

PUBLIC AFFAIRS REPORT
For
KPXC-TV
DENVER-COLORADO
FOURTH QUARTER ENDING 12/31/2015

In accordance with section 73.3526(e)(11)(i) of the Federal Communications Commission rules, the following, in the opinion of KPXC-TV, are the problems and needs of the community for the time period noted above. They are not necessarily listed in order of importance. Each is identified by significant public affairs and/or public service programming in response to these needs.

Issues: 4th Quarter

1. Presidential Race
2. Aurora Theater Trial Conclusion
3. Gun Violence
4. Syrian Refugees
5. Health Care
6. Housing Market
7. Environment
7. Federal and State Government
8. Public Transportation
9. Marijuana
10. Homelessness
11. Denver Public Schools
12. Law Enforcement
13. Denver Business Development

A detailed summary of each program content, including guests, affiliations, and date of broadcast is included in this report.

KPXC-TV airs the following Public Affairs programs:

Colorado Inside Out, produced by CPT12 (formerly KBDI Public Television) – Every Thursday 5:30am, duration 30 minutes

Colorado State of Mind, produced by KRMA Public Television– Every Tuesday 5am starting 03/05/13, alternate Thursdays 5:00am, duration 30 minutes

The Aaron Harber Show, produced by CPT12 (Colorado Public Television) – Every Tuesday 5:30am starting 03/05/13, Alternate Thursdays 5:00am, duration 30 minutes

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Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: John Allen Pt. 1
Air Date: Thursday, October 01, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Middle East Conflicts
Guest: John Allen, Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL

John Allen discusses his experiences in the Middle East and leading the security dialogue between Palestinians and Israelis, the difficulties with competing forces in the region, seeking options to bring sides together, what he has learned about Palestinians that Americans need to know, and the US' interest in a 2-state outcome essential for Israel's long-term strategic viability as a state and sovereignty for Palestine. He also talks about forming a coalition of states to push against ISIL to recover the territorial integrity of Iraq, long-term approach to defeat ISIL, ISIL's background and their use of social media to spread terror.

Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Program #2342
Air Date: Thursday, October 01, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Law Enforcement, Sage Grouse, Amendment 23
Host Dominic Dezzutti - Host
Panel Patricia Calhoun - Westword
Craig Silverman – Attorney, Radio Talk Show Host
Penfield Tate – Attorney, Kutak Rock
Natasha Gardner – Senior Editor, 5280 Magazine

Topic 1: A court ruled this week that the way the Colorado Government has worked around Amendment 23 school funding measure is indeed constitutional.

Topic 2: As congressional leaders face a showdown over a possible government shutdown, local democrats are urging leaders to work over the weekend.

Topic 3: The Denver police announced this week that it will require off duty officers working security to wear body cameras. The decision reverses a policy that allowed officers to not wear cameras while working off duty shifts.

Topic 4: The Department of the Interior announced this week that the greater sage grouse will not need protection from the endangered species act. Credit was given to one of the largest conservation efforts in national history, including officials from Colorado.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1337
Air Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Missing Persons
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Mitch Morrissey, Denver DA

Missing persons' cases in the US on any given day: 80,000. In storage at medical examiners' offices around the country: the unclaimed, unnamed remains of 10,000 people. In Colorado, there were over 16,000 runaways since 2007 but only 245 have been reclassified as missing persons. But there is no mandatory, uniform requirement for the cases to be entered into a national data base, where a match may be found. I-News reports, in collaboration with Reveal at the Center for Investigative Reporting. Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey talks about the case of serial killer Richard White, whose victims were identified via DNA and the NamUs.gov website, a missing persons' database, where family members can add data about a relative who's gone missing.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: John Allen Pt. 2
Air Date: Thursday, October 06, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Middle East Conflicts
Guest: John Allen, Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to Counter ISIL

John Allen discusses the need to stabilize Iraq and assist the PM and government, missed opportunities to assist citizens in Syria early in the revolt, Assad's alienation of his people, Syria and Iraq's refugee crisis, the worst since WWII, concerns over Iran, and what John has learned from his experiences in the Middle East, such as generational challenges, governments offering no hope for its people and instead creating insecurity leading to radicalization, violent extremism and conflicts between tribes, and religious groups.

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Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: S
Host: Dominic Dezzutti
Panel: Patricia Calhoun - Westword
David Kopel – DU Law School and Independence Institute
Eric Sondermann- Political Analyst
Ben Gelt – Political Consultant

Topic 1: Arapahoe County District Attorney George Brauchler announced this week that he does not plan to run for the U.S. Senate. The announcement puts an end to months of speculation and forces the Colorado GOP to keep looking for a high PROFILE candidate.

