

Columbus, Georgia
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WRBL (TV) has ascertained the following issues are of interest to Columbus, Georgia community:

- Community
- Crime
- Economy
- Education
- Environment/Land Use/Sprawl
- Family Values
- Government
- Military

WRBL (TV) addressed these issues by providing significant treatment in the following local programs:

- News 3 This Morning (Monday – Friday, 5:00 – 7:00 a.m.)
- News 3 Midday (Monday – Friday, 12:00 – 12:30 p.m.)
- News 3 Evening Edition (Monday – Friday, 6:00 – 6:30 p.m.)
- News 3 Night Watch (Monday – Sunday, 11:00 – 11:35 p.m.)

As a CBS network affiliate, WRBL (TV) also aired a variety of CBS programming responsive to the interests and needs of the Columbus, Georgia community.

While this list describes much of WRBL (TV)'s most significant issue-responsive programming, it is not exhaustive. Programming described in this quarterly list of issues – responsive program may be simultaneously to more than one issue. Each segment aired between 30 seconds to two minutes, unless otherwise noted.

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3.1	Sex Trafficking Round Table	6 p.m.	1/9, 1/10	45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/9 Sex Trafficking Round Table - HUNDRED AND SIXTY NINE KIDS BUT SINCE THEN GEORGIA CARES IS PROVIDED CARE TO ALMOST DOUBLE THAT NUMBER. KNOWING THIS RHONDA DIAL OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ROUNDTABLE CHOSE TO HOLD A DISCUSSION WITH LOCAL LEADERS TO TACKLE THIS ISSUE. IN 2016... GEORGIA CARES REPORTED THAT THEY'RE PROVIDING SERVICES TO FOUR "Me myself personally, I'm just learning a lot about the sex trafficking here in Columbus, Muscogee county and what I have heard there is alot of it." DURING THE PRESENTATION MICAH'S PROMISE AND GEORGIA CARE ADDRESSED AS LONG AS THEIR IS A DEMAND SEX TRAFFICKERS WILL FIND A WAY TO SUPPLY. GEORGIA CARE SAYS ATLANTA IS THE THIRD LARGEST CITY FOR SEX TRAFFICKING IN AMERICA AND SAID THAT EVEN THOUGH IT'S AN HOUR AND A HALF WAY SEX TRAFFICKING IS A TRANSIENT ISSUE. "It's not only in a certain demographic, socioeconomic area or level in this community. You could have a party house in one of our higher end neighborhoods any home it could be hidden in plain sight." LOCAL LEADERS FROM TROUP COUNTY, CHATAHOOCHEE COUNTY, RUSSELL COUNTY WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE AND ADDED THEIR INPUT AFTER THE PRESENTATION. ROBYN WINDIBANK OF GEORGIA CARE SAYS HOMELESS CHILDREN ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE. "So children who are the most vulnerable people in the world are homeless here in Columbus I think that's shocking and I hope it empowers everyone to get out there and help." THERE IS AN UNFUNDED MANDATE TO INCLUDE SEX TRAFFICKING TRAINING TO EDUCATORS. GEORGIA CARES SAYS THEY ARE WORKING TO GET THIS TRAINING IN SCHOOLS. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

1/11 IDS For Homeless Campaign - BEING HOMELESS CAN BE HARD ENOUGH. BUT MISSING A FORM OF I-D CAN BLOCK EVEN THE MOST BASIC NECESSITIES. JIMMY PERSON, LOCAL HOMELESS MAN: "You gotta have it. you just gotta have it. these days you can't do nothing without it." MUSCOGEE COUNTY JAIL CHAPLAIN NEIL RICHARDSON AND THE STAFF AT SAFE HOUSE MINISTRIES HOMELESS SHELTER ARE SPEARHEADING THE "COMMUNITY ACCESS CARD PROGRAM." NEIL RICHARDSON, MUSCOGEE COUNTY JAIL CHAPLAIN: "We've had a number of our clients that come back to us that are having a difficult time getting state id card or access to services. we've had a lady that just came up here today that couldn't get into a shelter because she has no I-D." COMMUNITY ACCESS CARDS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY SAFEHOUSE, UNITED WAY, AND THE MAJORITY OF HOMELESS AND CHARITY PROGRAMS IN THE CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY. RECIPIENTS WILL BE ABLE TO EASILY ACCESS SHELTER, FOOD, SHOWERS, AND MUCH NEEDED ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS. THE CARDS WILL ALSO SCAN INTO A SHARED DATABASE TO HELP ORGANIZE AND COORDINATE INFORMATION BETWEEN CHARITIES. CHARLES JEFFRIES, SAFEHOUSE MINISTRIES MANAGER: "That will blend into telling our donators what we need, when we need it, so everything in conjunction will run better." JIMMY PERSON TELLS NEWS 3 HE'S HEARD THE STREETS BUZZING WITH EXCITEMENT ABOUT THE NEW PROGRAM. HE SAYS IT CAN BE HARD GETTING BACK ON YOUR FEET WITHOUT AN I-D. JIMMY PERSON, LOCAL HOMELESS MAN: "If you have a check, you can't go to the bank or cash a check, money order, or whatever. you basically have to have it if you wanna take care of some business." ORGANIZERS ADD THEY ARE IN TALKS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND THE NEW GEORGIA GOVERNOR'S OFFICE TO HAVE THE CARDS RECOGNIZED BEYOND

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COLUMBUS CHARITIES. JEFFRIES SAYS HE'S MOVED TO SEE THE AMOUNT OF COMMUNITY DONATIONS AND SUPPORT -- ESPECIALLY GIVEN HE'S EXPERIENCED THE STRUGGLE HOMELESSNESS BRINGS FIRST HAND. CHARLES JEFFRIES, SAFEHOUSE MINISTRIES MANAGER: "It is uplifting and it is grounding. it's a remembrance without dwelling of where i was and where i am now and where all these guys can go." REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE IN COLUMBUS, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45

1/16 Lee County DUI Program - you just put up to your mouth and blow. If you get a first time DUI in Lee County - you have an option to enter pre-trial diversion - but it's one of the toughest programs in the state and Brandon Hughes is proud of that. It's a one shot bite at the Apple. This is a way for you to have a do-over and get a fresh start. I know I have fought having a DUI pretrial diversion program for a long part of my career, but we had it when I got here and the camel was already under the tent. So we made it more stringent on who we allow in and out. For instance if you get into a wreck you are not eligable, or if you have a child under the age of 14. If they do get in - regardless of the facts and circumstances of their case - they are prohibited one thousand percent from any alcohol while they are in the program. If you have once ounce of alcohol you will be kicked out of the program and convicted of your DUI. Under a new Alabama law - an offender has to blow into an interlock device to start their vehicle. there is nothing stopping them from getting into someone else car or during somebody else cars if they know they have been ebeen drinking they are not going to take a test voluntarily. So, on top of Interlock - Hughes was one of the first Da's in the state to implement personal alcohol detection devices. they don't tell us when they are going to test we tell them when they are going to test. They can be anywhere and we can test them 10 - 12 - 15 times a day if we want and have ave 30 minutes to blow into the device. They have to hold a smart phone up and records video of them blowing into the device so we know it is them and if they test shows they have alcohol we get an email alert saying they have tested hot for alcohol. Hughes says prohibition and consistent monitoring is crucial to changing an offenders mindset while completing the program. With 191 graduates - only

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one has gotten a second DUI. the stats are they will tell you for every DUI arrest someone has gotten they have driven 80 times or more before they are caught. So hopefully we are doing something to help them and the community>6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

