

# **QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT**



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Attached hereto are descriptions of issue-responsive programming broadcast by this station during the reporting period.

The listed programs aired on the station during the reporting period on the days and times indicated. Each program regularly provides information or addresses current local issues of concern to viewers in the area where the station is located.

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## **PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS LOCAL ISSUES**

The following programs that aired during the relevant reporting period regularly address local issues and concerns in the station's city of license and within its service area. Specific episodes and segments of these programs and the issues they addressed are listed on the following pages.

Program Name	Schedule (Day/Time)	Brief Generic Description (Note whether local, syndicated or network)
NEWS CENTER Early Morning Report	Monday-Friday 4:30 am	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER Morning Report	Monday-Friday 5 am-7 am	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER at Noon	Monday-Friday 12 pm-12:30 pm	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER at 5	Monday-Friday 5 pm-5:30 pm	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER at 5:30	Monday-Friday 5:30 pm-6 pm	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER at 6	Monday-Sunday 6 pm-6:30 pm	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER at 11	Monday-Sunday 11 pm-11:35 pm	Locally-produced news/public affairs program
NEWS CENTER Weekend Morning Report	Saturday 6 am-7 am; Sunday 6 am-8 am	Locally-produced news/public affairs program

### **LOCAL ISSUES ADDRESSED DURING THE QUARTER**

The following are local issues of concern to the community. Programs that addressed these issues during this reporting period are listed on the following pages.

Local Issue/Concern	Brief description of local issue or concern
Economy & Job Creation	Development, layoffs, employment, taxes, business, energy, shut down, job retraining, mills, transportation, industry, trade, outsourcing, housing
Health & Mental Health	Medical, fitness, insurance, nutrition, diet, exercise, disease, DHHS, depression, addiction, drugs, tobacco, alcohol, hospitals, medical breakthrough, science
Abuse & Domestic Violence	Battered, assault, murder, shooting, divorce, custody, estranged, stalk, restraining order, shelter, rape
Education	College, parenting, bullying, teens, sex, underage drinking, binge drinking, driving, autism
Environment	Hybrid cars, greenhouse gas, LNG terminal, global warming, oil, salt, conservation, wet lands, rivers, air quality, ozone, trees, forestry, preservation
Political Efforts	Local, County, State and Federal primary and general campaigns and elections, legislative issues, polling,

## ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING

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### Local Issue: ECONOMY & JOB CREATION

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/1	6:11	2:22	Today is a pretty significant date for our country, it's census day. It means that when completing the US census, you're asked to include everyone living in your home on April 1, 2020.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/2	6:07 pm	1:05	Gov. Janet Mills says the state has enough working capital to pay its bills, despite the shock to the economy and reduced tax revenues. She also says the state is anticipating money from the federal government in the two-trillion-dollar bailout enacted last week. But Mills told me this afternoon she's not sure how many strings will be attached to that money.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/3	6:17 pm	2:02	With the pandemic putting tens of thousands of Mainers out of work, it's not surprising that food pantries are seeing a dramatic rise in the number of individuals and families needing help. In fact, the Good Shepherd Food Bank says nearly three quarters of the pantries it supplies are seeing more people come through their doors.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/6	6:04 pm	3:01	We're still getting a lot of calls and emails from people frustrated with the process of filing for unemployment, due to the shut-down of thousands of businesses across the state. Maine Department of Labor is well aware of the issues and hopes to have about 100 more people manning the phones by the end of the week. The best way to file is still online... You can do that 24-7.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/7	6:05 pm	1:43	A former SBA administrator says the treasury department has been giving contradictory guidance to Maine banks trying to process loans under a newly created program. The payroll protection program will provide loans to small businesses to continue paying employees who aren't working because of the pandemic.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/9	6:07 am	1:12	Right now, we are answering your calls for our Maine United virtual telethon to help raise money for people who have been hit hard by covid-19. This effort involves all nine United Ways of Maine and your donations will really help fellow Mainers in need.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/11	6:33 am	4:01	More than 5-thousand Maine small businesses have been approved for "paycheck protection program" forgivable loans. The money can be used to pay employees for up to 8-weeks, even if they have been laid off. A certain percentage of it can also be applied to cover rent and utilities.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/14	6:04 pm	1:30	There's good news for some of you waiting for covid-19 related unemployment checks, Maine's labor

				department says the money should start popping into people's accounts by early next week.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/16	6:00 pm	1:58	Millions of Americans have already received their stimulus checks from the federal government. And if they haven't, they likely will soon.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/20	6:05 pm	3:36	Last week Governor Mills signed an executive order that would prevent landlords in Maine from evicting their tenants during the state of emergency. While landlords understand the reasoning behind this, many are concerned about the extra financial hardship this puts on them.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/22	6:06 pm	1:24	It's been almost a week since the Androscoggin Mill explosion in Jay, and officials are still investigating the cause. As they continue that work, many of the people who bring logs and pulp to the mill are waiting to find out what comes next.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/23	5:59 pm	2:14	Governor Janet Mills joined Dr. Nirav Shah, the head of the state Center for Disease Control, at today's daily briefing on the state of Maine's response to the coronavirus pandemic. She outlined a framework for what re-opening the state might look like.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/24	6:06 pm	1:08	Maine's hospitals say they're losing an estimated 250-million dollars or more every month while many of their services are on hold because of coronavirus.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/27	6:16 pm	2:36	Since 2014, Maine's Somali-Bantu community has been raising livestock and growing fresh produce to serve our local schools, farmers markets, and more. Recently they've received a financial boost thanks to a grant program from the Good Shepherd Food Bank.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/2	6:08 am	3:41	After being closed since mid-March, certain businesses in Maine are back open. Golf courses, hair salons, barber shops, auto showrooms and pet groomers can unlock their doors. Going to many of those places is going to look a bit different now.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/4	5:59 pm	2:46	Every year couples flock to Maine to have their weddings at one of our beautiful venues. As the state slowly reopens, those "big days" are being postponed or cancelled.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/5	6:11 pm	3:44	Maine's unemployment system is overwhelmed, as a record number of Mainers claim benefits as a result of COVID-19. As of last week, an estimated 70 percent of the more than 100 thousand people who filed initial claims since mid-March were receiving benefits.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/6	6:05 pm	1:35	The problems with Maine's Unemployment system have become one of the prime targets for criticism of Maine's whole pandemic response. Labor Commissioner Laura Fortman defended the work of her department, saying it has been understaffed and struggled to handle the huge load of people seeking benefits. They announced some outside help in getting more people. we created 138 new positions by financial order and have been working with LL Bean to help us hire and train that staff. Hire in phases next few weeks.