Topic 2: Calling Colorado "the nation's fun-house-mirror Mini-Me, a schizophrenic state of political contradictions," Newsweek magazine's next issue will analyze Colorado politics. The cover of the magazine will feature a headline of God, Guns and Ganja.

Topic 3: Governor John Hickenlooper became the second high ranking Colorado democrat to voice doubt over Hillary Clinton's success in the 2016 election. Joining former Governor Richard Lamm, Hickenlooper said that while she is still the most qualified, the email scandal may prove too big to overcome.

Topic 4: Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards answered questions this week at a congressional hearing centered on federal funding. Republicans on the House Oversight Committee used the hearing to aggressively question Richards as they hoped to cut all federal funding.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1338
Air Date: Tuesday, October 13, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Western Sage Grouse, Renewable Energy, Electric Cars
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Andy Walker, Principal engineer, Integrated Applications Center
NREL, Jordan Wirfs-Brock, Inside Energy Reporter

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Topic/Title: Alfonzo Plough
Air Date: Thursday, October 13, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
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Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Health/Healthcare
Guest: Alfonzo Plough, Chief Scientist, VP Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Alfonzo discusses the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's (RWJF) mission, improve health and health care for all Americans, how the foundation measures success and failures, developing partnerships (AARP) political challenges for improving health care such as mass incarceration of non-whites, mental health, and HIV infection. He describes the difference between health and health care, keeping citizens from becoming patients, status of American health compared to other countries, discrepancies between \$2.7 trillion costs for health care in this country vs. outcomes, the need for more preventive care to lower major costs such as ER and hospital stays, and clarifying the Affordable Care Act on the Federal and State levels.

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Topic/Title: Program #2344
Air Date: Thursday, October 15, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Nat'l Western Complex, Climate Change, Roberts' Trial
Host: Gabrielle Bryant
Panel: Natasha Gardner – Senior Editor, 5280 Magazine
David Kopel – DU Law School and Independence Institute
Penfield Tate – Attorney, Greenberg Traurig
Patricia Calhoun – Westword

Topic 1: Funding for the national western complex is at issue this week as Denver leaders met with the Colorado economic development commission on Monday. Denver is requesting close to \$130 million to complete the project through the regional tourism act. According to the Denver business journal, third party analysts suggest Denver overestimated the number of visitors the project would bring and only needs a max of \$81 million spread out over 36 years.

Topic 2: Governor John Hickenlooper released his plan to address climate change this week and was met with mixed reviews. According to the Denver post, environmentalists say the plan does a good job identifying the problems, but falls short on solutions. Meanwhile, Colorado's oil and gas industry reps argue that the plan diminishes its role in addressing climate change.

Topic 3: A Denver Jury reached a non-guilty verdict this morning in the case involving Terrance Roberts, who was charged with first degree attempted murder and first degree aggravated assault after shooting Hasan Jones in 2013. Roberts was a former gang member before turning his life around and devoting his career to anti-gang efforts in Denver and surrounding communities.

Topic 4: Jeffco School Board President Ken Witt held a press conference this week announcing that he is filing an ethics complaint against himself. Witt requested that the Independent Ethics Commission look into whether his board went against Sunshine Laws. During open meetings, opponents referred to the announcement as a political stunt.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1339
Air Date: Tuesday, October 20, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Marijuana and pesticides, the Growing Epidemic of Prescription Drug Abuse
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Dr. Rober Valuck, Dan Rowland

Like other farmers marijuana growers use pesticides, but there are no official worker protections to follow from the federal government--which does not regard marijuana as a legitimate crop. Dan Rowland, Citywide Communications Advisor, City of Denver discusses regulating marijuana, enforcement around it and the use of Eagle 20 pesticide used in marijuana growth facilities and its effects. The US has 6% of the world's population, but uses 85% of the world's opiates. Prescription drug abuse has become epidemic and Colorado ranks 2nd in the nation with the problem. Dr. Robert Valuck, coordinating director of the Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention, talks about the relative cost to an addict, of obtaining prescription drugs versus heroin. Also, "Indulgences of the West" preview.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: Statewide Ballot Issues
Air Date: Thursday, October 20, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Proposition BB
Guest: Matt Sundeen, Tim Cranston

Matt Sundeen, Colorado Providers Association, a non-profit association that represents providers working in substance abuse prevention and Tim Cranston, Executive Consultant, Roecker Consulting Group, LLC, which help non-profits grow and fund raise, discuss the pros and cons of Proposition BB, which allows the state to collect tax revenue from retail marijuana sales. The reason it's on the ballot? If you generate more tax than expected, you have to go back to the voters, request votes to retain revenues or compensate residents.