1/17 Tax Delay Due To Shut down - TERESA TODAY MARKS THE 27TH DAY SINCE THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN HAD AN IMPACT ON THOUSANDS OF FEDERAL EMPLOYERS, BUT IT ALSO EFFECTS MANY LOCAL TAX PREPARERS. IN COLUMBUS, SOME TAX AGENCIES ARE FACING A TOUGH BUSINESS PERIOD WITH THE LACK OF FOOT TRAFFIC COMING THROUGH THEIR DOORS, WHEN SCHEDULING FOR APPOINTMENTS BEFORE THE TAX FILING SEASON. BUT TAX EXPERTS AREN'T EXPECTING THE LULL PERIOD LAST. TAX EXPERTS SAY THIS YEAR THEY ARE ANTICIPATING A MAJOR WORK OVERLOAD FOR ITS STAFF BECAUSE THE IRS IS CURRENTLY WORKING WITH ONLY 57% OF ITS WORKERS TO PROCESS RETURNS.6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm vo/Sot:45

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1/21 Ralston Water Bill Problem - Friday as the more than 250 Ralston residents were being notified that PF Holdings had not paid its water bill, the residents of the sprawling Eagle Trace complex near the Fort Benning gate were also being notified of the same issue. According to Water Works spokesman Vic Burchfield the signs at the Eagle Trace entrance off Torchhill Road were removed. "We did not remove those signs, but they have been removed at this point by some unknown party." The Eagle Trace office was closed Monday due to the holiday. Multiple residents entering the gated community Monday afternoon said they had not been told of the possible loss of water and did not see the signs. PF Holdings is in this situation because it hasn't paid its water bill. The Water Works will not say how far behind PF Holdings is at the Ralston or Eagle Trace. But they will say that neither bill was paid as of the close of business Friday. A resident at the Ralston, who declined to go on camera, says the management has told tenants the bill has been paid. "They were given the identical notice as the Ralston at the same identical time. So, the same process was started in parallel for both properties." END OF PACKAGE 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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1/21 MLK Memorial Service - DOCTOR KING ONCE WROTE HUMAN PROGRESS IS NEITHER AUTOMATIC NOR INEVITABLE. TODAY METROPOLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH ADDRESSED A TIME FOR CHANGE. GUEST SPEAKER L.K. PENDLETON SAYS IT'S IMPORTANT TO ANALYZE WHERE WE ARE TODAY FROM WHERE WE WERE IN NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT. "I wanted to propel the people or get the people to thinking that we must reclaim our voice because this is the time and that we must now move beyond the social strictures that tend to paralyze us and keep us from moving forward." PENDLETON SAYS IT'S OUR DUTY TO SEE THAT THERE'S PROGRESSION IN THE MOVEMENT. PASTOR OF METROPOLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH DOCTOR CURTIS CROCKER SAYS THIS IS THE THIRTY FIRST ANNUAL SERVICE FOR MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY. CROCKER SAYS HE BELIEVES KING WOULD BE HAPPY TO SEE US CELEBRATING HIS VISION BUT BE DISSAPOINTED THE AMOUNT OF HATRED THAT EXISTS IN OUR COMMUNITY. "We've allowed some of the things in this community to take place in this world to take place and we've allowed some of our freedoms to dictate our passions and our thoughts on other people.... I don't think he would be pleased." GUEST SPEAKER PENDLETON SAYS IN HER SPEECH THAT THIS IS A CALL TO ACTION AND IF WE ALL LOOKED OUT FOR EACH OTHER IN OUR COMMUNITY THERE WOULD BE A HUGE IMPROVEMENT. CITY COUNCILOR BRUCE HUFF SAYS THE SERVICE TODAY WAS TO REENERGIZE THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY TO COME TOGETHER. "The message today is we need to get more involved in the NAACP, we need to get more involved with the new mayor and everything the council does to make this a better place to live. THE SERVICE ENDED WITH A PRAYER OF UNITY ASKING EVERYONE TO USE THIS DAY TO ENACT CHANGE. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON, WRBLNEWS3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45.

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3.1	Former Congressman Passes Away	6 p.m., 11 p.m. 1/23, 1/24	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	1/23 Former Congressman Passes Away - JACK BRINKLEY PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING. HE HAD JUST CELEBRATED HIS 88TH BIRTHDAY IN DECEMBER, AND LOST HIS SON IN NOVEMBER. BRINKLEY SERVED 8 CONSECUTIVE SESSIONS AS A CONGRESSMAN REPRESENTING GEORGIA FROM 1967 TO 1983. BEFORE THAT HE SERVED ONE TERM ON THE GEORGIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. MITZI OXFORD WITH VALLEY RESCUE MISSION MET BRINKLEY IN 1977. SHE WAS A YOUNG JOURNALIST AT THE TIME AND SAYS HE WAS ALWAYS GRACIOUS FROM THEIR FIRST MEETING. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm Vo/Sot:45
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3.1	Food Stamp Shut Down	6 p.m., 11 p.m. 1/25, 1/26	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	1/25 Food Stamp Shut Down - Each month Alabama DHR distributes around 90 million dollars in federal snap benefits to 350-thousand households. The majority of people on the Snap Program who use it are children, disabled and the elderly. The average person receives \$120 a month for food Spear says the state worked with the USDA to fund SNAP families through February - now those benefits have to last they are not extra benefits it is just an early deposit put on your EBT Card Spear urges SNAP families to be conservative - saying many families mistakenly believe they have to spend their benefits before the end of the month. your benefits are good on that card as long as you are using that card Families are being encouraged to shop wisely - be careful what you buy, try to make it non-perishable foods - like canned goods and frozen foods Despite a recent deal to re-open the government temporarily - states are still awaiting word from the USDA on SNAP benefits for March. I feel hopeful the federal government will get this taken care of and March will be okay." 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45
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1/25 Homeless Count - NEW HORIZONS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRANSFORMED THIS COMMUNITY GYM.. INTO A PLACE WHERE THE HOMELESS COULD GET EVERYTHING THEY NEEDED. LATARSHA BROWN/"We're offering education, mental health services, veteran services, jobs, hiv testing, we have a clothing bank. We're providing haircuts.. beauticians are here. So we have a wrap around service today. NEW HORIZONS WITH THE HELP OF UNITED WAY... HAS BEEN PROVIDING THESE KINDS OF SERVICES FOR QUITE A WHILE NOW. LATARSHA BROWN/"It was something that was started for the community. It's something that's been ongoing for the last 10 years.. and it's been such a great success. PEOPLE WITHOUT A PLACE TO CALL HOME HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PICK OUT NEW CLOTHES.. GET THEIR HAIR DONE AND LEAVE WITH A MEAL. AUDLEY JONES SAYS ITS THE BEST THING ANYONE HAS EVER DONE FOR HIM. AUDLEY JONES/"I appreciate everything that I've seen since I've been down here. The people there wonderful. I hope to be down here for another 5 or 6 years. ALONG WITH GOOD FOOD, A FEW PEOPLE LEFT WITH PRIZES WHEN THEIR NAMES WERE DRAWN DURING A RAFFLE. MARK LEFT WITH A KNIT BLANKET, AND TONY LEFT WITH A 10 DOLLAR CHIK FIL A GIFT CARD. JONES/"It's a good thing.. people do need stuff like that. ROBERT MOORE RECIEVED A JOB FROM THE PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT PROGRAM. NOW HE'S BACK TO TELL HIS STORY BUT WANTS ALL THE FOCUS NOT ON HIM--BUT ON HIS FRIENDS. ROBERT MOORE/"It may seem like this is about me, its not even about me. This is about letting them know that you can do it and i'm a product from where you were. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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1/30 Les Snead Eufaula Boy - "It's college football. You certainly wouldn't think of a Eufaula, Ala., native doing something in the NFL. It's Auburn or Alabama, one of the two." But Les Snead was different as a kid. He followed college football teams, played backyard football - in full pads - with the boys along North Eufaula and North Randolph Streets. But he loved the pro game. "Way back then I used to skip school to watch the draft. Somewhere along the way I got this infatuation with this thing called drafting football players and I am fortunate enough to be able to do it now." Snead was a high school offensive lineman who signed with Troy and transferred to Auburn where he walked on and earned special teams playing time. He worked as a graduate assistant under Terry Bowden, made contacts with the pros scouting Auburn's talent and ended up working for the Jacksonville Jaguars in the mid-1990s. That led to a player personnel job with the Falcons. Seven years ago, he was hired as the Rams general manager Paul Mixon, who lives in Columbus and works at TSYS, and Les have been friends as long as either one of them can remember. "I feel like his timeline, with football inside of it, I somewhat watched it happen. From 8 years old to 48 years old, he's learning how to throw a football to he's hopefully going to hoist the Lombardi Trophy. It doesn't get any better than that for a kid from a small town of 15,000." Ask Snead how far he has come, and just laughs. "About two hours." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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1/31 Opelika Daycare Fraud - Thursday morning - executing 7 search warrants at the same time -investigators carted out filing cabinets, boxes of documents and other evidence from five Opelika daycares - First Steps on Corporate Drive, Columbus Parkway and Toomer Street as well as New Horizons along North 5th and 3rd street were searched. Agents also searched the homes of the owners - after allegations surfaced they may be defrauding public assistance programs - meant to help families who can't afford daycare. I would hope in the coming days and weeks we would be able to speak more specifically as to what the details of the allegations of fraud are an be able to say if and when we are going to be charging folks At the first of the year, agents say DHR uncovered suspicious activity and alerted the DA's office who began investigating with Opelika police. Agents won't say how many individuals are under investigation - or how long they believe the fraud's been happening. The do say the case involves a significant amount of tax payer dollars. On top of that - this involves depending on what exactly they are doing - means children and families who need this are not being able to take advance of these programs who really need access to them because of the fraud" We love kids , we have a passion for kids - we try to help them out as much as we possibly can help Aaron Wilkerson says he and his wife have owned New Horizons for 21 years. Wilkerson was telling News 3 the allegations aren't true -when his wife pulled him away. Can you tell us about the allegations? What's going on? I don't know and I'm not putting my face on tv to talk about it and neither of you - lets go come on now . And with that - The Wilkerson's walked back into their daycare - maintaining their innocence. Do you know anything about public assistance fraud - 6pm PKG-1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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WHAT MAY START AS A SMALL IDEA CAN GROW TO HAVE A LARGE IMPACT.