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NEWS CENTER Maine	5/8	6:01 pm	3:55	Probably no one happier about the Governor's order than restaurant owners in those 12 counties. It will clearly not be business as usual but will at least be business. Which they haven't had for a while.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/11	6:03 pm	3:39	Under Governor Mills' new rural re-opening plan, retail stores in 12 of the 16 counties can now open their doors to walk-in customers. While stores may look and feel a bit different right now, as they take health precautions, store owners i spoke with say they're excited to let customers in.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/14	6:04 pm	2:24	From the beaches of York, to the shops of bar harbor, Maine's nine-billion-dollar tourism industry is facing its most uncertain season yet. That's why this letter from business leaders who rely so heavily on it is calling on Governor Mills to do something drastic and end the 14-day quarantine rule and safely welcome out of state people back.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/18	6:05 am	1:15	Tonight, the Portland city council will vote on a plan to create an "open-air market". It would close five streets downtown to give businesses space to operate outdoor, increasing the number of customers they're able to serve while also practicing social distancing.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/20	6:03 pm	3:52	Moderna Therapeutics in Boston is teaming up with Drug Maker, Lonza to mass produce the vaccine at its U.S. facility at the Pease International Trade Port in Portsmouth. A vaccine timeline that has gone from years to just months in the rush to end the worst pandemic in a century.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/28	6:21 am	1:54	Among the industries taking a huge hit during the covid-19 pandemic, the airline industry. And we're starting to feel the effects of that here in Maine.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/1	6:05 pm	1:5	Restaurants in Maine's 12 other counties were able to re-open for indoor and outdoor dining back on May 18th as part of a rural re-opening plan, they have fewer cases of the virus. Again, you can find much more information about the phase 2 reopening plan on our website or mobile app.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/2	6:10 pm	1:24	For the tourist industry, which employs around ten percent of all Mainers, the 14-day quarantine issue is make or break. So big that it's at the heart of a lawsuit against the Governor by some campground owners, and that suit is being supported by President Trump's Justice Department.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/3	6:10 am	2:42	On Monday, retail stores in Maine were able to re-open as part of phase two of the state's reopening plan. Many stores have spent a lot of time putting up social distancing signage but is that enough to make Mainer's feel comfortable enough to come out and shop?
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/3	6:25 pm	3:05	What if you could go out on the ocean, catch some fish and support a local business all at the same time? Well it turns out, you can. Zach Blanchard takes us out to sea for tonight's "Keep ME Open" report.

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NEWS CENTER Maine	6/5	6:02 pm	1:57	There are two hundred and fifty jobs coming to Pittsfield when Puritan Medical Supplies opens its doors. Puritan makes medical swabs, including COVID-19 testing swabs.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/8	6:04 pm	3:30	Since early May, IDEXX has been providing 5,000 tests to the Maine CDC every week and now that's going to expand quickly. As News Center Maine's Vivien Leigh tells us, the Westbrook based company is leveraging its extensive innovation to meet a critical need.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/10	6:00 pm	2:02	The clock is ticking on the contract for union members at Bath Iron Works, one of the biggest private employers in the state. That contract runs out later this month and the yard's largest union is saying it's willing to strike to get what it wants.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/11	6:14 pm	1:57	It's no secret the demand for day care facilities in the state is high and the pandemic has only made matters worse. Tonight's Keep ME Open report takes us to one facility in Bath where they're working to get back up and running.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/12	6:03 pm	4:11	The numbers put forth by Maine's tourism and retail industries are staggering. Out of the nearly 150,000 people employed in those sectors more than 54,000 have lost their jobs as a result of the pandemic. Now, the businesses that make up Maine's hospitality industry hotels, restaurants, campgrounds, along with the state's retail association.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/13	6:04 am	4:02	Even with those looser restrictions and earlier starting date, leaders of Maine's hospitality industry say they desperately need help. They're asking the state to use federal money it has received to fight the pandemic to help keep them in business.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/15	6:14 pm	1:12	In 20-18 Maine's wedding industry brought in close to one BILLION dollars. But because of COVID-19 that won't be the case this year.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/16	6:03 pm	2:10	As we've been saying for weeks, this is a big issue for tourism, Maine's biggest industry. Hotels and inns say that while they're open, the state's continuing requirement for out of state travelers to quarantine or test is threatening their summer business. The owners of one chain of hotels say they tried to convince the state to do it a different way, but so far, it hasn't happened.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/17	6:03 am	1:13	Restaurants in three remaining counties are permitted to resume dine-in service starting today. But some of the first places able to, aren't ready yet. I'm live outside of Becky's Diner in Portland which won't be opening today. And as I learned, many other businesses will be keeping their doors closed for the time being.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/19	6:01 pm	2:09	The corona virus pandemic has hurt hundreds of businesses and the thousands of people they employed. It's also taking a toll on the tax revenues that pay for government. In Augusta, lawmakers got the latest on how much less money they must work with and where some of the federal dollars will be

				spent.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/22	6:20 am	3:00	This summer is anything but normal. Campgrounds and parks are making do, as people start to take trips to get away from home.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/22	6:05 pm	1:45	Bar Harbor businesses are down anywhere from 70 to 95%. Staggering numbers and the staggering truth from one of Maine's most iconic vacation spots.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/29	6:14 pm	2:04	Today wasn't the best day for a boat ride, but it may be a great time to buy one. Luxury boat companies are seeing an increase in sales during the coronavirus pandemic