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Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Program #2345
Air Date: Thursday, October 22, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Government, DPS
Host: Gabrielle Bryant
Panel: Ben Gelt – Senior Editor, 5280 Magazine
David Kopel – DU Law School and Independence Institute
Patricia Calhoun – Westword
Eric Sondermann – Political Analyst

Topic 1: In an announcement on Thursday, Mayor Michael Hancock introduced Denver's new sheriff, Patrick Firman. Prior to taking the job, he was a longtime corrections official in suburban Chicago and most recently worked as a law enforcement consultant. According to the Denver Post, Mayor Hancock considers Firman to be an agent of change who can inspire employees

Topic 2: Days after Bernie Sanders visited Colorado, he along with four other democratic presidential candidates took to the debate stage Tuesday night. In the CNN-hosted event many saw Hilary Clinton as a contender with issues of income equality, climate change and gun control being discussed.

Topic 3: With Colorado School Board elections on the horizon, races in areas like Jeffco, Denver and Aurora are heating up. Finance reports are in and show large amounts of money being funneled into various campaigns. Historically, these type of elections seem to go unnoticed and are of low interest.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1340
Air Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Documentary Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: "Choice Cuts: Meat in America"
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: A production of Harvest Public Media in conjunction with public television stations NET Nebraska, KCPT in Kansas City and Rocky Mountain PBS I-News in Denver

From our fields, to our dinner plates, to our waist lines, the meat industry shapes our lives. This documentary explores how the meat industry has changed the U.S. food system and the American diet. With the world population on the rise, can the demand be met while staying within limitations of the environment? According to the UN, 14% of human greenhouse emissions come from the livestock industry. The obstacles ahead are climate change and consumers' attitudes. Consumers are pressing for changes in how animals are raised, such as the use of antibiotics and gestation crates. To feed the world, there will need to be reduction of waste in the meat industry, advances in efficient agricultural technology and alternatives to meat.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: Statewide Ballot Issues
Air Date: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Proposition BB, SCFD Pt. 2
Guest: Jay Seller, Christina Carlson

In the second episode of this two-part series of "Colorado Business News," Jay Seller, Executive Director of Think 360 Arts for Learning, and Secretary of Friends of Art & Cultural Equity ("FACE"), and Christina Carlson, Vice President of Development for the Colorado Symphony Orchestra, join Aaron to discuss the future distribution of Scientific and Cultural Facilities District ("SCFD:") tax revenues, the difference between tier 1, 2 & 3 organizations and the relationship between tax revenue and attendance. One penny on every \$10 of retail purchase has provided millions to arts and scientific organizations. If taxpayers reauthorize this funding, how should these funds be distributed? They talk about their hopes to bring more funding to smaller arts organizations which are growing exponentially.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: Statewide Ballot Issues
Air Date: Thursday, October 29, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Proposition BB, SCFD Pt. 2
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- See more at: <http://harbertv.com/SCFD#sthash.XRNuRRSV.dpuf>

Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Program #2346
Air Date: Thursday, October 29, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Health Coverage, Panhandling Laws, Federal/Local Gov't
Host: Gabrielle Bryant
Panel: Natasha Gardner – Senior Editor, 5280 Magazine
David Kopel – DU Law School and Independence Institute
Craig Silverman – Attorney, Radio Talk Show Hose
Patricia Calhoun – Westword

Topic 1: National political news had a number of headlines this week after Joe Biden announced that he will not run for president which boosted Hilary Clinton's campaign prospects amid testimony in front of congress for the Benghazi hearing. Meanwhile republican representative Paul Ryan agreed to run for house speaker with specific conditions.

Topic 2: A number of citizens could lose their health coverage after Colorado Heathop was shut down by the state due to financial issues. According to the Denver Post the decision could impact nearly 83 thousand members. The non-profit is now suing to regain the right to sell policies in 2016.

Topic 3: Grocery stores are attempting to have full strength beer and wine sold in their stores by bringing the issue directly to the voters. The ballot is being backed by "your choice Colorado" with supermarkets like King Soopers, Safeway and Walmart behind them. Local area liquor stores, like Argonaut Wine and Liquor oppose the initiative claiming it will hurt their bottom line.