ORGANIZERS SAY THAT'S THE IDEA BEHIND THE ON THE TABLE ACTION GRANT PROGRAM KICK STARTING THIS YEAR.

KELLI PARKER, DIRECTOR OF GRANTS/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS, COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY: "We're excited about action grants because sometimes, people have an idea but not the resources and that's where we can come in and help them take that idea into action."

ANY OF THE MORE THAN 7-THOUSAND PEOPLE WHO TURNED OUT TO AROUND 200 ON THE TABLE LOCATIONS IN 20-18 CAN NOW APPLY FOR GRANTS RANGING FROM 100 TO 2-THOUSAND DOLLARS.

THERE'S 20-THOUSAND IN TOTAL TO HELP RESIDENTS TAKE THE THINGS THEY TALKED ABOUT AT ON THE TABLE AND TURN THEM INTO POSITIVE COMMUNITY CHANGES.

KELLI PARKER, DIRECTOR OF GRANTS/COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS, COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF THE CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY: "Maybe cleaning up a local playground, planting a community garden, or maybe you're trying to get your neighborhood together to do something to enhance that community right where you live. so just take whatever ideas you have, think about how you can turn them into action."

BEATRICE CASIANO FOUNDED "PASSION FOR LATINAS" AFTER HOSTING A 20-17 ON THE TABLE GROUP OF MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AT THE BRIDGE CHURCH.

BEATRICE CASIANO, FOUNDER, PASSION 4 LATINAS: "real conversions came about as far as ... and i said what am i going to do to change."

SHE NOW WORKS WITH STUDENTS ACROSS THE SCHOOL SYSTEM TO EMPOWER THEM AND TEACH THEM THE VALUES OF PURPOSE, PREPARATION, PROSPERITY, AND SERVING PEOPLE.

SHE HOPES OTHERS WILL TAKE THE NEW ACTION GRANTS AND USE THEM TO HELP COLUMBUS GROW.

BEATRICE CASIANO, FOUNDER, PASSION 4 LATINAS: "You never know what community you can impact, what person you can impact, and so just move from the fears and move forward and what your purpose is in life and your passion."

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THERE IS AN ESTIMATED FIVE HUNDRED GIRLS TRAFFICKED HERE IN GEORGIA PER MONTH. MARKETING TEACHER EMILY STYERS SAYS EVERY YEAR HER STUDENTS DO A P-R PROJECT AND THIS YEAR SHE WANTED TO FOCUS ON DOMESTIC MINOR SEX TRAFFICKING.

"There's kids at Northside there's no doubt in my mind that are being exploited and we need to bring awareness to it and notice the signs of it so that we can better be able to recognize it and that students can be able to recognize it with their friends so that we can bring an end to it."

CHEYANNE BROSAM WAS ONE OF THE STUDENTS WHO SPEARHEADED THE EVENT AND SAYS HER MISSION WAS TO INFORM STUDENTS THAT ANYONE CAN BE AFFECTED BY THIS.

"The week of events was basically just to bring awareness to the students of Northside of how bad sex trafficking really is and how young it starts out how long people are in it how long they live because people only live for like seven years at most before they're killed or kill themselves.

STYERS' STUDENTS STARTED THE WEEK OFF WITH A RED SAND PROJECT WHICH SIGNIFIES CHILDREN IN SEX TRAFFICKING WHO ARE OFTEN LOOKED OVER.

"Northside students created a human doll box which signifies how sex traffickers see children as a product.

ACCORDING TO GEORGIA CARES THE AVERAGE AGE OF SOMEONE IN A SEX TRADE IS FOURTEEN MAKING THEM A HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN.

The youngest age was nine and in someplaces, but nationally it's eleven and ninety one percent of the girls and boys that are trafficked are still enrolled in school. So I think that it really just broke my heart when I found that out and that I could be going to school with some of them."

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TIM MAGGART WROTE THIS SONG FOR HIS FRIEND SAMUEL RHODES, A MAN WHO HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO HELPING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES THROUGH HIS WARRIOR OUTREACH CENTER IN

FORTSON. MAGGART SAYS WHEN HE SPOKE WITH THE FAMILIES, THEY ALL SAY THAT RHODES IS "MORE THAN A WARRIOR" TO THEM.

"Several people told me that it meant they were still alive."

RHODES SAYS WHEN MAGGART ASKED HIM WHAT HE WANTS THE SONG TO BE ABOUT, HE SAID HE WANTED THE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO KNOW THAT HE IS IN THIS FIGHT WITH THEM.

"I just want them to know that within the last second before they put that gun in their mouth before they think about hanging themselves, before they think about overdosing they are more than a warrior and they're very important to me in my life."

MAGGART PARTNERED WITH ANOTHER SONGWRITER AND THE SONG "MORE THAN A WARRIOR" WAS PREFORMED AT OPERATION SONG. OPERATION SONG RETREATS ARE HELD THROUGHOUT THE U.S. AND SERVE AS A THERAPUETIC TOOL FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

"Operation song features hit songwriters that have created songs for veterans and their families that may be struggling."

