

Here follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by Station KMUC, Columbia, Missouri along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period January 2024 through March 2024. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

1. Rural Substance Use Disorder Treatment: 'The waitlists are sometimes weeks or even months long.'

In-depth health reporting
March 29, 2024
Aired at 5:00pm
3:59

Joe Jefferies is a certified peer support specialist who lives in Fayette. They spoke about their queer identity and journey toward recovery from substance use disorder, as well as about the need for more resources in rural communities.

2. Promoting understanding of people who use drugs: 'This is something that we should address compassionately'

In-depth health reporting
February 23, 2024
Aired at 5:00pm
3:59

Addiction science expert Rachel Winograd spoke about how the dominant perception of people who use drugs can impact their ability to seek care and recover.

3. "When that judge drops that gavel, no matter how much he gives you – he gives that sentence to your loved ones."

In-depth health reporting
February 9, 2024
Aired at 5:00pm
3:59

Paige Spears has been incarcerated in the Missouri Department of Corrections for nearly 35 years. At the age of 26, he was given a life sentence plus 30 years for an armed robbery he committed in 1988 – where no one was physically injured. He's now 62. We met up with his family in January-Wabash Park in north county St. Louis recently and spoke about Paige and how his absence for more than 30 years of incarceration has impacted them.

4. Addressing health impacts from adverse childhood experiences: 'they're largely unrecognized.'

In-depth health reporting
January 11, 2024
Aired at 5:00pm

3:59

A three-year grant awarded to the University of Missouri by the USDA will help train health and social workers on adverse childhood experiences, or ACEs.

5. MU Philharmonic Orchestra aims to broaden program beyond 'just dead, white, European men.'

In-depth cultural reporting

March 5, 2024

Aired at 5:00pm

4:59

John McKeever led the University Philharmonic Orchestra in their first concert of the spring semester on February 15. Classical 90.5's Kiana Fernandes sat down with him to discuss his first year at the university, programming this concert and future plans for the orchestra.

<https://www.kmuc.org/2024-03-05/mu-philharmonic-orchestra-aims-to-broaden-program-beyond-just-dead-white-european-men>