

# **Issues/Programs Quarterly Report**

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**The following newscasts, programs, specials and announcements airing on WSIL-TV provide the most significant treatment of community issues:**

**WSIL-TV Newscasts**

News 3 This Morning	Monday-Friday 5:00-7:00 a.m.
News 3 This Morning	Saturday-Sunday 6:00-7:00 a.m.
News 3 at 5	Monday-Friday 5:00-5:30 p.m.
News 3 at 5	Saturday-Sunday 5:00-5:30 p.m.
News 3 at 6	Monday-Friday 6:00-6:30 p.m.
News 3 at 6:30	Monday-Friday 6:30-7:00 p.m.
News 3 at 10	Monday-Friday 10:00-10:35 p.m.
News 3 at 10	Saturday-Sunday 10:00-10:30 p.m.

**Public Service Announcements**

Varying length announcements from :15-:60 airing throughout the day about issues of community interest and importance.

**The following ABC network programs are also represented in this report:**

Good Morning America  
ABC World News  
Nightline  
20-20  
This Week with George Stephanopoulos

**Problems & Needs List  
2020 3rd Quarter Report  
WSIL-KPOB**

**In direct response to timely news topics, viewer letters and emails, WSIL-KPOB covered the following issues through news stories, public affairs programming and/or special reports:**

1. **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Food giveaways, fundraisers and donations in our area.
2. **EDUCATION:** Budget deficits; state funding; taxpayer opposition; need to upgrade school infrastructure; school district adaptation to new technology; need for upgrading of system and high educational standards; school funding and support of system; education for nontraditional.
3. **CRIME/COURT:** Following local crime stories, sentencing and police standoffs.
4. **COVID-19:** Following the nationwide pandemic, effects in our region, confirmed cases, what to do and best practices.
5. **HEALTH:** Aids; rising medical costs; childcare affordability; availability of child care; need for resources for elderly; strengthening of family unit; transportation and housing for poor and elderly; more programs for elderly; needs for the disadvantaged; nurses, doctors, and dentists; problems of alcohol and drug abuse; racial problems; child abuse; spouse abuse; sexual abuse; support for single parent families.
6. **RACIAL INJUSTICE:** Black Lives Matter rallies, protests and law enforcement, what those in our area are doing and how laws are changing.

**3rd QUARTER  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
"COMMUNITY SERVICE"  
7-01-20 THROUGH 9-30-20**

First Aired	Length	Show
07/19/20	:25	10PM

Senator Fowler Blood Drive. State Senator Dale Fowler is partnering with the Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center to host a blood drive.

It is in an effort to help meet the current demand for blood donations.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/12/20	1:30	5AM

Nubability Golf Clinic. The Nubability Athletics foundation is putting on a golf clinic for limb-different children ages four to 17. Many children will have a volunteer coach -- who shares the same limb-difference as them. The kids were also able to hit the course and show off what they learned.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/26/20	:25	5PM

VDC Food Giveaway. The Victory Dream Center teamed up with Molina Healthcare to host a food giveaway in Carbondale. Each family received over 50 pounds of meat.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/31/20	1:30	6PM

Specialized Equine Services Fundraising. The services were hit hard during the pandemic and are looking for ways to raise funds during the pandemic. The Raise the Saddle Campaign began to make sure therapeutic riding can continue in the future.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/20/20	:45	10PM

Women For Change Event. The event offered education on gardening, food tasting, and flowers. Organizers wanted to bring attention to food insecurity within the community.

**3rd QUARTER  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
"EDUCATION"  
7-01-20 THROUGH 9-30-20**

First Aired	Length	Show
08/31/20	:30	10PM

As the pandemic continues, the Illinois Community College Board is making it easier for people to earn their high school equivalency. The board received grant funding, which is allowing them to reduce the cost of those exams.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/10/20	:25	5AM

Southeast Missouri State University students will now have expanded test optional admissions and scholarship offerings available to freshman.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/11/20	:30	10PM

Kentucky has been awarded nearly 1-million dollars in federal funds to educate teens and young adults on how to be a responsible parent. The Charting a Course for Responsible Parenting program will provide education about the financial, legal, and emotional responsibilities that comes with parenthood.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/17/20	:25	5PM

Several school districts in Kentucky will hold special meetings to decide how they will start the school year off. The Graves County School District had planned to begin School on August 26, offering virtual and in-person classes. Now the district must decide whether to have those in-person courses or if everyone will start virtually.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/17/20	:45	5PM

The school district made the announcement this weekend after Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear recommended that Kentucky schools do not return in-person classes before September 28th. The district's response to starting early is that some kids live in abusive homes with no food, running water or electricity, and school is a safe haven.