MAGGART JOINED THE MILITARY AS A PRIVATE AND ENDED AS A CAPTAIN. AFTER THE MILITARY, MAGGART SAYS HE WAS NEVER ASKED TO GO TO COMBAT BUT WAS INSPIRED TO START WRITING SONGS FOR THOSE ON THE FRONT LINE.

"I have friends that have friends that have ten to eleven combat tours and it's sort of my way to give back and thank them.

THIS IS THE SIXTH YEAR WARRIOR OUTREACH RANCH WILL BE HOSTING OPERATION SONG. RHODES SAYS AFTERWARDS, VETERANS WILL FEEL AS IF THEY ARE MORE THAN A WARRIOR.

"It just makes them understand that yea we have a hard time sleeping at night but we have a reason too and we're just human anybody that's just human would have that.

VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL MEET ONE DAY WITH SONGWRITERS TO WRITE THE SONGS AND THE NEXT DAY THEY WILL PERFORM THEM. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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In October 2015, Eugene Striblin Jr. of Columbus was killed in an accident on this stretch of Phenix City Highway. Almost two years later, Richard Lee of Dothan met the same fate in the same place.

Rucker knew that the proper fencing on the bridge was have kept each of the men from plunging 50 feet to their deaths. And he knew it was going to happen again.

"It's not a matter of if it's going to take a life, but when."

At first, Alabama DOT told Rucker that there was not an issue. Rucker - and the nearly 1,400 people who signed a petition - knew better. And so do the thousands of bikers who regularly use the road as part of their route from Atlanta to the beach.

Rucker took a deliberate path to fixing the problem.

"Direct, determined and diplomatic are three words that I came up with . And that's exactly what you have to be."

The solution was approved in August, but it took six more months to work through the railroad red tape because it crossed a Norfolk-Southern rail line.

Rucker knows this will save lives.

"Prior to this, it would rank in the top 5 most dangerous roads in Alabama and in the Southeast. In another month, it won't rank at all - which is wonderful." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm
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PHIL, TERESA, IT LOOKED LIKE BUSINESS AS USUAL. I WATCHED A GROUP OF BASIC TRAINEES GOING THROUGH THE PACES IN THEIR SIXTH WEEK OF 15-WEEK PROGRAM.

THE STREP SITUATION AROSE ON FEB. 13 AND IN THE LAST WEEK FORT BENNING OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN WORKING TO CONTAIN IT AND FIGURE IT OUT.

THERE HAS ALSO BEEN A SOLDIER DIE, BUT FORT BENNING OFFICIALS HAVE NOT CONNECTED IT TO THE STREP CASES, ACCORDING TO A POST OFFICIAL. 6pm
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3.1	Black MOH Recipient at Benning	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/22, 2/23	90 seconds, 45 seconds	Edition, News 3 Nightwatch

FORT BENNING INVITED ONE OF THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN GREEN BERETS AND MEDAL OF HONOR RECEIPT SERGEANT MELVIN MORRIS TO INSPIRE SOLDIERS.

"The military is a way of life when you didn't have nothing else. My family didn't have much. Even when I was growing up no one ever talked about college, they didn't talk about staying in school because they knew that wasn't going to happen."

SERGEANT MELVIN MORRIS SERVED IN THE VIETNAM WAR. MORRIS LED AN ADVANCE ACROSS THE ENEMY LINES TO RETRIEVE A FALLEN SOLDIER...IN THE PROCESS HE WAS SHOT THREE TIMES. HE SAYS AFTER SERVING HE KNEW HE WANTED TO BE A VOICE FOR BLACK HISTORY AND THAT SPEAKING AT THE HOME OF INFANTRY IS A GREAT HONOR.

"This is our country just like anybody else and we are patriotic and believe it or not we do believe in sacrificing for whatever it takes for this country.

SERGEANT MORRIS RECEIVED HIS MEDAL OF HONOR IN 2014.. AN HONOR THAT MORRIS SAYS MANY AFRICAN AMERICAN SOLDIERS MISSED OUT ON. MORRIS SAYS IN HIS SPEECH THAT HE DID NOT SERVE FOR THE ACCOLADES HE SERVED TO HELP HIS COUNTRY. STAFF SERGEANT NATALIA HARTZFIELD SAYS SHE IS HAPPY TO BE PART OF THE MILITARY BECAUSE OF PEOPLE LIKE HIM

Even though we're African Americans we do matter in the military that was my biggest takeaway. Like he said, a lot of times back then we got looked over and it's good to see these days that we are being remembered and that he was honored.>

HARTZFIELD SAYS SHE WAS CHOSED TO BE PART OF THE PROGRAM BECAUSE SHE DID A PROJECT ON MORRIS WHEN SHE WAS IN SCHOOL. SHE SAYS MEETING ONE OF HER HEROES WAS A HUMBLING EXPERIENCE. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3.1	False Alarms at Stores	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/25, 2/26	90 seconds, 45 seconds	Edition, News 3 Nightwatch

SHOPPERS AND EMPLOYEES IN COLUMBUS PARK CROSSING WERE SCARED TO DEATH SATURDAY WHEN A MAN RAN ACROSS THE STRIP MALL SCREAMING ABOUT AN ACTIVE SHOOTER.

VICTORIA MCGINTY, MEN'S WAREHOUSE MANAGER: "I was extremely nervous, i was scared, i actually wanted to cry to be honest because i've never been in that position."

VICTORIA MCGINTY SAYS SHE WAS ON HER BREAK AT MEN'S WAREHOUSE WHEN THE SUSPECT, 19-YEAR-OLD COLLIN MINARD, RAN UP TO HER AND ORDERED HER BACK INSIDE AND TO LOCK THE DOORS.

VICTORIA MCGINTY, MEN'S WAREHOUSE MANAGER: "Thought it was real, he was dressed in all black. he had a badge, a little badge thing. we actually thought he was security."

THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORTS LUCKILY, TWO OFF-DUTY OFFICERS WERE NEARBY AND RESPONDED WITHIN MINUTES.

THEY SOON DISCOVERED THERE WAS NEVER AN ACTIVE SHOOTER -- THE WHOLE THING WAS AN ELABORATE PRANK.

MAJOR J-D HAWK SAYS ACTIVE SHOOTER SITUATIONS ARE NO LAUGHING MATTER.

MAJ. J.D. HAWK, COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT:

"Claiming an active shooter is the same thing as yelling fire in a theater. i mean, you're putting people in danger, people can get stampeded exiting, and that's why it's a violation of the law to do that."

MINARD NOW FACES 10 DISORDERLY CONDUCT CHARGES FOR EACH STORE POLICE SAY HE RAN INTO, PLUS AN ADDITIONAL RECKLESS CONDUCT CHARGE.

MAJOR HAWK SAYS THE CHARGES COULD HAVE BEEN EVEN MORE SEVERE IF THE SITUATION HADN'T BEEN HANDLED SO QUICKLY.

MAJ. J.D. HAWK, COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT: "In the event you had done that and somebody gets hurt or injured in that, because you put out that false public alarm, you're guilty of whatever happens to them."

MCGINTY SAYS SHE AND HER COWORKERS ARE STILL SHAKEN OVER THE TERROR THEY AND THE FAMILIES IN THE SHOPPING CENTER WENT THROUGH.

VICTORIA MCGINTY, MEN'S WAREHOUSE MANAGER: "I was livid, like, was this part of a senior prank, were you dared, but what made you say yes, i'm going to do this?"

MINARD HAS SINCE BONDED OUT OF THE MUSCOGEE COUNTY JAIL.

REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE IN COLUMBUS, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45

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3.1 Parking Problems 6 p.m., 11 p.m. 2/26, 2/27 90 seconds, 45 seconds

THE UPTOWN COLUMBUS AREA IS EXPANDING. UNFORTUNATELY, THAT MEANS FINDING A GOOD PARKING SPOT FEELS HARDER AND HARDER.