#### Local Issue: HEALTH & MENTAL HEALTH

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/1	6:01 pm	4:00	These days are hard for many in Maine as we worry what's happening to our communities as well as families. And while there are some things that show hope for testing and compliance with the social distancing orders, there is still sad news as the numbers of cases, and deaths, continue to climb.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/2	6:01 pm	4:03	The numbers did not take quite as big jump as they did yesterday, but there is yet another fatality from COVID 19. Now a total of eight. The cases keep increasing, and that means growing worry there could be a surge of seriously ill people that strain Maine's medical system, as we see in some other states.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/3	6:25 am	1:52	We've been talking a lot about social distancing the past few weeks, and a lot of you are probably wondering if it's working. Right now, it's hard to tell since we haven't yet hit a peak in coronavirus cases.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/7	6:20 am	1:09	The covid-19 crisis is making a lot of people feel anxious. For those already dealing with a stressful life situation. It's a double whammy. This month, in our buddy to buddy report, a look at how some breast cancer patients and survivors are helping each other through this trying time.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/8	6:25 am	1:03	In the race to stop this coronavirus outbreak the search is on for cures. But while the president endorses a common malaria drug, not everyone is so sure. So why the confusion? Let's connect the dots. The president has urged people to take hydroxychloroquine, a drug primarily used to fight malaria, lupus and rheumatoid arthritis. In the lab it appears it may block covid-19 from invading cells and researchers think it might also help dampen an overactive immune system. And while there have been anecdotal reports that it has helped some patients, there is no definitive scientific proof. Early studies in China and France that found the drug could help ended up being flawed. A more recent study in China, that wasn't flawed, showed promise but it was small,

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				and the authors said more research needed to be done.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/9	6:01 pm	1:58	One of the big concerns since this whole epidemic began is the risk to elderly people especially in nursing homes and assisted living centers. There were six cases at an elderly complex in Falmouth. And today Dr. Shah said the newest spike in cases is at a facility in Belfast.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/10	6:04 pm	1:24	Those numbers show an interesting aspect that may be just for today, but there were more newly recovered Covid 19 patients today than newly diagnosed patients though Dr. Shah said no one knows if that really means anything beyond today. Dr. Shah was joined by Governor Mills for this briefing with the Governor telling people to keep practicing social distance and keep positive that things will get better.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/11	6:06 am	3:49	After 7 long and grueling months in the hospital, a hero is finally home. Larry Lord was released from the Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital in Boston. He was a maintenance worker at the LEAP Incorporated building that BLEW-UP back in September, killing fire Captain Michael Bell. FIVE other firefighters were injured. Lord was severely burned over half of his body. Yesterday his community gave Lord a hero's welcome home, saluting him as the man who saved dozens of lives that day.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/13	6:13 pm	3:02	A non-profit organization in the Mid Coast, is hoping to produce medical supplies on a large scale to help meet the need for PPE both in Maine and out of state.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/15	6:20 am	1:57	While many of us are staying home and likely spending a lot more time indoors, going to that hike you've been wanting to go on may seem even more enticing. And as I found out the stay-at-order is bringing more folks out on the trails but covid-19 means changing plans for some of Maine's most avid hikers. "Fishing, hunting, trapping, boating, canoeing, kayaking but I think one that has really peaked a lot of people's interest is hiking because everyone can do it.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/15	5:59 pm	4:07	Doctor Anthony Fauci is a key member of the White House Coronavirus Task Force. And these past few weeks he has become a household name and the internet's new crush! He is known for his ability to break down the science behind the disease for a wide audience. And he is also viewed as the most trusted voice by both democrats and republicans.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/20	6:25 am	1:10	A lot of scientists are also looking ahead to what will happen after the pandemic is over. As we are focused on the effects of the coronavirus pandemic right now there are still a lot of questions about whether there will be a second wave of covid-19. So, what would that look like?
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/24	5:59 pm	3:51	As Mainers struggle to deal with the daily demands of the health crisis, one of the worries for some is going to the grocery store. Not just shortages of some items but also the possible crowds and risk of being exposed

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				to the virus. But in many places, local stores are stepping up to help make it easier. And in Damariscotta, one store is getting help from a lot of volunteers.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/27	6:06 am	1:02	Cases continue to climb in Maine, it's an increase of 25 since yesterday. That moves Maine's current total of confirmed cases of covid-19 to 1,015. Of those positive tests, there are 433 active cases across Maine, 50 people have died, and there have been 159 hospitalizations. And that good news you mentioned, so far 532 Mainers have recovered from covid-19.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/28	6:25 am	1:06	A lot of you have been asking if you get the coronavirus once whether you are safe from getting it again. The world health organization is warning that even if you recover from this coronavirus you may not be immune.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/2	6:11 pm	1:08	Some promising news from Dr. Anthony Fauci on treating this coronavirus. He says an experimental drug is showing signs that it could help fight COVID-19, it's called Remdesivir (REM-DES-I-VIR a big word, I know. So, what do you need to know about this drug?
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/5	6:00 pm	4:07	Stephanie Orr and her family are grieving their mother Pat Tetrault in ways that would have seemed unthinkable just weeks ago. The 88-year Westbrook woman was one of the first Mainers to die from the virus, but they say she was so much more than just a 'number'.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/7	6:00 pm	4:07	The words being used today by the Governor and Dr. Shah were things like "breakthrough" and "game changer". The state has been able to make a partnership with one of Maine's bigger bio-medical businesses to secure many more COVID 19 tests, and even the Governor says that could change how the state deals with the virus going forward.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/8	6:20 am	2:13	Happy Nurses Week: more than 3.8 million people in the US are registered nurses, according to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing. It's the largest healthcare profession in the country with thousands of people entering it every year. This is how some of the new nurses in Maine are handling covid-19.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/11	6:24 am	1:17	Covid-19 is such a new virus and scientists are learning more every day. One of the areas they are looking into is how it affects women and men differently. Fewer women are dying from coronavirus and scientists think the reason why may be in our chromosomes. Let's connect the dots. As researchers examine the numbers coming out of this coronavirus pandemic, they are noticing a trend, men are getting more severe cases than women.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/12	6:04 pm	1:27	Dentists say they are seeing some patients who are suffering from infections and other things that just wouldn't come up if they'd been able to get an appointment when it was less serious. Maine is one of 11 states that has not already allowed dental practices