Topic 4: Local governments across the state are reconsidering their panhandling laws. The change would allow panhandlers to repeatedly ask after being denied, and would permit asking in previously restricted areas like patios and near ATM machines and after dark. The change was brought about as a first amendment rights issue from the ACLU.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1341
Air Date: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Documentary Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: "Standing in the Gap: Race and Denver Schools"
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Mateo Alvarez, Julie Speer and Mary Seawell

RMPBS unveils a major reporting project: what happened in the 20 years since the end of federally-mandated busing for segregation in Denver? Our investigation shows a stubborn achievement gap persists, in test scores of white and non-white students. [Standing in the Gap](#) focuses on Denver and 19 other school districts in Colorado, to find those succeeding in the narrowing the gap. Standing in the Gap producers Mateos Alvarez and Julie Speer, and Mary Seawell of the Gates Family Foundation talk about how housing patterns affect today's racial segregation in Denver

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Topic/Title: Statewide Ballot Issues
Air Date: Tuesday, November 03, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Peace First
Guest: Eric Dawson

Eric Dawson, the President of Peace First, joins Aaron to talk about the importance of incentivizing kids to be advocates of peace in their communities. He talks about his work with Peace First and how they have created an environment that encourages kids to be leaders and what they are planning to do in the future to turn the tides of violence in our culture. - See more at: <http://harbertv.com/Dawson#sthash.DikC9GWz.dpuf>

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1341
Air Date: Thursday, November 05, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
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Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Program #2347
Air Date: Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Presidential Debate, DPS, Homeless, Clean Power Act
Host: Dominic Dezzutti - Host
Panel: Patricia Calhoun - Westword
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Ed Sealoover – Denver Business Journal
Susan Greene – ColoradoIndependent.com

Topic 1: CNBC's republican presidential debate held in Boulder this week gave Senators Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz a bump in the headlines and created some criticism over how the network handled questions. The National Republican Party announced on Friday that they will not partner with NBC news for a February debate, citing concerns over how the CNBC debate was handled.

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Topic 3: with the election just a week away, tensions continue to rise in the Jeffco school board race. This week's finance reports show close to a half a million dollars already spent throughout the campaigns associated with the recall.

Topic 4: a group of local activists interrupted a Denver city council meeting Monday night on behalf of the city's homeless. The demonstrators demanded the repeal of the urban camping ban. Meanwhile, "members of Denver homeless out loud", were arrested on Saturday for attempting to build "tiny houses" on a Denver housing authority property.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1342/Part two of Standing in the Gap
Air Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Documentary Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Re-segregation in southwest Denver schools
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Sue Sava, Christopher Delgado

How the change in demographics in SW Denver over the past 45 years, to a predominantly Latino community with high poverty, affected neighborhood schools in the area, after busing ended in 1995. The high school graduation rate of Latinos in Denver is just 50 percent. One strategy to improve the achievement of students of color is to get more well-trained teachers of color into the classroom. Sue Sava of Stanley Teacher Prep and Christopher Delgado of Boettcher Teacher Residency-- two masters programs for teachers-- discuss how the teaching profession faces stiff competition, to attract talented teachers of color.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: 2016 Session-Colorado Business
Air Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: 2016 Session, Education and Transportation
Guest: Su Ryden, Susan Lontine, Nancy Todd #1

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Topic/Title: 2016 Session-Colorado Business
Air Date: Thursday, November 12, 2015 5:00am
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Topic/Title: CU Presidential Post-Debate Pt. 1
Air Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: CU Presidential Post Debate Pt. 1
Guest: Tom Tancredo, Ryan Call, Jessica Keating

In Part 1 of this special 3 part series we are joined by Tom Tancredo, former Congressman and Presidential candidate, Ryan Call former two term Colorado GOP Party Chair and Jessica Keating, political psychologist. Our expert panel talks about what they think of the Republican Parties candidates for the 2016 Presidential race. Then they take questions from the students of the University of Colorado about the 2016 race as well as politics in general! - See more at: <http://harbertv.com/DebateGOP#sthash.Oc2uOE9b.dpuf>

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1340
Air Date: Thursday, November 19, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Documentary Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: "Choice Cuts: Meat in America"
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: A production of Harvest Public Media in conjunction with public television stations NET Nebraska, KCPT in Kansas City and Rocky Mountain PBS I-News in Denver

From our fields, to our dinner plates, to our waist lines, the meat industry shapes our lives. This documentary explores how the meat industry has changed the U.S. food system and the American diet. With the world population on the rise, can the demand be met while staying within limitations of the environment? According to the UN, 14% of human greenhouse emissions come from the livestock industry. The obstacles ahead are climate change and consumers' attitudes. Consumers are pressing for changes in how animals are raised, such as the use of antibiotics and gestation crates. To feed the world, there will need to be reduction of waste in the meat industry, advances in efficient agricultural technology and alternatives to meat.

Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Program #2349
Air Date: Thursday, Nov. 19, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Local Gov't, Law Enforcement, State Budget
Host: Dominic Dezzutti - Host
Panel: Patricia Calhoun - Westword
David Kopel – Independence Institute, DU Law School
Ed Sealover – Denver Business Journal
Ben Gelt – Public Policy Consultant

Topic 1: The recall effort that attracted national headlines in Jefferson County was successful this week as voters removed the three member conservative majority. Voters in Douglas County did not re-elect three conservative members, joining other counties in a major turning back on education reformers in Colorado.

Topic 2: Voters in Denver were in a generous mood on Election Day, approving most of the of the proposed tax increases, except for the proposal that would have created a college fund for low and middle income students.

Topic 3: Governor John Hickenlooper proposed the 2017 budget with \$373 million dollars in spending cuts that may affect hospitals and higher ed. the plan also leaves room for \$189 million dollars in taxpayer refunds and was criticized by both democrats and republicans.

Topic 4: The Denver police union filed a lawsuit this week against the department over the implementation of its new body camera program. The union claims the development of the program that will be implemented later this month is illegal, citing failure to acknowledge collective bargaining rules.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1342/Part Two of Standing in the Gap
Air Date: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Documentary Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Re-segregation in southwest Denver schools
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: A Sue Sava, Christopher Delgado

How the change in demographics in SW Denver over the past 45 years, to a predominantly Latino community with high poverty, affected neighborhood schools in the area, after busing ended in 1995. The high school graduation rate of Latinos in Denver is just 50 percent. One strategy to improve the achievement of students of color is to get more well-trained teachers of color into the classroom. Sue Sava of Stanley Teacher Prep and Christopher Delgado of Boettcher Teacher Residency-- two masters programs for teachers-- discuss how the teaching profession faces stiff competition, to attract talented teachers of color.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: CU Presidential Post-Debate
Air Date: Tuesday, November 24, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: GOP Debate Pt. 3
Guest: Tom Tancredo, Ryan Call and Brandi Meek.

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Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: CU Presidential Post-Debate
Air Date: Thursday, November 26, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: GOP Debate Pt. 3
Guest: Tom Tancredo, Ryan Call and Brandi Meek.

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Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Program #2350
Air Date: Thursday, Nov. 26, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Water Plan, Local/Federal Gov't
Host: Dominic Dezzutti - Host
Panel: Patricia Calhoun - Westword
Mike Krause – Independence Institute
Penfield Tate – Attorney, Kutak Rock
Ben Gelt – Public Policy Consultant

Topic 1: Governor Hickenlooper announced this week that he will not join the 24 states that are working to deny Syrian refugees in their states. He stated that Colorado will work with the Federal Government and Homeland Security to vet any individuals to maintain safety in the state.

Topic 2: In response to Governor Hickenlooper's stance on the Syrian refugees crisis, several Colorado republicans spoke in opposition. Representative Mike Coffman stated that we have no way of conducting thorough background checks, while Representative Scott Tipton called the plan "naïve and irresponsible."

Topic 3: A Quinnipiac Poll of Colorado Republican voters revealed that 25% currently support Dr. Ben Carson. The results released on Wednesday show Marco Rubio, Donald Trump and Ted Cruz all fighting for second place, while Carly Fiorina, Rand Paul and Jeb Bush came in a distant third.

Topic 4: Colorado officials released a first of its kind water plan this week that is aimed at conservation efforts for the state. The \$20 billion dollar plan addresses drought projections aligned with our growing population and plans to address dams and reservoirs.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1339
Air Date: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Marijuana and pesticides; and the Growing Epidemic of Prescription Drug Abuse
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Dr. Rober Valuck, Dan Rowland

Like other farmers marijuana growers use pesticides, but there are no official worker protections to follow from the federal government--which does not regard marijuana as a legitimate crop. Dan Rowland, Citywide Communications Advisor, City of Denver discusses regulating marijuana, enforcement around it and the use of Eagle 20 pesticide used in marijuana growth facilities and its effects. The US has 6% of the world's population, but uses 85% of the world's opiates. Prescription drug abuse has become epidemic and Colorado ranks 2nd in the nation with the problem. Dr. Robert Valuck, coordinating director of the Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention, talks about the relative cost to an addict, of obtaining prescription drugs versus heroin. Also, "Indulgences of the West" preview.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: 2016 Session
Air Date: Tuesday, December 01, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Mental Health, Education
Guest: Members of the Colorado General Assembly - Beth Martinez Humenik, Joann Windholz, Linda Newell Pt, 1