VISITORS SAY IT'S EVEN WORSE WHEN YOU HAVE TO DREAD GETTING A \$40 PARKING TICKET.

DUSTY RICHARDS, COLUMBUS RESIDENT: "you need to be punished if you break the law, to a degree, but that's kinda excessive for what's actually happening, ya know?"

TICKETS FOR VIOLATING THE ON STREET TWO HOUR PARKING LIMIT ALSO *DOUBLE TO 80 DOLLARS IF NOT PAID WITHIN 10 DAYS -- A POLICY APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL.

NEWS 3 OBTAINED A REPORT THAT SHOWS COLUMBUS COLLECTED MORE THAN 228 THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM AROUND 4 THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TICKETS GIVEN OUT OVER THE 20-18 FISCAL YEAR.

CITY LEADERS RESPOND TO CONCERNED CITIZEN COMPLAINTS, REMINDING THEM THERE ARE FREE PARKING GARAGES THAT GO UNUSED IN THE UPTOWN AREA.

ROSA EVANS, DIRECTOR, COLUMBUS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: "the rivercenter garage is the garage... generally it's not even half full."

EVELYN "MIMI" WOODSON, COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL - DISTRICT 7: "we're so accustomed to parking right in front of where we want to go ... you can't change that overnight."

ONE LOCAL RESTAURANT EMPLOYEE SAYS HE AND HIS FELLOW WORKERS KNOW ABOUT THE GARAGES -- BUT THEY'RE NOT ALWAYS A PERFECT FIX.

DREW LUNSFORD, RESTAURANT EMPLOYEE: "actually had to park my car in the garage ... either having the choice of getting a parking ticket or your car getting broken into."

BOTH THE TRANSPORATION DEPARTMENT AND CITY COUNCIL TELL NEWS 3 THEIR EARS ARE TO THE GROUND TO FIND SOLUTIONS.

BUILDING NEW GARAGES AND EXPANDING PROMOTIONS FOR THE EXISTING ONES ARE OPTIONS ON THE TABLE -- EVEN IF THAT MEANS LESS MONEY FOR THE CITY.

ROSA EVANS, DIRECTOR, COLUMBUS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION: "there won't be as many citations, because ... we don't want to issue citations, we prefer to have people to use the garage." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3.1	Tiger Transit Opening Statement	6 p.m., 11 2/27, p.m. 2/28	90 seconds, 45 seconds	<p>News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch</p> <p>2/27 Tiger Transit Opening Statement - <itemID>2</itemID><itemSlug>6P TIGER TRANSIT OPENING STATEMENTS-PKG- 2</itemSlug><objID>3263d4fb-d87f-431d-a40f- 4493760d3412</objID><mosiD>BC.PRECIS1.WRBL.MG.MO S</mosiD><mosAbstract></p>
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Prosecutors say 53-year-old Tony Patillo's own words - heard on the Tiger Transit bus video the morning of the attack - are proof - Patillo knew the AU student was intoxicated and passed out when he fondled her, raped her and forced her to perform oral sex -

brandon Hughes, Lee County District Attorney : he walks over to her - stands over her and turns back to Johnson and says Knocked out Huh, from that point forward that is his mindset, knocked-out-huh-and-he-proceeds-to-do-what-he-wants-to-do.

Jurors heard kendall Davis - an AU student at the time testify - she saw a man in a bus driver uniform - get off the bus with an intoxicated female -

Davis later called 911 when she saw the man had his pants down and was laying on top of the woman.

kendall Davis, witness : to me it looked like he was trying to get out of the situation cause it looked like he was trying to do something sexual to the student

When police arrived - the female was gone - but Patillo was nearby

Prosecutors told jurors the victim didn't realize the attack took place - until investigators identified her from video located her and showed her the tape.

Patillo's attorney told jurors the encounter was consensual - and afterwards the student was sober enough to share on social media - she was home safe

jon Taylor, Patillo defense attorney : She gets home and takes a snap chat and sends it to her new friends saying I am home and safe 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot :45

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THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY COOPERATION OR WHINSEC HELD ITS THIRD ANNUAL PANEL TO EMPOWER WOMEN IN TODAY'S GLOBAL SOCIETIES AND CULTURES WITH EXPERTS FROM A DIVERSE PANEL.

"For the students of one of our most important courses and that is the command in general's officers course and this panel discussion is intended to promote the role of women in matters of international peace in security."

THE PANELISTS ADDRESSED NOT REPLACING MEN BUT TO INCLUDE WOMEN IN MORE OF THE PLANNING AND DECISION MAKING. PETER MAROCCO WAS ON THE PANEL AND SAYS WOMEN ARE THE GRASSROOTS OF THEIR SOCIETIES AND THAT IS WHAT THE WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY ACT REFLECTS.

"In Venezuela you see many civil society organizations where women have much broader reach then men do. Women have a unique ability to reach out parts of the community that men otherwise are not recognizing that can actually mobilize efforts.

PRESIDENT TRUMP SIGNED THE WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY ACT IN TWENTY SEVENTEEN TO INCREASE WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE NEGOTIATION AND MEDIATION PROCESS. GIMENA SANCHEZ GARZOLI SPECIALIZES IN COLUMBIA'S HUMAN RIGHTS AND SAYS HER JOB IS FOCUSING ON THOSE WHO ARE THE HARDEST HIT BY HUMAN RIGHTS. ONE MAJOR ISSUE AGAINST WOMEN SHE SAYS IS SEXUAL VIOLENCE

The Fark gorillas which had about forty percent of their combatants being women alot of the women were recruited at a very young age and weren't able to leave the fark the fark had a policy of forced abortion if women became pregnant."

SANCHEZ GARZOLI SAYS THANKS TO THE PEACE ACCORD THESE ISSUES ARE BEING BROUGHT TO LIFE AND LEADERS ARE NOW WORKING TO COMBAT THIS. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON
WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

Crime

Channel	Issue	Time	Date	Duration	Title of Program	Narrative Description
3.1	Valley Murder	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/4, 1/5	90 seconds, 90 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/4 Valley Murder - Just for being stuck in the mud ... he lost his life by this man Bradley Hill is devastated over the shooting death of his best friend since childhood, 29-year old Justin Meadows. Hill says around 1:45 Friday morning, Meadows was dropping some electronics off at his Hill's home along country road 495 -where Hill stays with his mother and stepdad 50-year-old Patrick Templeton. he came out here late last night to see if I was home and give some of my stuff back and my stepdad is crazy and low down he is lowdown and crazy and he killed my best friend because he got stuck in the mud. Templeton's wife told police Meadows was leaving when he found out Hill wasn't home - but got stuck in the mud and was trying to get his car out. Police say the noise woke Templeton up - who confronted Meadows outside and the two got into a fistfight - Templeton went back into the residence got a .22 rifle came back out and into the yard and began shooting at meadows and Mr. meadows was hit once and pronounced dead on the scene. Police say Templeton may have been angry about Meadows tearing up his yard - Meadows was not armed.</p>
3.1	Troup County Dead Baby	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/4, 1/5	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/7 Troup Co Dead Baby - Boy Scout Road is an isolated, dead end road with just a few homes - located off New Franklin Road - in Northern Troup County. Sunday afternoon-around 3:20 - after seeing this watermelon print cooler on the side of the road near the woodline for a few days - a passerby decided to take a closer look. he individual that found the cooler opened the cooler up and did not expect to find what they found -they found a deceased infant , inside the cooler and called 911> Investigators say the baby is white and was not decomposed. The child appeared to be a few days or weeks old. Investigators say it doesn't appear the person who discarded the child went to a lot of effort to hide the body. The light blue cooler - with pictures of watermelon slices - that zips at the top, front and sides - was left in clear view. the race is white, we don't know they sex at this point investigators left the infant inside the cooler and did not want to disturb anything, we have an autopsy set up for tomorrow to give us the sex of the child Investigators hope the autopsy will also provide a cause of death, the child's age and other critical information in determining what happened to the infant and who's responsible. Meanwhile, investigators are reminding the community - their sheriff's office is just one place newborns can be dropped off safely - with a staff member. this was put out here at the Sheriff's Office as Georgia Safe Place for newborns act, it's a lot people know you can drop off a child at a fire department or a hospital, law enforcement buildings are also under that act now. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