				to reopen and it's the only state without a reopening plan. And dentists say that's a problem.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/19	6:19 am	5:56	Here's the scenario: you've been diagnosed with cancer and you know you're going to have to fight for your life. You are also, quite likely, facing a major financial struggle. In our buddy to buddy report this month, the cost of cancer.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/22	6:25 am	1:32	Many summer camp directors around the state having to make the painful decision about whether to open this season. Governor Mills released guidelines for summer camps this week. They include quarantining staff for 14 days before campers arrive and keeping kids grouped with the same people while at camp, limiting mixing between groups.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/26	6:09 pm	4:14	The COVID-19 pandemic has forced many of us to change the way we do things. But for one group of Mainers, spread across six communities, change is coming up against tradition that dates back centuries. NEWS CENTER Maine's Hannah Yechivi reports from Unity on how the Amish there are making their way in the age of the coronavirus.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/1	6:04 pm	1:18	One of the biggest single sources of new cases of corona virus continues to be nursing homes and other kinds of congregate care facilities. And today Dr. Nirav Shah of the CDC revealed they may be taking an ambitious new step to fight that trend.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/9	6:01 pm	1:20	The state says people coming from other states can avoid the 14-day quarantine requirement if they get a negative test in their home state less than 72 hours of coming here. Steve Hewins of Hospitality Maine says tourist businesses think the idea won't work.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/13	6:02 pm	1:57	The Coronavirus hit some long-term care facilities hard. One in particular - the Augusta Center for Health and Rehabilitation - had 68 people test positive. Eight of those people died. Now the staff says after separating people, promoting good hand hygiene, and wearing protective gear, they've stopped the spread.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/16	6:14 pm	2:37	We've all heard a lot about concerns over shortages of ppe's, or personal protective equipment, for health care workers, especially those N95 masks. Which is the gold standard. What you may not know is that there's a shortage of a special "chemical solution" used to make sure those n-95 masks are protecting folks properly.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/17	6:02 pm	3:37	Working on the front lines in the fight against the COVID-19 has meant long hours and few breaks for nurses, doctors, EMT's and other health care workers. Not to mention the work being done at Maine CDC and other labs. But have you ever wondered who makes all the new equipment used in that fight? Two precision metal manufacturing companies in Augusta that are working together to help expand COVID testing.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/17	6:15 pm	3:12	We're at Maniac Community Fitness in South Portland where you can see behind me a class is going on right

				now. You can also see people are properly spaced out for social distancing. Many people here say they are super excited to be back in the gym even if it means things look a little different.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/23	6:25 am	1:20	As places across the state start to reopen, you're probably more likely to come in contact with more people than in recent months. At the same time, we're starting to learn more about how this coronavirus is spread. And researchers now say it's so called super-spreaders who are fueling this pandemic.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/25	5:59 am	1:02	Covid-19 is hitting the black community in Maine at a disproportionate rate. While we've seen this trend across the US. The numbers here are especially dramatic. The CDC says while black people make up only 1-point-6 percent of our population, they represent 24-percent of covid-19 cases. The largest disparity in the country. And some black leaders want the governor to do more to protect them.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/29	6:00 pm	1:28	It's week 2 of the strike at Bath Iron Works and today the Maine CDC announced an outbreak investigation at BIW. Dr Nirav Shah says they are aware of 3 cases at BIW. Two of the people work in the same department and all 3 carpool together and attended outdoor union picket lines. BIW has more than 6 thousand employees and all 3 of the individuals spent time inside the facility until June 18th or 19 <sup>th</sup> . Dr Shah says the CDC is working closely on the situation with BIW.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/30	6:20 pm	3:03	When only 3 out of 100 people donate blood, it's clear the need for it will always be great, but right now that need is urgent. Thanks to loyal donors the American Red Cross has been able to meet hospital demands so far during the pandemic but that could change.

#### Local Issue: ABUSE, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & CRIME

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/2	6:12 pm	1:42	The President of the Bayside Neighborhood Association sent an email to Portland's mayor describing just a few of the things that she and other neighbors have witnessed, she wrote " I've seen two men injecting one another next to my home" "a drug deals, someone literally waving around baggies of white powder, one of them threatening me." "A man wandering down the street with a crack pipe"
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/7	6:04 am	1:03	Scammers are using this time of a lot of unknowns to take advantage of people. Scams look a little bit different these days though which can make them easier to fall victim to.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/21	6:05 pm	4:11	The COVID-19 pandemic is presenting unique challenges for people struggling with drug and alcohol addiction. Social distancing and Governor

				Mills' 'stay at home order' forced many recovery meetings to be canceled or moved online. That's not sitting well with everyone. A petition has been started with the goal to have the State deem these meetings 'essential' so people can go back to meeting in person.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/4	6:15 pm	4:31	Prescription drugs that are expired or have been forgotten about in medicine cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse and abuse. So, law enforcement, substance abuse specialists and public health advocates are asking people to take those drugs out of the cabinet and do one of three things.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/7	6:14 pm	4:08	It's a claim we're seeing online a lot right now: hospitals get paid more by the federal government if patients list as having covid-19, we set out to verify.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/28	6:13 am	1:11	It's not clear just how much money has been paid in potentially fraudulent claims that are now under investigation. The Department of Labor says it's already identified and cancelled roughly 2,200 unemployment claims determined to be fraud.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/29	6:03 am	1:10	A makeshift memorial after George Floyd died in police custody. Some of this video is difficult to watch. One officer used his knee to press down on Floyd's neck, although he repeatedly told them he couldn't breathe. Some of those peaceful protests and memorials have now turned violent. Stores have been looted businesses damaged and cars destroyed.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/1	6:05 am	1:16	The protest started with about 300 people gathering on the steps of city hall calling for justice and a change following the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They had Congress Street shut down with many people laying down on the crosswalk. Then they locked arms in a long human chain stretching down Exchange Street before marching down Congress Street and other areas. Portland police were on hand closing roads to let protestors express themselves peacefully.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/2	6:06 am	1:21	Portland protest: the glass at the storefront of Urban Outfitters on Middle Street was broken and other buildings around the city were spray painted as well. A group of protesters then carried on to the intersection of Franklin and Middle Street where it would stay for multiple hours.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/3	6:06 am	1:40	Things have been quiet in Portland for the last few hours. Some officers clearing trash left in front of police headquarters here on middle street, but signs left by protesters are still here. Close to one-thousand people gathered in front of Portland police headquarters early yesterday evening for a peaceful protest. Demonstrators shared their messages of equality and fair treatment in front of Portland police officers, and their chief. They also marched to the eastern prom, where in a powerful moment,

