

ISSUES AND PROGRAMS QUARTERLY REPORT

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During the period beginning October 1, 2015 and ending December 31, 2015 KGGF broadcast a series of programs designed to address the following issues and needs within the community.

1. Economic Development
2. Education
3. Health and Health Services
4. Legislative issues

All of the programs addressing the above issues, unless otherwise indicated were broadcast as [art of the stations' public affairs program "Public Forum" which is broadcast weekdays from 7:40am until 8:00am.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Economic development in Coffeyville and all of Montgomery County is an issue at the forefront in this community. Thus a series of programs were broadcast that dealt with a host of economic issues and problems that face the area. Topics that were discussed included concerns about the high unemployment rate due, lower than average wages as compared to the rest of the state and nation, re-imaging and branding the community, as well as how to retain people in the population. Guests that spoke on these topics during this series of programs included Stacia Meek with the Coffeyville Area Chamber of Commerce, Aaron Heckman with the Montgomery County Action Council and Coffeyville City Manager, Kendall Francis. These programs were broadcast on October 7, 14, 21, 28, November 4, 11 18, 25, December 2, 6, 16, and 23.

EDUCATION

Education continues to be an important topic to residents in the community. Standardized test scores, graduation rates, decreased funding for local school districts as well as innovations in education were all topics of discussion that continue to be of concern to the community. These were some of the topics that were discussed in a series of programs that addressed issues in education. Guests on this series of programs included USD 447 superintendent Dr. Robert Morton, the financial director of Coffeyville Public Schools Michael Speer and the Director of the Coffeyville Schools Head Start program Griffin Walker. These programs were broadcast on October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, 17, December 1, 8, 15 and 22.

HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES

Aging population and higher county incidences of cancer and other diseases continue to make health and health services a copy of importance in the community. Some of these issues and problems that were discussed during the Public Forum program included continued efforts at recruiting new doctors to the community especially those with experience and expertise in health issues of the aged, new senior pro-active health programs that are being offered through Coffeyville Regional Medical Center and efforts to improve the number of different services that are offered by various facilities in the area and the impending closure of Mercy Hospital in Independence and how to compensate for that closure in the provision of health care to residents. Guests on this series of programs included Ashly Tatman with CRMC as well as the CEO of CRMC, Mark Woodring. This series of programs was broadcast on October 1, 15, 29, November 12, December 3, and 17.

LEGISLATIVE

As a part of the Public Forum program a series of programs were broadcast that included local state legislators to discuss various bills and proposals in Topeka that can or may have an effect and impact on local citizens. Subjects such as tax proposals, education funding and economic improvement and development incentives were discussed. Among the legislators that were guests on this series of programs were State Senator Jeff King and State Representatives, Jim Kelly, Forest Knox and Virgil Peck. These programs were broadcast on October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6, 13, 23, December 4, 11 and 18.