1/9 Sex Trafficking Round Table - HUNDRED AND SIXTY NINE KIDS BUT SINCE THEN GEORGIA CARES IS PROVIDED CARE TO ALMOST DOUBLE THAT NUMBER. KNOWING THIS RHONDA DIAL OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ROUNDTABLE CHOSE TO HOLD A DISCUSSION WITH LOCAL LEADERS TO TACKLE THIS ISSUE. IN 2016... GEORGIA CARES REPORTED THAT THEY'RE PROVIDING SERVICES TO FOUR "Me myself personally, I'm just learning a lot about the sex trafficking here in Columbus, Muscogee county and what I have heard there is alot of it." DURING THE PRESENTATION MICAH'S PROMISE AND GEORGIA CARE ADDRESSED AS LONG AS THEIR IS A DEMAND SEX TRAFFICKERS WILL FIND A WAY TO SUPPLY. GEORGIA CARE SAYS ATLANTA IS THE THIRD LARGEST CITY FOR SEX TRAFFICKING IN AMERICA AND SAID THAT EVEN THOUGH IT'S AN HOUR AND A HALF WAY SEX TRAFFICKING IS A TRANSIENT ISSUE. "It's not only in a certain demographic, socioeconomic area or level in this community. You could have a party house in one of our higher end neighborhoods any home it could be hidden in plain sight." LOCAL LEADERS FROM TROUP COUNTY, CHATAHOOCHEE COUNTY, RUSSELL COUNTY WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE AND ADDED THEIR INPUT AFTER THE PRESENTATION. ROBYN WINDIBANK OF GEORGIA CARE SAYS HOMELESS CHILDREN ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE. "So children who are the most vulnerable people in the world are homeless here in Columbus I think that's shocking and I hope it empowers everyone to get out there and help." THERE IS AN UNFUNDED MANDATE TO INCLUDE SEX TRAFFICKING TRAINING TO EDUCATORS. GEORGIA CARES SAYS THEY ARE WORKING TO GET THIS TRAINING IN SCHOOLS. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3.1 Sex Trafficking Round Table 6 p.m. 1/9, 1/10 45 seconds

1/31 Opelika Daycare Fraud - Thursday morning -
 executing 7 search warrants at the same time -investigators
 carted out filing cabinets, boxes of documents and other
 evidence from five Opelika daycares - First Steps on
 Corporate Drive, Columbus Parkway and Toomer Street as
 well as New Horizons along North 5th and 3rd street were
 searched. Agents also searched the homes of the
 owners - after allegations surfaced they may be defrauding
 public assistance programs - meant to help families who can't
 afford daycare. I would hope in the coming days and weeks
 we would be able to speak more specifically as to what the
 details of the allegations of fraud are an be able to say if and
 when we are going to be charging folks At the first of the
 year, agents say DHR uncovered suspicious activity and
 alerted the DA's office who began investigating with Opelika
 police. Agents won't say how many individuals are under
 investigation - or how long they believe the fraud's been
 happening. The do say the case involves a significant
 amount of tax payer dollars. On top of that - this involves
 depending on what exactly they are doing - means children
 and families who need this are not being able to take advance
 of these programs who really need access to them because of
 the fraud" We love kids , we have a passion for kids - we try to
 help them out as much as we possibly can help Aaron
 Wilkerson says he and his wife have owned New Horizons for
 21 years. Wilkerson was telling News 3 the allegations aren't
 true -when his wife pulled him away. Can you tell us about the
 allegations? What's going on? I don't know and I'm not putting
 my face on tv to talk about it and neither of you - lets go come
 on now . And with that - The Wilkerson's walked back into
 their daycare - maintaining their innocence. Do you know
 anything about public assistance fraud - 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm
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Economy

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3.1	PC Housing Project	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/4, 1/5	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/4 Uptown Parking Project UPTOWN BUSINESS OWNERS ADDRESSED THEIR CONCERNS THIS MORNING TO JEREMY ACKLES, THE PARKING DIVISION MANAGER AT METRO. ACKLES SAYS THE POINT OF THIS MEETING WAS TO CREATE A DISCUSSION AND TO BRING AWARENESS TO WHAT THE CITY CAN DO TO HELP BUSINESS OWNERS AND CITIZENS MOVING FORWARD. "Be cognizant of where they are parking and pay attention to the signage on each block that tells you how long to park. From the time that you park you just need to realize I have this length of time to park."</p> <p>THERE ARE THREE PARKING GARAGES LOCATED IN UPTOWN COLUMBUS, BUT ONLY THE RIVER CENTER GARAGE IS FREE MONDAY-THROUGH SUNDAY. ASSOCIATE BROKER/REALTOR WITH WC BRADLEY REAL ESTATE SAYS THE ISSUE ISN'T PARKING IT'S NOTIFYING THOSE WHO ARE NOT FROM THE AREA ON WHERE FREE PUBLIC PARKING IS. We need better signage we need better information for visitors to the downtown area so they understand where is free parking, what is the parking rules here. I'd like to see some better signage or better information being put out into the public." THERE ARE SEVERAL MAPS LOCATED THROUGHOUT UPTOWN THEY DISPLAY WHERE PARKING GARAGES ARE BUT IT DOES NOT SAY HOW MUCH IT IS TO PARK OR WHAT TIMES THE GARAGES ARE AVAILABLE. PARKING SIGNS THROUGHOUT UPTOWN ALSO DO NOT HAVE INFORMATION ON VIOLATIONS. SCRIMP SHIRE WHO IS THE CO-OWNER OF NONIC SAYS THIS AFFECTS HOW MANY PEOPLE VISIT HIS RESTAURANT DUE TO FEAR OF GETTING A TICKET. "Give them a warning then maybe give them some information on the parking decks that are available and the level of those parking decks that are available instead of just giving a forty dollar fine because it doesn't really make people want to come back and visit Uptown." SCRIMP SHIRE SUGGESTED IN THE MEETING THAT THEIR BE PARKING METERS PUT IN PLACE SO CUSTOMERS COULD STAY AWARE OF HOW MUCH TIME THEY ARE SPENDING. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

1/25 Food Stamp Shutdown - Each month Alabama DHR distributes around 90 million dollars in federal snap benefits to 350-thousand households. The majority of people on the Snap Program who use it are children, disabled and the elderly. The average person receives \$120 a month for food Spear says the state worked with the USDA to fund SNAP families through February - now those benefits have to last they are not extra benefits it is just an early deposit put on your EBT Card Spear urges SNAP families to be conservative - saying many families mistakenly believe they have to spend their benefits before the end of the month. Spear says that's not true. your benefits are good on that card as long as you are using that card Families are being encouraged to shop wisely be careful what you buy, try to make it non-perishable foods - like canned goods and frozen foods Despite a recent deal to re-open the government temporarily - states are still awaiting word from the USDA on SNAP benefits for March. I feel hopeful the federal government will get this taken care of and March will be okay." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3.1 **Food Stamp Shutdown** 6 p.m., 11 p.m. 1/25, 1/26 90 seconds, 45 seconds

2/6 Valentines Day Scam - REMINDING VIEWERS IF YOU'RE PREPARING FOR VALENTINE'S DAY NEXT WEEK.. YOU SHOULD ALSO CHECK CHECK TO SEE IF YOUR ONLINE DATE IS A SCAMMER IN DISGUISE. THE LOCAL BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU ADVISES THAT IF YOU'RE MAKING AN ONLINE DATING PROFILE.. LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF PERSONAL INFORMATION, AND WATCH FOR RED FLAGS LIKE REFUSING TO VIDEO CHAT OR TALK ON THE PHONE.. AND BE *ESPECIALLY CONCERNED IF THEY ASK FOR MONEY. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45

2/7 Thespian Economic Impact -

For 11 years, theater kids from across the state have descended on Columbus for the Georgia Thespian Conference - high school drama at its best.