				hundreds laid on their stomachs chanting "I can't breathe". These moments are what protesters want the public to know about and not what happens as the night carries on.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/5	6:07 am	1:19	Various problems with the state's unemployment system were front and center in Augusta, and there was frustration from both parties. The labor committee was expecting to hear from labor commissioner Laura Fortman yesterday to answer questions about the difficulties with fraud, and with the computer system that lawmakers say is causing thousands to go without or even lose benefits. But the commissioner didn't show up. And committee members were angry.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/8	6:05 am	1:22	As protests against racism continue there is a growing call to defund the police. But how would that work and what are activists really asking for? Let's connect the dots. The idea of defunding police is actually not new. Murmurs calling for funds to be pulled from police departments started to grow after protests against police brutality in Ferguson Missouri in 2014. But it was treated as a radical idea and didn't gain much traction. Now as a spotlight once again shines on racial inequality calls to defund law enforcement are growing louder.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/9	6:05 pm	1:03	Four months after a deadly crash, a 17-year-old appeared in court today to face charges in the deaths of three of his friends.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/17	5:59 pm	2:08	Maine is one of the least diverse states in the country, when it comes to race. So, during this period of protests and a fight for racial equality, what is our state's role in the movement?
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/18	6:01 pm	1:21	Despite far fewer new claims being filed., there are still people who've been waiting weeks to get their benefits. Today, the head of Maine's labor department, commissioner Laura Fortman, told the legislators there's one big reason for those delays... Fraud.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/23	6:03 pm	3:36	Today the Saco Police Department announced a new partnership with the Maine Department of Public Safety to help police agencies statewide improve implicit bias training. But some say it does not go far enough to fight racial injustice.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/24	6:00 pm	3:24	A new state report reveals a technician failed to perform a crucial leak check just days ahead of the deadly Farmington explosion.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/25	6:25 pm	2:04	Retailers in Maine are urging people to wear masks, use hand sanitizer and Be Kind. It's all part of a campaign launched today in response to incidents where customers have been hostile to workers trying to enforce the state's guidelines created to prevent the spread of Covid-19.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/26	6:03 am	4:10	Here in Maine, people are asking questions about a state police unit that gathers information about Mainers even those who have not committed any

				crimes. Maine's public safety commissioner testified yesterday about the Maine information analysis center and its role of monitoring the public. The unit is also the subject of a lawsuit alleging the center spies on innocent people.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/29	6:03 pm	2:06	Police and city health officials in Portland are ramping up oversight of bars and restaurants in the Old Port after viral photos show crowds of young people in close quarters WITHOUT WEARING MASKS.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/30	6:09 pm	3:52	An uber driver says was wrongfully terminated by the ride-share company. The driver says it all stems from riders refusing to wear masks.

### **Local Issue: EDUCATION**

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/2	6:00 pm	1:05	The future of college and high school graduations is unclear for most schools in Maine. But Beal College nursing students already know their celebrations are canceled.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/3	6:06 am	1:31	Most Maine schools are doing remote learning until at least next month. But one major problem that some students are experiencing is a lack of access to consistent internet. To troubleshoot, some companies are taking steps to try to alleviate this stress.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/6	6:06 pm	3:03	Before Covid-19, students enrolled in STRIVE's TOPS program spent a lot of time in the community. One of STRIVE's programs, called TOPS, is designed for students who are transitioning out of high school into the adult world. The program, in collaboration with area school districts, is usually held at STRIVE's South Portland location. But when schools were forced to turn to remote learning, so did STRIVE, and they invited other students with special needs to participate as well.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/7	6:25 am	1:51	Two mechanical engineering students at USM are tackling a big project right now. One they're not getting graded on but can provide relief to those essential workers in communities hit hardest by covid-19.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/8	6:03 pm	1:08	A lot of parents, students and probably teachers too, are disappointed by the recommendation that Maine schools continue remote learning for the rest of the school year. Education commissioner Pender Makin says it is clear from talking with colleagues around the country who are deeper into the coronavirus crisis than Maine is, that an all-clear to return to the classroom isn't likely anytime soon. But Makin also says, despite the challenges, some good will likely come out of this.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/13	6:01 pm	3:10	Right now, one third of the astronauts in space are Mainers! Chris Cassidy joined Jessica Meir at the

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				International Space Station and today took some time to talk to Maine students.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/14	5:59 pm	5:17	Sometimes critical shortage of ventilators has been a huge hurdle as doctors and nurses try to treat patients battling COVID-19. Luckily here in Maine, the availability of ventilators has not yet been an issue. But that didn't stop a teacher AT Baxter Academy from wanting to help the rest of the country.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/15	6:12 am	:58	Your experience with the coronavirus pandemic could be a part of history one day. The Fogler Library at UMaine is working to collect stories related to covid-19. The project will be used to create a community archive. Library employees say the goal is to preserve the story of the unprecedented time.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/20	5:59 pm	4:43	One month is literally in the history books as kids and many parents stay home, rarely leaving, and sharing the house that now doubles as both a school and a workplace. Many families are taking this time to get creative!
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/23	6:11 pm	3:44	During the Covid-19 pandemic we have seen countless acts of kindness, many of them from kids. Tonight, we want to share another such story with you. This one is about a 12-year-old boy in Gorham who is using technology to make sure an ICU nurse at Maine Medical Center and other front-line workers are staying safe and comfortable.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/24	6:19 am	2:30	Today is the last day of April vacation for most Maine students which means that come Monday, families will be back to their new normal, learning from home. It's been a difficult adjustment for a lot of parents and students, but experts say there are things families can do to make it easier.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/27	6:25 am	:56	Millions of students are coming up on what would have been graduations, proms and end-of-the-school-year events.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/27	5:59 pm	4:35	The Green Ladle is Lewiston Regional Technical Center's culinary arts program. Chef Dan Caron and staff train high school students who are interested in pursuing careers in food preparation, restaurant management or elsewhere in the hospitality industry. When the schools were closed due to the coronavirus pandemic, that included the green ladle. But as Peggy Keyser found out it didn't stay closed for long.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/12	5:59 pm	3:23	A lot of people must miss out on big milestones due to the pandemic. Couples must postpone or cancel their weddings, athletes can't compete, and high school seniors can't go to their prom. We've all had to compromise a bit during these times but two teenagers in Wisconsin found a way to celebrate prom with seniors.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/14	6:21 pm	1:07	If you're one of the thousands of parents across Maine who've had to be a surrogate teacher to your kids, then you probably have a new appreciation for just how tough the job is. Maine's Department of Education is honoring sixteen of the state's best

