during these uncertain times and to put their trust in God knowing that he provides for our needs.

3. Family & Marriage

RenewFM understands that no family situation is perfect. We desire to provide programming that addresses all types of issues for struggling families. But our solution to these issues is found in Biblical principles and spiritual wisdom not just in psychologists and self help books. We strongly promote a family first structure of living with a high value put on Biblical marriage.

4. Religious Freedom

We at RenewFM are doing our best to educate people that religious and constitutional freedoms are often an issue in schools and there is a constant struggle to take God out of the schools. RenewFM brings programming that addresses the true heart issues of fear, religious freedom and security.

5. Public Safety

Whether our listeners have to deal with icy roads, blazing fires or windy weather, we want them to be well equipped for anything that could come their way. So we provide programming to deal with some of the safety issues in hopes that it may just save a life one day. That's why it's important to us that listeners be aware of safety hazards within their homes, cars and workplaces.

The following are different types of programming used to address these broadcast issues:

“Around the Town”, is a locally produced program focusing on issues, informing the community and encouraging education that relate to the city and county of license (we receive no financial reimbursement).

“Public Service Announcements” are messages in the public interest disseminated by the media without charge, with the objective of raising awareness, changing public attitudes and behavior towards a social issue.

“Community Calendar” aired twice daily at different times to reach as many listeners as possible. (Community specific)

“Regular Programming” Programs from around the country produced by various teachers, Pastors and/or ministries.

Education:

“Around the Town”

Title: Sunshine Soup Kitchen

Host: Paula Bishop

Guest: Cynthia Dwyer, Executive Director of SSK Derry, NH

Aired: Aug. 30 & 31, Sept. 6 & 7, @ 3 pm, 22 minutes

Topic: Soup Kitchen ministry that is serving 5 hot meals Mon- Fri. for anyone in need, also providing bible studies, meals to homebound, survival packs to homeless, rides to shelter, clothing ministry since 1989.

Title: How to Beat the Back to School Blues

Host: Paula Bishop

Guest: Daniel Huerta, Social Worker with Focus on the Family

Aired: Aug. 23 & 24, @ 3 pm for 16 minutes

Topic: Preparing kids for back to school issues such as self esteem, anxiety, peer pressure with tips for kids and their parents to cope, overcome & thrive and also offered access to a free consultation line and website resources to help.

“Community Calendar”

In accordance to our commitment to **Education** the Community Calendar airs announcements for current events taking place in northern Worcester County twice daily.

“Regular Programming”

The Word Remains with host George Small of Fitchburg, MA, and is a locally produced, 15 minute daily program expounding the Bible.

Pastor's Perspective with host Don Stewart and visiting Pastors who take live calls addressing questions and comments from listeners. Program airs Monday through Friday 6:00-7:00 pm. One Friday a month is an East Coast version with Pastors from the East Coast using the same call-in format.

World News Briefing with hosts Pastor Don Stewart taking a look at current events in the Middle East and around the world. Program airs Fridays 6:00-7:00 pm.

BreakPoint: BreakPoint and the Colson Center for Christian Worldview seek to equip and train modern Christians to carry on that culture-shaping work by bringing the Christian worldview to bear in all areas of life. This program airs Monday through Friday two times per day for 4 minutes. Saturday it airs for 30 minutes starting at 5 PM.

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The Economy & Employment:

“Regular Programming”

IRN USA News updates every hour.

SongTime with host John Debrine of Hyannis, MA, a locally produced, 57 minute daily program, which airs 11:00-12:00 pm Saturdays. And a 27 minute program which airs Saturdays at 7:00am, which discuss various current events in America & around the world, and how the Bible applies to these events.

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Family & Marriage:

“Around the Town”

Title: Army One Source

Host: Paula Bishop

Guest: Tammy Mosher, Army Community Support Coordinator

Aired: Sept.20 & 21, @ 3pm, 19 minutes

Topic: How churches & communities can support & train individuals to counsel active military and retired military persons how to cope with problems such as re-integration into community, emotional scars from the war and from separation from family and how to help them with employment search.

“Regular Programming”

New Man, a 5 minute weekday program at 5:00pm. This show focuses on a man’s role in society and the family, encouraging them to walk boldly with the Lord. They provide timely resources and interview many who have committed their lives to supporting men.

Proverbs 31 Ministries twice daily at 11:00am & 2:00pm. Proverbs 31 Ministries is a 1 minute program focusing on marriage, family, parenting and motherhood issues. The purpose of the program is advice, instruction and encouragement to women in these varying roles.

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Religious Freedom:

“Around the Town”

Title: The Power of Forgiveness

Host: Paula Bishop

Guest: Robin Farnsworth, Cape Cod, MA

Aired: August 9 & 10, @ 3 pm, 21 minutes

Topic: A personal testimony of how God used a small town tragedy and the forgiveness and obedience of a grieving mother and transformed the lives of many in the community with his redemptive love and the power of the gospel.

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Public Safety:

“Around the Town”

Title: Not for One Minute Campaign

Host: Paula Bishop

Guest: Rayna Charles, Parenting Expert @ Children’s Trust Org.

Aired: July 12, 13, 26, 27, @ 3pm., 9 minutes

Topic: Public awareness alert informing parents with tips to avoid leaving kids in hot cars this summer, which causes heat stroke brain damage and even death. They provide informational poster available to retailers, child care centers and medical facilities throughout Mass.

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Hometown Forecast Services weather updates every hour.

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