

ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

FOR

WRCH FM

THIRD QUARTER 2023

(July 1st through September 30th)

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WRCH PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES

1. Face Connecticut: (Sundays, 6:30 - 7:00 a.m.)

Hosted by Morgan Cunningham *Face*

***Connecticut* provides an in-depth look at today's issues, in conversations with leaders and newsmakers from across the state.**

2. Spotlite: (Sundays, 7:00-7:30 a.m.)

Hosted by Chuck Taylor, *Spotlite* features topical issues of concern to the community and the state.

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT

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MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING

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2/:30 live reads**

The organization Narc Anon offers a toll free number and website address to help people who may have a drug problem.

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AmeriCorps requests your gently used books for donation.

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Regular Scheduling
3/:15 live reads**

Birthright offers support to pregnant women in need.

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Interval House offers help to domestic abuse victims and their children.

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5/:20 live reads**

The Dress for Success organization encourages women to donate their dresses and suits for women in need for job interviews.

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To help prevent disaster assistance fraud, the National Insurance Crime Bureau offers a free brochure entitled "Don't Be a Victim Twice."

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The Women's Business Development Center offers workshops to women interested in starting a business.

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The VNA healthcare Meals on Wheels Program offers meals to homebound individuals.

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The Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind encourages people to volunteer as a guide dog trainer.

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A phone number and website address is given for information about the Brain Injury Association of Connecticut.

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American Red Cross is asking individuals to donate blood at a local blood drive.

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The "Pets for People Program" that allows senior citizens to adopt a pet from the Connecticut Humane Society free of charge.

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Hospice and Palliative Care of CTVNA offers training to people interested in working with hospice patients.

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Foodshare the regional food bank of greater Hartford offers their services to people in need.

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The Arthritis Foundation asks individuals to visit their website for tips to help people with arthritis.

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The Consumer Law project for elders offers free legal advice on identity theft.