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				educators as county teachers of the year today.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/15	6:10 pm	2:31	We know how countless educators and parents are doing everything to help Maine students keep up their skills while learning at home. Speech therapists are also among those heroes working to make sure preschoolers with special needs don't fall through the cracks during this challenging time.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/26	6:07 pm	4:45	Even before the coronavirus, food insecurity was an issue facing many Maine students. Now there is heightened pressure and need for Maine students to get meals even though schools are closed. Before schools closed, providing nutritious home-cooked meals was a priority in Skowhegan. But now that everything's changed, their efforts have only increased.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/27	6:05 pm	4:06	Now to the State's school systems, they're now struggling to figure out how to budget for the next school year, one that, thanks to the pandemic is a big question mark. School leaders who all say no matter where students learn next year there are some big budgeting challenges ahead.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/2	6:00 pm	3:41	Like most things this year, the graduation of 2020 students will be one for the history books. Across the state parents, school staff and neighbors are trying to show support, you've probably noticed a lot of graduation lawn signs. But in Scarborough one senior decided to do something for his fellow classmates, quarantine photoshoots.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/10	6:10 pm	3:18	Tonight, school leaders in Maine's largest city discussed a push to remove police officers from its high schools. We're specifically talking about school resource officers, here at Deering High School and Portland High School, all part of a much larger effort to "defund the police" and use that money elsewhere to better support students of color.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/23	5:59 pm	4:00	High school graduation is a rite of passage and even though the class of 2020 couldn't experience their 'last moments', It definitely was a year for the history books or yearbook. It's been great to see so many people reach out to the graduating class, keeping morale high in the darkest of times. From parades, to banners, no matter the size, an act of kindness goes a long way.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/29	5:59 pm	4:55	Throughout this pandemic we've seen how social media and the internet has been key to staying connected. From working from home to tele-education, the coronavirus has forced us to adapt and rely heavily on internet access. But what happens if you don't have that access? We're learning almost one third of students from k through 12 don't have the tools they need to keep up with their studies.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/30	6:05 am	1:14	Tonight, we're expected to find out the fate of school resource officers in Portland public schools. This comes as debates continue across the country over

				<p>the role of police. The school board is slated to vote this evening on a resolution that would end the school district's memorandum of understanding with the Portland police department and end the school resource officers program. There are currently SRO's at both Portland and Deering high school. Two dueling petitions have also been circulated around the school community. One is from parents to remove law enforcement officers from the schools and has more than one-thousand signatures. The other is from two students hoping to keep the officers in place. However, there's also another option on the table. A proposed resolution with recommendations from the cutler institute report on school-based policing in Maine, calling on the superintendent of Portland public schools Xavier Botana to extend the current memorandum with Portland police and keep officers in schools for one more year before making a decision.</p>
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#### **Local Issue: ENVIRONMENT**

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/10	6:05 am	1:38	Thousands of Mainers are without power right now. That's primarily because last night's snow was wet and heavy, and wind gusts were strong.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/10	6:10 pm	4:27	More Mainers are spending time outdoors than usual amid stay at home orders to help slow the spread of Covid19. While hiking in the woods can provide a much-needed change of scenery, experts are urging people and their pets to take precautions against deer ticks, that carry Lyme disease.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/11	6:00 pm	:51	Two days after a spring storm brought heavy wet snow and gusty winds to Maine, tens of thousands of homes are still in the dark.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/13	6:20 am	2:12	This spring, many people are taking up a new hobby as a way to get outside while we're under 'stay healthy at home' orders. Most of us at this point are feeling a bit stir-crazy while stuck at home because of covid-19. That's why some Mainers are learning to garden as a way to pass the time and stay healthy during the coronavirus pandemic.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/16	6:06 pm	2:56	As the shock of the explosion subsides, concern is also turning to the future of the Androscoggin mill. Clean up and rebuilding following the explosion will take time. Some fear the mill may close for good.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/20	6:10 pm	1:21	Spring is normally a season of transition and change. But Spring 2020 has really stretched the boundaries of that idea. Tens of thousands of jobs in Maine have been lost, countless events have been canceled or postponed and now seemingly everything is done via teleconference.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/21	6:16 pm	1:15	The American Lung Association has released its annual 'report card' grading Maine's air quality by county.

NEWS CENTER Maine	4/22	6:00 pm	4:13	Today we celebrate Earth Day, the perfect time for kids and adults to learn more about the planet we inhabit.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/5	6:24 pm	2:21	Perhaps one of the best parts about spring is being able to crack open the window at night and listen to those spring peepers sing. It can be extremely calming, especially now. For tonight's breath of fresh air, photojournalist Kirk Cratty plays herpetologist along Old Ocean House Road in Cape Elizabeth.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/11	6:06 pm	1:04	That controversial power corridor meant to carry electricity from Quebec to the New England power grid just got another big approval today. Maine's department of environmental protection says the New England Clean Energy Connect project can move forward. The agency has granted the project final approval and a permit, but the agency says certain environmental conditions still need to be met. The corridor, proposed by Central Maine Power, is now being built by a separate company. Critics of the plan say it will destroy pristine wilderness near the Canadian border and that Mainers won't reap many benefits from it.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/13	6:17 pm	1:43	Some popular parks and beaches are beginning to reopen around the state. This week, Fort Williams in Cape Elizabeth, and beaches in Wells welcomed visitors back. Many spots are still restricted with others still closed entirely.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/19	6:02 pm	3:05	This time of year, there are black bear sightings all over the state, Eastern Aroostook, Bangor, Gorham, Portland, Yarmouth and here in Falmouth, right around the corner by Interstate 295. It's certainly not rare, there are about 35 thousand black bears right now in Maine but seeing them in populated areas in a little more unusual.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/22	6:00 pm	1:15	When a bald eagle is found dead, there's often some sort of investigation into exactly how the animal died. That's because, as a national symbol and due to conservation efforts, it's illegal to kill them. So, a bald eagle was found dead in a lake. It had clearly been stabbed in the heart. But the perpetrator will see no jail time
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/26	6:24 pm	1:39	Before you know it, we'll be back to days when the kids can play on a beach somewhere and play around with whatever they find washed up on shore. That could be a problem if what they find is anything like what washed up on Peaks Island recently, a giant jelly fish.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/27	6:03 am	2:12	Putting out wildfires across the state is a challenge and this year alone, there have been more than 530 wildfires in Maine. Compare that to last year, where there were only 356 in the entire year and shows just how much our recent dry weather is playing an impact. On Thursday and Friday, the state and the National Weather Service issued a red flag warning for Maine, banning outdoor fires across the state.