Beth Humenik, and Linda Newel - CO State Senate and JoAnn Windholz CO House of Representatives, discuss the impact of CO having the highest percentage of women in its legislature compared to the rest of the country and the need to encourage more women to participate. They raise the issues important to the 2016 Session, such as workforce development bills, transportation, chronic care health care, long-term effects of overmedicating children and seniors, mental health issues in the juvenile criminal justice system, early childhood educations, funding needs for mental health, training teachers and parents to watch for red flags.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1343
Air Date: Thursday, December 03, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Clean Power Plan in western energy states; peer mentoring
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Dr. Rober Valuck, Dan Rowland

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Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: Time Machine 1940
Air Date: Thursday, December 03, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Time Machine 1940
Host: Dominic Dezutti
Panel: Patricia Calhoun – Westword
David Kopel – DU Law School and Independence Institute
Dani Newsum – Chinook Fund
Kevin Flynn – Attorney

Good evening and welcome to the October 5th, 1940 edition of Colorado Inside Out. I'm your host, Gene O'Fallon. You may recognize me as the manager of KFEL am, that's 950 on your dial here in Denver. Before we begin the show, let's meet tonight's panel as we look at the issues impacting our city, our country and our world. (Each Guest offers their own introduction)

TOPIC 1: Let's take a look at a Twelvetone News Reel for a special report on some of the events happening around the world.

Video Package - This spring, as America stood idly by, the Nazi Blitzkrieg swept across Belgium and France. The British Expeditionary Force has lived to fight another day after the miraculous evacuation at Dunkirk but at this moment, Great Britain's Royal Air Force is in a life and death struggle with the German Luftwaffe to determine the fate of democracy in Europe.

Back to Studio - Opinion Polls show, the American people still oppose getting involved in another European war but here in Colorado, preparation for war is taking place. The new Munitions plant being built west of town is almost finished, as is the Lowry airfield. The Army is still looking for funds to complete the new Fitzsimmons Hospital east of town and a number of Colorado companies are also receiving contracts for military goods like packs and harnesses. This sounds like we are preparing for war. What do you think?

Topic 2: Despite the ongoing Depression, Mayor Ben Stapleton has been on a building binge in Denver. A new Police Station at 13th and Champa just opened up and a number of New Fire Stations have been coming on line over the past, several years. In June, the city staged its own Blitzkrieg on a neighborhood along West Colfax Avenue in order to make way for the new Lincoln Park housing project. These projects are underway while the city struggles to take care of a large population of homeless, poor folks and pensioners. This year, the City was forced to lay off 199 workers to meet the growing funding gap. Are Mayor Stapleton's fiscal priorities on straight?

Topic 3: During the spring municipal elections this year, citizens of Miliken, Fruita and Green Mountain Falls voted their towns dry, opting to continue Alcohol Prohibition. Meanwhile, here in Denver, officials are trying to decide what to do with the Tax Revenue being generated by the sale of Alcohol. The City has also imposed a new tax on cigarettes and wants to impose fees on vending machines and even, on penny weight machines. Will we soon be taxing every sin? What should we be doing with these new revenue streams?

Topic 4: We are exactly one month away from the 1940 presidential election. President Roosevelt is seeking an unprecedented third term. Roosevelt's plan includes a tax increase for defense readiness. His Republican opponent Wendell Willkie, a former Democrat, is critical of Roosevelt's work to end the Depression. Does Wilkie have a chance in Colorado?

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1343
Air Date: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Clean Power Plan, YESS - peer mentoring
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Dr. Rober Valuck, Dan Rowland

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Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: General Assembly
Air Date: Tuesday, December 08, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Role of Various Levels of government, 2nd Amendment
Guest: Members of the General Assembly, John Kefalas, Kit Roupe, Chris Holbert, Pt.1

Chris Holbert (R-CO State Senator), John Kefalas (D - CO State Senate) and Kit Roup (R-CO. House of Representatives, discuss what they'd like Coloradans to know about the various levels – municipal, county, state and federal – of government, how the budget works and is allocated, how the culture of government and people's expectations need to change. Some issues such as the need to rebuild trust in the gov't, improve accountability and get the job done, break down gridlock and red tape, the need to downplay politics and focus on policy. Also discussed, the 2nd Amendment – not necessarily the right to bear arms but the view that citizens need to bear arms in potential opposition to our own government, to defend ourselves against tyranny on an individual or government level, and the need to review and decriminalize laws that result in excessive punishment in relation to the offense.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: General Assembly
Air Date: Thursday, December 10, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Role of various levels of government, 2nd Amendment
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Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: CIO # 2351
Air Date: Thursday, December 10, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Time Machine 1940
Host: Dominic Dezzutti - Host
Panel: Patricia Calhoun - Westword
David Kopel – DU Law School/Independence Institute
Eric Sondermann – Political Analyst
Lisa Kennedy – Freelance Journalist

Topic 1: With three mass shootings happening across the United States in the last week, national leaders are addressing the many angles of the events. While President Obama spoke about ensuring these incidents do not become the norm, House Speaker Paul Ryan called for the need to address mental health issues..