**3rd QUARTER  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
"CRIME/COURT"  
7-01-20 THROUGH 9-30-20**

First Aired	Length	Show
07/17/20	:25	10PM

A man charged with stealing thousands from a Kentucky barbecue event says he's not guilty. 50-year-old David Boggs pleaded not guilty to in McCracken County Court.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/28/20	:25	6:30PM

Senator Rand Paul's former neighbor has been re-sentenced to an extra seven months behind bars for tackling the lawmaker over lawn care. Rene Boucher will also have to serve six months in home detention.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/09/20	:30	5PM

Police in Missouri were asking the public's help finding a shooting suspect. 27-year-old Dwayne Woods was suspected of a shooting in Kennett on the 400-block of West Fifth Street. Woods was wanted for robbery and is pending charges of assault, unlawful use of a weapon and armed criminal action.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/12/20	1:00	5PM

A contempt hearing in the Darren Bailey versus Illinois Governor JB Pritzker case scheduled for Friday in Clay County has been cancelled. The State Supreme Court has granted a stay in the case.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/18/20	:30	10PM

One person was killed in a shooting in Carbondale. It happened on North Robert A. Stalls Avenue. The victim, 44-year-old Jamonte Allison, was found shot and later died at a hospital.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/24/20	:45	5AM

Two people were arrested in connection with a double homicide in Paducah, Kentucky. McCracken County Deputies found 23-year old Justice Hicks, and 31-year-old Victor E. Moore, both of Paducah, with gunshot wounds. One died at the scene. The other died at a hospital.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/07/20	1:20	10PM

A car was found in Mt. Vernon connected to a Richland County murder. Nearly a month later--  
-authorities tracked down two teen suspects in Florida.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/14/20	:30	10PM

A Jonesboro man has been charged with indecent solicitation of a child. Harold Goetz was is  
also charged with traveling to meet a minor and grooming. Goetz was arrested on September  
10th, after police say he attempted to meet with a person he believed to be a child under the  
age of 14 for sexual purposes.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/27/20	:20	10PM

Williamson County Sheriff's deputies put out a call to public after a vehicle theft.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/30/20	:25	10PM

The man known as the 'Dreadhead Cowboy' was in court, for riding his horse on the Dan  
Ryan Expressway in Chicago last week to make a statement. Adam Hollingsworth is facing  
several charges, including felony animal cruelty.

**3rd QUARTER  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
"COVID-19"  
7-01-20 THROUGH 9-30-20**

First Aired	Length	Show
07/13/20	1:30	6PM

IHSA Lawsuit: High school sports were cancelled for the fall in Illinois due to the pandemic. Multiple lawsuits have been filed to try and allow students to play. This story included live reaction from a lawyer behind one of those suits.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/28/20	1:00	6:30PM

Congressman Mike Bost did an exclusive interview with News 3 WSIL on the current state of a second round of stimulus money. Bost spoke on the importance of funds already in the hands of businesses and local individuals. But he said more was needed due to the pandemic.

First Aired	Length	Show
7/29/20	:45	10PM

Kentucky scales back dine-in eating options due to spike in the COVID-19 coronavirus. News 3 WSIL spoke with one business in Paducah about having to shut down dine-in service.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/31/20	:25	10PM

SIU begins making hand sanitizer. Fermentation Science Institute just finished their first batch of what they're calling -- "Saluki Sanitizer." They say they found they can produce a cleaner sanitizer than what is commonly available on the market.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/26/20	2:00	5PM

Convalescent Plasma: Convalescent plasma therapy is seen as an experimental treatment --- that the FDA has been pushing more hospitals to use. SIH has used this method since May to treat more than a dozen patients--- with mixed results.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/26/20	2:00	10PM

Vaping and COVID. New research shows vaping increases the risk of someone getting COVID. Local health experts weighed in on the new report.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/28/20	:30	5PM