				Despite, that, over Memorial Day weekend, there were more than 50 wildfires in the state.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/29	6:20 pm	1:02	As more people head outdoors as temperatures rise, experts say any activities should include precautions against ticks. So far, the 2020 season is showing more tick activity since this time last year.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/2	6:15 pm	1:21	Hurricane season officially began yesterday. But it got off to an early start. There have already been three named storms.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/6	6:20 am	2:22	As more and more people dive into gardening, we are helping viewers find their green thumbs. This morning, a staple of many diets, and a staple crop here in Maine, potatoes! Potatoes like acidic soil, and Maine is full of it. Mark Faunce, the Chairperson of the Maine Flower Show, says if you don't have tillable soil in your yard, you can still grow potatoes, in fact, they do great in raised beds.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/8	5:59 pm	2:36	World Oceans Day is a day for encouraging worldwide awareness and action to protect our environment. Did you know rivers are a major source of plastic waste into the oceans? The Ocean Clean Up group estimates that over 1,000 rivers are accountable for 80% of the world's annual emissions. Here's a man who is tackling this problem head on, on his paddle board picking up thousands of cubic feet of trash from the Potomac (pah-toe-mick) River. His work becoming ever more important, as the amount of plastic waste surges during the pandemic.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/10	6:14 pm	1:24	The Fiberight plant opened back in November with the promise to take all that mixed trash and recyclables and separate it all out. What needed to be recycled would be and the rest would be turned into energy or be disposed of. Now all of it is heading for landfills because this plant has been shut down temporarily. The company says because it's not making enough money.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/13	6:14 am	1:37	Vegetable gardening is all the rage this year, so we continue our series on what you need to get growing. Mark Faunce, the Chairperson of the Maine Flower Show, shows us some of the extra steps he takes in his garden.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/18	5:59 pm	1:49	Just when you think you've seen it all this year, we get this. This is a lamprey, a rather terrifying looking fish that has been found in one of our state's rivers. Even though this looks like a scene from a movie called, Invasion of the Hungry Sea Aliens, what scientists see here is a 60-million-dollar success story. After a huge effort to remove or improve dams in Maine, the lampreys returned in droves, bringing with them all kinds of benefits for animals and humans.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/24	6:13 am	1:03	Wildfires have increased drastically across the state so far this year after an unusually dry season. So far in 2020 alone, the Maine Forest Service has responded to 712 wildfires that have burned across more than 870 acres. That is the second highest yearly total in ten

				years, and we only just started summer a few days ago. To address the growing number of wildfires the Maine forest service has suspended online brush burning permits until the state sees adequate rainfall. The forest service is also urging towns to use extreme caution in issuing handwritten permits for debris burning.
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### **Local Issue: POLITICAL EFFORTS**

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/1	6:04 am	1:25	Governor's orders: we are now just hours away from when these big changes take effect to try and stop the spread of coronavirus. It can all be broken down to three things RIGHT NOW. 1) Stay at home at ALL times unless for an essential job or an essential activity. Those activities include grocery shopping, picking up prescriptions or going to the doctor. 2) No public transportation, and only travel with people in your immediate household. And only for essential reasons. 3) End all classroom instruction and restrict number of people in essential stores.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/2	6:04 am	2:13	Members of congress may not be in Washington right now, but their work doesn't stop. Both Senator Susan Collins and Angus King say passing the more than two-trillion-dollar stimulus package is just the beginning. Now, the question is, where do we go from here?
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/11	6:16 am	3:28	Tomorrow is Easter, the day President Trump, at one point, said he wanted to see the country reopened. And in yesterday's briefing he reiterated that he is eager to get America back to work and has a new target date in mind.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/13	6:10 pm	1:11	Dozens of state lawmakers are putting more pressure on Bath Iron Works urging the shipyard to shut down. 72 legislators signed a letter to the head of BIW today with pointed questions from federal recommendations, personal protective equipment and job security for workers who have chosen to stay home without pay. This comes after two workers tested positive covid-19 and unions have been calling for a shutdown for weeks. But BIW leaders still insist the US Navy sees its work as 'critical' to our national security. State lawmakers argue the federal government is merely providing guidance not forcing the company to stay open.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/15	6:04 am	:58	This move is crucial because that original state of emergency order was initially set to expire today. Now it is renewed through May 15th. "A state of civil emergency keeps Maine on high alert and allows me to deploy all available state resources to protect the health and safety of Maine people and to swiftly respond to and protect against the spread of COVID-19