More than 5,300 students from more than 200 schools will participate in Thes Con, which engulfs downtown for three days. John Bush, senior Gainesville High School, is attending his fourth Georgia Thespians conference in Columbus.

They're here for a reason.

BUSH SOT 1

"Over 5,000 students come together and celebrate theater. We get to perform, showcase our shows, as well as audition for scholarships to colleges."

END BUSH SOT 1

The event is sponsored by Georgia Thespians, Columbus State University, Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau, Uptown Columbus Inc., Columbus Convention & Trade Center, RiverCenter for Performing Arts and Springer Opera House.

It is a powerful recruiting tool for CSU, Bush said.

BUSH SOT 2

"Thes Con almost provides this feeling of home. When you are around here, you get to interact with a bunch of thespians at a high school level. When you get to the college level, you are going to that next step, but you are familiar with the area, you are familiar with the theaters and you are familiar with the Springer. You are familiar with Bill Heard. This place provides a lot of comfort for students who may be considering CSU."

Norm Easterbrook is executive director and CEO of the RiverCenter for Performing Arts. He says this conference is an important showcase and economic development tool for the city. And the city is uniquely situated to host such an event.

EASTERBROOK SOT 1

"All of amenities we have for this conference are relatively close to the center of operation. You have the RiverCenter, which is the main venue for the event. It's very close to the Trade Center. It's close to our friends at the Springer Opera House and our friends at Columbus State University. You have such a variety of restaurants, coffee shops and stores." **6pm**
PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

**2/15 Look Inside KIA Plant -
NAT SOUND ANNOUNCING THE CAR AND APPLAUSE**

**KIA MOTORS ROLLED OUT THE RED CARPET,
INTRODUCING THE NEW 2020 TELLURIDE.**

"It's a great new expansion of our business not just within the North American region, but now throughout the world,"

SPEECH FROM GOVERNOR KEMP

**KIA MOTORS HOSTED A START OF PRODUCTION
CEREMONY WITH MANY SPECIAL GUESTS LOOKING ON.**

**.THE NEW TELLURIDE SEATS 8 PEOPLE, MAKING IT
THE LARGEST KIA SUV WITH EQUIPPED FEATURES.**

"Rain departure warning, active cruise control so all of these things can be incorporated into this product, which gives the customer a nice and safe ride,"

THE SUV HAS A MODERN CROSSOVER LOOK.

"It was conceived out in the California studios and then they took into account what the American consumer wanted out of this product"

NAT SOUND OF APPLAUSE

ONE WEST POINT NATIVE GAINED NOTORIETY STARRING IN A KIA MOTORS COMMERCIAL, WHICH AIRED DURING THE SUPERBOWL.

"They approached me at Walmart when I was talking to my cousin and they asked if I wanted to audition for a commercial and I said "Yes,"

POPE SAYS THIS MAY BE HIS FIRST TIME STARRING IN A COMMERCIAL BUT HOPEFULLY NOT THE LAST TIME YOU'LL SEE HIM ON SCREEN.

"I want to make movies,"

IN WEST POINT IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm
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3/11 Talbot And Harris Donation - AT SOUND

TORNADO RELIEF EFFORTS CONTINUE FOR FAMILIES IN NEED IN TALBOT COUNTY.

"We have a great amount of partners out here working and just being nice to us today and we are really excited about that,"

CHURCH GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS HAVE TRAVELED TO TALBOTTON TO LEND A HELPING HAND FOR RESIDENTS AFTER THE NATURAL DISASTER. CANNED GOODS, CLOTHES AND WATER WERE ALL DONATED TO BRING AID TO FAMILIES.

"We are here supporting the community we have worked with Talbot County Family Connection to ensure that we are here for those who have been affected by the tornado so we're just grateful to be here at this time,"

ONE OF THE MANY ITEMS DONATORS WERE GRACIOUS ENOUGH TO GIVE WERE SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR THE CHILDREN. BRUNDAGE SAYS IT WAS HIGHLY NEEDED BECAUSE PINE RIDGE ELEMENTARY IN ELLERSLIE WAS DEEPLY AFFECTED.

"We had 56 students to be impacted by the tornado and that was just one school so the relief efforts brought to you by Amerigroup and those partners will go a long way,

STARTING OVER IS NEVER EASY... ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAVE A FAMILY, BUT STAFF WORKERS AT THE RELIEF CENTERS ARE HOPING TO EASE THAT STRESS WITH NECESSITIES AND HELPFUL ADVICE CONCERNING A CHILD'S EDUCATION.

"You do have a right for your children to attend school in Harris County, there's School of Origin if you have to go outside of the district to find housing such as a hotel,"

3/19 Enterprise Donates TO Tornado Victims -

A TRACTOR TRAILER PACKED FULL OF FOOD, WATER, TOILETRIES, AND CLOSE TO 100-THOUSAND DOLLARS WORTH OF OTHER DONATIONS WHEELED ITS WAY INTO LEE COUNTY TUESDAY.

VOLUNTEERS HELPED UNLOAD THE MOUNTAINS OF GOODS GOING TOWARDS THOSE DEVASTATED BY THE MARCH 3 TORNADO.

SHERIFF JAY JONES, LEE COUNTY: "Words cannot express how thankful we are for so many to do so much for those in need."

IT'S ALL COURTESY OF THE GENEROUS ENTERPRISE ALABAMA COMMUNITY.

MAYOR WILLIAM COOPER MADE THE MORE THAN 120 MILE DRIVE WITH HIS TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS AND POLICE OFFICERS.

HE SAYS HIS PEOPLE WANTED TO PAY FORWARD GENEROSITY THEY RECEIVED WHEN A TORNADO RIPPED THROUGH ENTERPRISE IN 2007, KILLING 8 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.

MAYOR WILLIAM COOPER, ENTERPRISE: "Once you have gone through pain and sorrow, you understand when other people are going through it. this was one of the many reasons that we have tried to get together to try to help."

THE TRAILER FULL OF DONATIONS CAME TOGETHER IN JUST THREE DAYS OVER THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY WEEKEND.

A FEAT THAT SHOCKED AND HUMBLED YOUNG VOLUNTEERS WHO ALSO TRAVELED IN FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY TO SERVICE LEE COUNTY CITIZENS.

EMILY CAREY, NEW JERSEY RESIDENT, AMERICORPS NCCC VOLUNTEER: "Never thought i would see so many boxes or bins of things. It's exciting and it just shows the human spirit and just how ready and willing people are to help from anywhere."

SHERIFF JAY JONES, LEE COUNTY: "I'm not surprised because there's good folks down there in enterprise and of course this demonstrates that completely."

MIKHAELA STANDUP: "Volunteers tell me they've had enormous support in collecting things like cleaning supplies, sanitary items, and food -- those things that can help inside the home. however, they still need help collecting things that can help outside the home -- yard tools, carpenter's tools, anything that can help those folks rebuilding their homes devastated in lee county. reporting on your side in opelika, mikhaela singleton, wrbl news 3."