Herrin Thanksgiving Cancelled: The pandemic forced one community to call off a decade's long tradition. For the first time in 32 years—Herrin will not be able to serve hundreds a traditional Thanksgiving meal.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/31/20	:45	10PM

Healthcare facility shuts down due to COVID-19 outbreak. The SIH facility in Harrisburg had to close for deep cleaning after multiple staff members got the virus. Patients appointments were canceled or moved to other facilities.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/10/20	:45	5PM

A local first responder died after battling COVID-19. He spent decades working with various agencies, most recently as a dispatcher in Franklin County. The West Frankfort Police Chief spoke to News 3 WSIL about "Little John" and his impact on the department.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/22/20	2:00	6PM

COVID-19 Survivor speaks out. Susan Rogers spent time on a ventilator after getting exposed to the virus in church. She shared stories about her recovery and the nurses that helped save her life.

**3rd QUARTER  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
"HEALTH"  
7-01-20 THROUGH 9-30-20**

First Aired	Length	Show
07/01/20	:25	6PM

Centerstone & Fellowship House merge. The organizations signed a letter of intent to merge and it became official on July 1st. The Fellowship House provided services for those suffering from substance abuse and other co-occurring problems.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/06/20	1:00	10PM

Southern 7 Vaccines Down. Officials with the Southern 7 Health Department report immunizations have decreased as much as 50 percent at their clinics. Shawanna Rhine says parents need to be aware of the implications. Rhine says if your child needs vaccinated, call your local health department.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/17/20	1:00	6PM

Anna Nurse starts Alzheimer's awareness project. Jennifer Glodo says her grandfather Joseph Cameron Freeman died from Alzheimer's in 2010 after battling the disease for two years.

His passing inspired her to make a change -- and do a walk-in mid-July around his birthday to raise funds and donate them to the Alzheimer's Association for research. Last year, she helped raise over two thousand dollars.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/07/20	:25	6PM

Centerstone Fellowship House debuts new detox program. They can now help treat a long list of symptoms including shaking, hypertension, anxiety, and nausea. Much of the new program is designed for opiate withdrawal.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/20/20	1:30	5PM

Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. News 3 spoke with Grant Capel, the Paramedic Director at the Union County Hospital, to share his 35 years' worth of medical experience. Capel says if any alarms are rung regarding suicide, to take it seriously and first responders and medical professionals can handle it discreetly.

**3rd QUARTER  
QUARTERLY REPORTS  
“RACIAL INJUSTICE”  
7-01-20 THROUGH 9-30-20**

First Aired	Length	Show
07/03/20	:45	5PM

In an effort to support students of all backgrounds, as well as supporting the Black Lives Matter movement, local teachers hold a political demonstration at the town park.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/03/20	1:00	10PM

A local town discusses renaming a local park to honor an African American historical figure from the area. The mayor spearheads the idea and talks about possible grants for the project.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/06/20	1:45	6PM

A promotional event is organized by a local woman to highlight locally owned businesses owned by African American individuals.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/06/20	:45	10PM

A local branch of the NAACP joins the city in a ‘town hall’ style meeting to discuss community policing. Members of the city are welcomed to participate and ask questions via video conference.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/07/20	:30	6PM

A local memorial depicting Confederate soldiers is moved to a different location. Many are appeased by moving the display to a less visited site, without having to destroy it.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/14/20	2:00	6PM

Journalists, a sociologist, and Black Lives Matter activists come together to discuss racism in rural areas. Residents from a local town discuss the town being labeled as a “sundown town.”

First Aired	Length	Show
07/14/20	:45	6PM

Local members of law enforcement discuss the practice of chokeholds, in light of the death of George Floyd. Members of a local police department meet with the NAACP to discuss updating policing policies.

First Aired	Length	Show
07/17/20	1:30	6:30PM

Organizers of a planned protest explain their motivations behind political demonstrations revolving around a Confederate soldier display.

First Aired	Length	Show
08/26/20	1:30	6:30PM

After groups continue to protest racial injustice and police malpractice, several people are killed by gunfire in Kenosha, Wisconsin. This results in a declaration of a state of emergency for the state, and hundreds of members of the National Guard are called in.

First Aired	Length	Show
09/27/20	:45	5PM

A local group of activists gather to demonstrate support for the Black Lives Matter cause. They join organizers of the Southern Illinois Unity Coalition.