				in Maine."
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/16	6:06 am	1:00	Unions representing Maine nurses, firefighters, and EMT's are demanding that the federal government make more personal protective equipment or PPE available.
NEWS CENTER Maine	4/20	6:00 pm	2:03	We reached out to Governor Mills' administration and they sent us a response saying that they want to reopen the economy as soon as they can while making sure that public health is not jeopardized. Mills says that economic leaders like the President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston tell her the most important thing we can do for the economy is defeat the virus. And re-opening procedures will be coordinated with neighboring states.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/2	6:10 pm	3:06	As cities and states open back up, president trump is doubling down on quickly finding a cure for coronavirus.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/4	6:02 pm	3:50	A few hundred Mainer's who think the state needs to reopen quicker headed to Augusta to make their voices heard. But many Mainer's are following the stay safer at home order and keeping away from large crowds. So, is there a larger "silent" majority that supports the governor's phased approach to opening the state?
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/5	6:04 pm	4:42	An increasing number of lawmakers, particularly Republicans but also some Democrats, are complaining that Gov. Mills hasn't been consulting them as she should. A week and a half ago, leaders of both parties told the Governor they wanted to question the Labor Commissioner about the problems with the unemployment system. That hearing will happen tomorrow. But After the Governor rolled out her plan for reopening the economy, more legislators are becoming more vocal about wanting to be part of the decisions.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/6	6:02 pm	1:05	Over the weekend, republican leaders in the Maine legislature called for the removal of Governor Mills' emergency powers over her handling of the coronavirus. This is because they say she has largely left them out of the decision-making process. In response, repeatedly, governor mills said she would not be affected by partisan politics at this time.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/7	6:04 pm	4:20	As phase one of the plan to reopen businesses continues, places of worship are still considered non-essential. According to the governor's office, stage one allows "Limited drive-in, stay-in-your-vehicle church services." But for one church in Penobscot County, that's not enough.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/8	6:15 pm	2:54	With everything else going on in the world, it's easy to forget it's an election year. Presidential campaigns are still moving forward but things look a lot different.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/12	6:25 am	1:04	As the unemployment rate shoots up to historic territory, many American's are eager for that second

				round of economic stimulus. There are a lot of proposals out there but the one getting the most headlines is the idea of giving everyone making less than \$130,000 a year \$2,000 a month. You would also get \$500 for every qualifying child. Other similar ideas would increase that payment to a maximum of \$10,000 per qualifying family. While those proposals are getting some traction, president trump had said he'd only accept another stimulus bill if it included a payroll tax waiver. The white house argued that's the best way to help struggling families in the economy. But critics claim this wouldn't help the millions of people out of work, since they're not on a payroll. There's still a lot of skepticism that any one of these ideas could make it to the president's desk. Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell and others have said they want to see how the economic stimulus checks already handed out have worked before moving forward with any more relief.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/22	6:03 pm	1:07	A group of city mayors who say they're facing looming financial crisis" because of the pandemic say they want the governor to release at least part of the 1-and-a-quarter billion dollars sent by the feds to help fight the pandemic. The governor says she can't.
NEWS CENTER Maine	5/29	6:09 pm	2:29	Lawmakers said they want to be involved in deciding how the state should use the \$1.23 billion dollars it's received so far in Federal fund from the CARES act for COVID 19 relief. The Mills administration so far has not been ready to use that money. Senator Breen suggested using some of it to pay back southern Maine restaurant owners who spent thousands for food, before the Governor delayed reopening inside dining. She said the food could go to families who need it.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/1	6:05 am	1:04	The death of George Floyd is likely to play a big role in the presidential election. President Trump has taken a "law and order" approach while likely democratic nominee Joe Biden has reached out to the black community to share his concern about the "brutality" of Floyd's death.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/3	6:12 am	:49	There is some good news for small businesses struggling through the pandemic and the people they employ. The "paycheck protection flexibility act" passed unanimously in the senate late last night.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/4	6:01 pm	1:05	The problems of the state's unemployment system were front and center in Augusta, and sparked anger from both parties at a Legislative Committee. The Labor Committee was expecting to hear from Labor Commissioner Laura Fortman to answer questions about the difficulties with fraud, and with the computer system that Lawmakers say is causing thousands to go without or even lose benefits. But the Commissioner didn't show up. And committee members were angry.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/5	6:04 am	1:07	It certainly is a big day for this small town of fifteen hundred. Later today president trump will arrive in

				Guilford to tour puritan medical products. Puritan is one of the world's top makers of the medical swabs used in coronavirus testing. The president is set to tour the facility and meet with workers. This will be his first-time visiting Maine since coming on the campaign trail in 2016.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/7	6:04 am	1:23	"The goals are to ensure that those 8 minutes and 46 seconds that occurred, never happen again. Anywhere. Full stop". The City unequally and deeply respects the public's rights to state their opinions, as well as to protest.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/11	6:05 PM	3:37	Many of Maine's churches are slowly getting back to whatever normal will be, going forward. Under the Governor's guidelines, in-person worship has been allowed to resume but only 50 people can attend. And, like other sectors that are re-opening during the pandemic, not everyone is comfortable with gathering indoors.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/15	6:09 pm	1:05	In a lengthy letter to the state legislature, Maine department of labor commissioner Laura Forman spoke of the unprecedented challenges the department has faced and continues to face in the midst of the covid-19 pandemic.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/16	6:08 am	1:22	Maine voters may get another chance to decide if they want ranked choice voting. The Maine republican party submitted petitions to force a statewide vote in November on whether to allow ranked choice for presidential elections.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/17	6:11 pm	1:09	Whether Portland would give licensing preference to Mainers has been a controversial part of this ordinance since the beginning. And earlier this week, the state's largest medical marijuana dispensary chain filed a lawsuit against the city over just that.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/22	6:05 am	1:11	Members of BIW's largest union local s-6 walked out at 12:01. But there's been a strong presence of demonstrators in front of both the main gate, and the south gate, since yesterday. According to local s-6, 87-percent of voters rejected BIW's final contract offer and to go on strike. Union officials say this is the first time in roughly 20 years there's been a strike here.
NEWS CENTER Maine	6/23	6:11 pm	1:08	In three weeks, Mainers will be voting on party primary candidates and two requests to raise money. One of the questions is familiar: Voters are being asked to approve the annual, 105- million-dollar bond for roads and bridges. The bond would support a wide range of construction projects, from big bridges to small roads. Annual bonds have become one of the major sources of funding for Maine's transportation system, and voters have traditionally supported those bonds. But DOT Commissioner Bruce Van Note says the need this time is more urgent than usual. Because people are driving less and fewer tourists are coming, the state is seeing a big drop in gas tax revenues that also help pay for roads.

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NEWS CENTER Maine	6/24	6:20 pm	1:42	It's been a week since our friend and colleague John Richardson suddenly passed away. And he was clearly a friend to many people in Maine. Despite the need for social distancing, many of them came to pay tribute to John at a special memorial service at the State House.
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