Topic 2: Locally, the attack at the Colorado Springs Planned Parenthood facility has Colorado leaders pointing fingers. Republican State Representative Joann Windolz used social media to blame Planned Parenthood for instigating the violence. Meanwhile, Democratic Representative Diana DeGette cited the GOP'S continued anti-Planned Parenthood rhetoric as a cause for the incident.

Topic 3: The Colorado supreme court refused to hear Governor Hickenlooper's petition questioning Attorney General Cynthia Coffman's lawsuit against the clean power plan. The Court denied the request citing a 2003 case stating that courts are not to chime in on these issues when an "adequate alternative remedy exists."

TOPIC 4: In a contentious 8-4 vote, the Denver City Council rejected a preservation bid on a West Highland house on Monday, the second of its kind in two weeks. The decision upset some members of the local community due to the concerns of out of scale development and eliminating historical landmarks.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1346
Air Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Standing in the Gap: Education, Racism, School Achievement, GED, Freestanding ERs
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Sean Bradley, Jeni James Arndt

Our Rocky Mountain PBS News investigative reporting team reveals the startling data on how students are being served by the GED, and why so many are traveling to WY to take an alternative test. Also, comments from GED in Washington DC;and Colorado Rep Jeni James Arndt on changes she will propose. PLUS, institutional racism; freestanding ERs. GED exam failing thousands? Institutional racism in schools. Sean Bradley, president of the Urban League of Metro Denver, talks about his young sons and his concerns about institutional racism in Denver schools.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: General Assembly Discussion
Air Date: Tuesday, December 15, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Government, Social Issues
Guest: General Assembly- Rollie Heath, Polly Lawrence, Beth McCann

Aaron and his guests, Polly Lawrence and Beth McCann – members of the CO. House of Representatives, and Rollie Heath – Assistant Minority Leader, CO . State Senate, discuss the role of government, different value systems of big government and smaller government, its obligations to provide for those less fortunate, policies needed to empower people to meet goals, need for transparency on how gov't uses tax dollars, education, better pay for teachers, caseloads in social services and our overburdened judicial system, reducing punishment for low level crime, mental health and how to identify people who need help, how we're failing children who need protection, teen recidivism, and the role of parents and community organizations to help kids.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1346
Air Date: Thursday, December 17, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Standing in the Gap, Education, Racism, School achievement, GED, Freestanding ERs
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Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: CIO # 2352
Air Date: Thursday, December 17, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Presidential Race, Planned Parenthood Shooting, Environment
Host: Dominic Dezzutti - Host
Panel: Patricia Calhoun - Westword
David Kopel – DU Law School/Independence Institute
Eric Sondermann – Political Analyst
Penfield Tate – Attorney, Kutak Rock

Topic 1: GOP Presidential Candidate Donald Trump sparked new outrage this week when he proposed to ban Muslims from entering the U.S. Colorado lawmakers from both sides joined the chorus saying that Trump's statements were out of line, with Senator Cory Gardner going so far as to call him a "buffoon."

Topic 2: The accused shooter of the November attack at a Colorado Springs Planned Parenthood appeared in court on Wednesday. In a series of sporadic outbursts, the accused shooter admitted his own guilt declaring "I am guilty, there will be no trial, I am a warrior for the babies."

Topic 3: The Colorado supreme court heard arguments this week regarding the rights of cities to ban fracking in Colorado. the cases stem from bans passed in Longmont and in Fort Collins and will likely have a major effect on the 2016 statewide ballot.

