

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Stations:

KDXU, KCIN/KIYK, KHKR, KREC, KXBN, KXFF

Oct. 1, 2023 through Dec. 31, 2023

Section I. Issues

The stations have identified the following topics as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- **Economy:** Food prices are still at an amazingly high rate and southern Utah communities struggle to deal with the ripple effect created by this, such as raising a family and the rising costs to employ people.
- **Mental Health:** Suicide prevention is foremost among the issues with a new hotline (9-8-8) and SW Behavioral Health Dept. pushing hard to help prevent these tragedies with its Reach4Hope programs.
- **Housing:** Young people still cannot afford homes and rents are amazingly high right now, creating a housing crunch in southern Utah. Rising prices for homes are staggering, especially for a young family. A house typically costs over \$500K in the county, so even with a big down payment, a monthly payment would be \$3K.
- **Community Involvement:** Appearances weekly from the local mayors like Michele Randall, Kress Staheli and Nanette Billings get us updates on the respective cities in our listening area.
- **Environment:** We are heading into a dry winter and that has many officials concerned we won't get the needed snow pack to sustain normal life quality in this high desert area, leading to possible water rationing or at least programs to promote water conservation.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The Andy Griffin Show is broadcast on all our St. George area stations and addresses these issues and many more throughout the year.

The program airs every Sunday at 6 a.m. on KCIN/KIYK, KHKR, KREC, KXBN and KXFF and every weekday on KDXU at 9 a.m.

Date(s) Aired	Description of Issue Discussed	Duration
10/01/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Environmental issues, snow melt, and other water concerns. Andy Griffin welcomes Washington County Water Conservancy Manager Zac Renstrom to the show to discuss flooding, drought, and other pertinent water issues. Environment, Water Crisis.	42:00
10/08/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed met with Hurricane mayor Nanette Billings to discuss the housing crunch, the need for alternate water sources and conservation, as well as weather and community related events in the fast-growing city of Hurricane. Local Economy, Housing, Water Crisis, Environment	43:46
10/15/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Washington County school issues with WCSD's Steve Dunham. We discussed the need for more help with feeding the "at-risk members of our school district and the fact that many children just do not get enough to eat. Education, Food Insecurity, Poverty.	43:00
10/22/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed gun safety and self-protection: Andy Griffin with firearms expert and former marine Dave Romer discuss firearm laws and the growing need for a gun shown by the female half of our society. Gun Safety, Gun Use	43:10
10/29/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed St. George Police department detective Lieutenant Dan Despain: Andy Griffin hosts the show and is joined by Despain as we discuss some of the traffic and crime issues facing the area in this time of extreme growth. Crime, Infrastructure.	43:08
11/05/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed the impending election with all five St. George city council candidates. Each candidate had a few minutes to state his/her case to the people of the area. Politics, Community Involvement.	44:13
11/12/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Washington City issues. Andy Griffin interviews and speaks with Washington City mayor Kress Staheli about the city's growth, need to maintain tradition and tremendous expansion in recent times. Community Involvement, Infrastructure, Expansion, Economy	42:00
11/19/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed the election with congressional candidate Celeste Maloy: Maloy joins Andy Griffin to discuss the needs of the state, plus her	42:10

	willingness to step in for the retiring congressman Chris Stewart. Politics, Community Involvement.	
11/26/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Environmental Awareness, snow melt and other water concerns: Andy Griffin welcomes Washington County Water Conservancy Manager Zac Renstrom to the show to discuss flooding, drought, and other pertinent water issues. Water Crisis	42:00
12/03/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed patriotism and freedom with former spec ops officer Colby Jenkins. Jenkins joins Andy Griffin to talk foreign issues, plus his desire to possibly run for the United States House of Representatives. Politics	42:55
12/10/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed controversy over community standards: Andy Griffin with St. George mayor Michele Randall talks about the battle between community standards and policies vs. the federal governments forcing of questionable laws. Politics	42:20
12/17/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Utah issues and the possibility of a new senator: Andy Griffin discusses with Utah speaker of the house Brad Wilson some of the need of the state and Wilson's accomplishments while house speaker. Wilson also hints at running for US Senate. Politics	42:00
12/24/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Utah issues and Washington County issues with County Commissioner Gil Almquist: Andy Griffin discusses with Almquist the need for safe road signs countywide, plus the Christmas season and helping others. Community Involvement, Infrastructure	43:10