

Issues Programs List
Quarterly Issues Programs List for
KBZS FM; KWFS AM/FM; KNIN FM
April 1-June 30, 2020

Section I-Issues

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

The coronavirus pandemic's negative effect on the city's economy

1. The Wichita Falls economy experienced a downturn as a result of businesses being forced to shut down due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Unemployment continues to rise even as the state reopens

2. The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic are proving to be far-reaching as jobless claims continue to rise in the wake of Governor Abbott's phased reopening of the state.

The upcoming Texas Congressional District 13 runoff

3. Candidates Josh Winegarner and Ronny Jackson are running for the Republican nomination for Texas Congressional District 13 in a runoff election that will be held on July 14. The winner will advance to the general election on November 3, 2020. In the March 3 Republican primary, Winegarner received 38.8% of the vote to Jackson's 19.9%.

Two new proposed high schools

4. The Wichita Falls ISD has been debating two proposed options for a long-range facilities plan. Both plans have been for a new high school, or schools, for the city. Currently, the WFISD operates three high schools: Rider, Wichita Falls High School and Hirschi. The bond package has yet to be written, but could possibly be on the November 2020 ballot.

Section II-Responsive Programming

The Voice of Wichita Falls is a half-hour, locally produced program designed to highlight the economic, business, education and civic issues important to our community

The Voice of Wichita Falls airs on Saturdays at 12:00 p.m. on KWFS AM and on Sundays at 8:00 a.m. on KBZS, 8:30 a.m. on KWFS-AM, 10:00 a.m. on KNIN, and 11:00 a.m. on KWFS

Date	Description Of Issue	Narrative
4/4/20 & 4/5/20	The coronavirus pandemic and its economic impact on Wichita Falls	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim continued to discuss the coronavirus, the City's shelter in place order and the rules in place.
4/11/20 & 4/12/20	Business activity remains on hold as the City of Wichita Falls deals with the effects of the coronavirus pandemic	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim remain on the coronavirus topic as nothing new is likely to happen on the business front for a while.
4/18 & 4/19	Reopening Texas, Wichita Falls' new coronavirus task force, Wichita County modifies its disaster declaration and the state of local businesses	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss Governor Abbott's plan to reopen Texas, Mayor Santellana's establishment of a coronavirus task force, the modification of Wichita County's disaster declaration and how local businesses are holding up.
4/25 & 4/26	The upcoming easing of restrictions and the economic fallout from layoffs	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim talk about the upcoming easing of restrictions on businesses and the economic fallout from the resulting layoffs.
5/2 & 5/3	Changes implemented under Phase I reopening and the continuing rise in unemployment	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss changes implemented under Phase I reopening to venues, outdoor sports, etc. They also talk restaurants' ability to reopen dining rooms, but not all choose to do so yet. Why and what comes next for them? They also touched on the continuing rise in unemployment numbers.
5/9 & 5/10	The continuing rise in jobless claims, local businesses are reopening and the WFISD's upcoming graduation ceremony	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim talk about how jobless claims continue to rise. They also discuss local businesses that are reopening, the news that WFISD students will have a graduation ceremony after all

		and a job position that has opened up with the chamber.
5/16 & 5/17	Uncertainty for small businesses, state guidelines for the coronavirus pandemic, growing unemployment and the upcoming Congressional District 13 run-off	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss the uncertainty that small businesses face as they re-open (and some that won't re-open), how the state guidelines have evolved during the pandemic, the growing unemployment number, the upcoming Congressional District 13 run-off in July, how the size of District 13 impacts the overall Texas economy and the sales tax situation in Wichita County - how low will it go as the April numbers emerge?
5/23 & 5/24	Business in the era of video conferencing, Wichita Falls named lowest cost of living city and two new proposed high schools	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss how video conferencing has changed how some Wichita Falls business owners communicate, bars reopening, Wichita Falls being named lowest cost of living city, the Wichita Falls City Council giving the go-ahead to a new QT Convenience store for the city's north side. They also talk about how the WFISD has put down option money on a location for one of two new proposed high schools and The WF Chamber of Commerce offices upcoming re-opening to the public on May 26.
5/30 & 5/31	New business prospects for Wichita Falls, lower sales tax revenues, unemployment numbers remain high and another major event falls victim to the pandemic	Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim talk about new business prospects for Wichita Falls, how sales tax revenues are expected to be down significantly for April, the fact that unemployment numbers remain high and another major local event that has fallen victim to Covid-19.

<p>6/6 & 6/7</p>	<p>Unemployment pops to double digits in Wichita Falls, Governor Abbott's phase 3 re-opening plan, an award for excellence and a peaceful protest in downtown</p>	<p>Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss the fact that Wichita Falls unemployment popped to double digits in April, Gov. Abbott's phase 3 re-opening plan, how Wichita Falls and the Chamber received another award for excellence and a peaceful protest that was held in downtown Wichita Falls earlier this week.</p>
<p>6/13 & 6/14</p>	<p>The Wichita Falls economy's slow recovery, unemployment numbers, loosening restrictions for restaurants and an expanding Mexican food franchise</p>	<p>Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss the Wichita Falls economy's continued slow recovery in some areas. They also talk about our market's unemployment numbers, how the former Crawdaddy's Restaurant will soon be home to an expanding Mexican food franchise, Gov. Greg Abbott's loosening of restrictions for restaurants and more.</p>
<p>6/20 & 6/21</p>	<p>A possible second wave of COVID-19, another round of PPP and EIDL loans and more 4A Board industry prospects</p>	<p>Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim talk about the possibility of a second wave of COVID-19 forcing more business closures. They also discuss another round of PPP and EIDL loans that has opened up through the SBA and the fact that there are more 4A Board industry prospects on the horizon for Wichita Falls.</p>
<p>6/27 & 6/28</p>	<p>Wichita Falls businesses' response to the increase in COVID-19 cases, Vexus Fiber's major investment and an upcoming major 4A Board announcement</p>	<p>Mike Hendren and Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce President Henry Florsheim discuss Wichita Falls businesses' response to the increase in COVID-19 cases, Vexus Fiber's (formerly NTS Communications) major investment in Wichita Falls, and a major 4A Board announcement that is coming soon and how a new industry may soon be calling Wichita Falls home.</p>