Topic 4: The U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources called for a new, more in-depth investigation into the Gold King Mine spill this week. Republican lawmakers are calling into question the results of the initial investigation citing that it was too limited and failed to acknowledge whether criminal conduct is an issue.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1348
Air Date: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Climate talks, Gun Violence
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Dr. Erik Wallace, Davel Kopel

Dr. Erik Wallace, associate dean of CU School of Medicine Colorado Springs, and Dave Kopel, research director of the Independence Institute, discuss gun violence as public health issue; a majority of Colorado gun deaths are suicides. ALSO, a discussion of why gun violence has not been researched as a cause of death in the same way other public health threats are studied. As COP21 negotiators near what may be historic agreement, our Inside Energy team looks at what's at stake for Colorado's energy industry and consumers. AND, holiday eating and the energy is takes to produce our food.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: General Assembly Discussion
Air Date: Tuesday, December 22, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Government, Social Issues
Guest: General Assembly- Joe Salazar, Justin Everett, Angela Williams

Aaron and his guests, Joe Salazar, Justin Everett and Angela Williams, all members of the Colorado State House of Representatives, discuss the important issues of the 2016 session such as the need for affordable housing, construction defects, the \$27 billion 2016 state budget and how to balance challenges of the budget, concerns over reducing spending for K-12 education, civil liberties, red light cameras and photo radar, police and community trust issues, and how the public confuses State House Representatives for members of congress.

Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: General Assembly Discussion
Air Date: Thursday, December 24, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Government, Social Issues
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Air Date: Thursday, December 24, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
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Issues Addressed: Climate Talks, Gun Violence
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Topic/Title: Program #1348
Air Date: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 5:00am
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Issues Addressed: Climate Talks, Gun Violence
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Program: The Aaron Harber Show
Topic/Title: Colorado General Assembly
Air Date: Tuesday, December 29, 2015 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: 2016 Session
Guests: Kevin Lundberg, Jonathan singer, Dan Thurlow, Dan Pabon

Kevin Lundberg, CO State Senate Assistant Majority Leader, Dan Thurlow, Dan Pabon, and Jonathan Singer, Members of the Colorado House of Representatives, discuss issues that they are looking forward to in the 2016 Session. Topics include improving the infrastructure, the K-12 system, balancing the budget with priorities that benefit all, creating tax incentives for working families to be able to access affordable daycare, growing the marijuana process responsibly, affordable health care and the need for improving and providing more health care options.

Program: Colorado State of Mind
Topic/Title: Program #1339
Air Date: Thursday, December 31, 2015 5:00am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Interview Format
Source: KRMA-6, Rocky Mountain Public Broadcasting Station
Issues Addressed: Marijuana and Pesticides; the Growing Epidemic of Prescription Drug Abuse
Host: Cynthia Hessin
Guests: Dr. Rober Valuck, Dan Rowland

Like other farmers marijuana growers use pesticides, but there are no official worker protections to follow from the federal government--which does not regard marijuana as a legitimate crop. Dan Rowland, Citywide Communications Advisor, City of Denver discusses regulating marijuana, enforcement around it and the use of Eagle 20 pesticide used in marijuana growth facilities and its effects. The US has 6% of the world's population, but uses 85% of the world's opiates. Prescription drug abuse has become epidemic and Colorado ranks 2nd in the nation with the problem. Dr. Robert Valuck, coordinating director of the Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention, talks about the relative cost to an addict, of obtaining prescription drugs versus heroin. Also, "Indulgences of the West" preview.

Program: Colorado Inside Out
Topic/Title: CIO # 2402
Air Date: Thursday, December 31, 2015, 5:30am
Duration: 30 minutes
Style/Type: Roundtable Format
Source: Colorado Public Television 12
Issues Addressed: Time Machine 1940
Host: Gabrielle Bryant
Panel: Natasha Gardner – Senior Editor, 5280 Magazine
David Kopel – DU Law School and Independence Institute
Penfield Tate – Attorney, Greenberg Traurig
Cara DeGette – Editor, Greater Park Hill News

Topic 1: The Aurora Theater trial dominated the summer of 2015 and re-hashed both the local and national discussion of the death penalty and mental health issues. Both the perpetrator in this case and the defendant in the Fero's bar trial were found guilty of several counts of first degree murder and both were sentenced to life in prison after being eligible for the death penalty.

Topic 2: Debates over education reform dominated local and national headlines as citizens in Jefferson County initiated a contentious school board recall election. Conservative school board members Ken Witt, Julie Williams and John Newkirk were ousted in a November recall and conservative incumbents on the Douglas County school also lost re-election bids.

Topic 3: 2015 was a big year for the city of Denver as Mayor Michael Hancock was re-elected with little to no viable competition and seven new faces were elected to the city council. In November, Denver voters approved new projects at the national western complex and at DIA. Additionally, record breaking settlements of excessive force cases from the Denver police and the sheriff's department cost Denver taxpayers millions.

Topic 4: In this last topic, we'll look at some of the other headlines of 2015. The continuing debacle at the VA hospital in Aurora, the Gold King Mine environmental disaster and continued racial tension in various American cities involving excessive force from police.