**3/20 Alabama Lottery Local Impact –
PHENIX CITY SIGN**

FOR SOME RESIDENTS LIVING IN ALABAMA, HAVING A LOTTERY COULD BE A GAME CHANGER FOR THE STATE.

"I think it would be for us to have a lottery over here like in Georgia,"

THIS WEEK SENATOR JIM MCCLENDON INTRODUCED TWO BILLS IN THE LEGISLATURE TO IMPLEMENT A 'CLEAN LOTTERY'. ONE BILL WOULD AMEND THE STATE'S CONSTITUTION CONCERNING A LOTTERY AND THE OTHER WOULD REGULATE IT.

"2016, we actually came into a special session and in the house we actually passed out a version of a lottery bill and went back up to the Senate we just never able to work between the two houses,"

IN GEORGIA EARNINGS FROM THE LOTTERY GO TOWARDS THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP AND THE PRE-K PROGRAM. MOST OF THE ALABAMIANS I'VE SPOKEN WITH SAY THEY DON'T SEE A PROBLEM WITH THAT IDEA.

"I think if it goes towards the right things it will be decent like school education our veterans like myself it will be worth it to have it,"

BLACKSHEAR SAYS LOTS OF ALABAMIANS WOULD OFTEN TRAVEL TO NEARBY STATES TO BUY A LOTTERY TICKET. EVENTUALLY, IT HURTS THE STATE IN THE LONG RUN.

"You see the amount of revenue that leaves the state, specifically my District and my state to go to Georgia,"

IF PASSED, PROFITS FROM THE LOTTERY WILL BE SPLIT 50/50 BETWEEN EDUCATION AND THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET, WHICH RUNS DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS IN THE STATE.

"It's a great thing and I think it will help as far as getting more money funded for the roads and it will be just good to have for the state of Alabama," 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/29 Sheriff Office Shortage -

THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING TO FILL EIGHTY SIX POSITIONS. ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE GIL SLOUCHICK SAYS THEY ARE SHORT OF FIRST RESPONDERS.

<"Our main purpose is answering 9-1-1 calls. We are the ones when you pick up the phone to call 9-1-1 we send our people to you. To have these positions filled. To have officers to be able to respond to 9-1-1 calls and respond in a timely manner is very important.">

SLOUCHICK SAYS THE STARTING SALARY FOR AN OFFICER IS AROUND FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO RECEIVE SEVERAL BONUSES AND BUSINESSES. SLOUCHICK SAYS THEY'RE HOPING WITH NEW HIRES THEY CAN RELIEVE SOME OF THEIR OFFICERS.

<"We have officers on the street who don't even have time to eat. They're going from call to call to call, they have to split beats sometimes which means they have to ride two beats instead of one.">

SLOUCHICK SAYS THAT THE OVERTIME IS OPTIONAL BUT SEVERAL OF HIS OFFICERS HAVE STEPPED UP TO FILL THE VOID.

<"Not only is C-P-D experiences shortages, I spoke with Muscogee County Sheriff Donna Tompkins who says they are experiencing the same problem as well.">

MUSCOGEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SAYS THEY HAVE NINETEEN CORRECTIONAL OFFICER POSITIONS TO FILL AND NINETEEN DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITIONS.

<"We need the people to make it a secure environment in our jail and in our courthouse I mean that's kind of the basic foundations of the courthouse, the court system and and even society being safe. I mean we want to fill these positions.">

TOMPKINS SAYS THIS ISN'T JUST A COLUMBUS PROBLEM BUT THERE IS A SHORTAGE IN LAW ENFORCEMENTS THROUGHOUT SEVERAL AREAS IN THE U.S. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

Education

Channel	Issue	Time	Date	Duration	Title of Program	Narrative Description
3.1	Jordan Clocking In	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/14, 1/15	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/14 Jordan Clocking In - JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE WELCOMING COLLEGE CAREER ACADEMY IN THE FALL. PRINCIPAL CRAIG FITTS SAYS THIS IS WILL BE AN ENTIRE SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION. We will be what they consider to be a wall to wall academy and they will have within the next four years multiple opportunities to complete different pathways in career technical education while also having through post secondary credits through Columbus Technical College and Columbus State University." FITTS SAYS THAT WITH THE DUAL ENROLLMENT CREDITS, EXTERNSHIP AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIE STUDENTS THAT WILL GRADUATE FROM JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE WHAT HE CALLS A FULL OPTION GRADUATE."It's going to give them full options upon graduation whether they want to go to a four year university, whether they want to go to a career technical college and enter directly into the workforce, if they want to go to the military they'll be fully prepared." MUSCOGEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT YOUTH COORDINATOR TIM VINSON IS BEHIND THE IDEA AND SAYS THAT THIS WILL GIVE STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET A JUMPSTART ON THEIR CAREERS.VINSON ALSO SAYS THAT THE FACILITIES WILL REFLECT WHAT THE INDUSTRIES TELL THEM IT NEEDS TO LOOK LIKE. "The labs and the facilities will look like a work force facility lab. So, for instance those students will be scanned in with their IDs to make sure their attending the classes." A FEW PROGRAMS THAT SUPPORT THIS ACADEMY ARE TYSYS, PIEDMONT REGIONAL COLUMBUS AND HECHT BURDESHAW</p> <p>ARCHITECTS.CEO OF HECHT BURDESHAW ARCHITECTS ROBERT KIDD SAYS AS AN EMPLOYER HE IS BEHIND THIS IDEA TO GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE THE OPPORTUNITIES THEY NEED TO MAKE THEM STAND OUT IN THE WORKFORCE HERE IN COLUMBUS. IN COLUBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE, ANJELICIA BRUTON, WRBL NEWS3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
3.1	Golden Apple Stowers	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/16, 1/17	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/16 Golden Apple Stowers - THIS WEEK WE TOOK OUR CAMERAS TO FORT BENNING TO HONOR OUR LATEST KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD RECIPIENT. SHE IS STOWERS ELEMENTARY SECOND GRADE TEACHER LORI BAILEY.. WHO ACCEPTED THE AWARD FROM NEWS 3'S CARLOS WILLIAMS. MS. BAILEY WAS NOMINATED BY TOM WIERZBICKI WHO WAS IMPRESSED BY THE WONDERFUL JOB BAILEY DOES WITH HER STUDENTS. BAILEY, A TROY UNIVERSITY GRADUATE AND A VETERAN OF TEN YEARS IN THE CLASSROOM, SAYS SHE ENJOYS HER JOB AND WAS PROUD TO RECEIVE THE GOLDEN APPLE. 6pm Vo/Sot :45,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

3.1	Golden Apple Truth Springs	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/23, 1/24	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/23 Golden Apple Truth Springs - THIS WEEK WE HONOR A 30 YEAR TEACHING VETERAN WITH OUR KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD. MEET TRUTH SPRING ACADEMY KINDERGARTEN TEACHER JACKIE SUMMERVILLE WHO ACCEPTED THE AWARD FROM NEWS 3'S CARLOS WILLIAMS. MS. SUMMERVILLE, A GEORGIA COLLEGE AND STATE UNIVERSITY GRAD, WAS NOMINATED BY SERENITY GLADDEN WHO TOLD US THAT THE TEACHER MAKES LEARNING FUN AND LOVES HER JOB. SUMMERVILLE, WHO COMPLETED GRADUATE STUDIES AT MERCER UNIVERSITY, WAS OVERJOYED TO RECEIVE THE HONOR. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	Golden Apple Smith	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/30, 1/31	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/30 Golden Apple Smith - SHE'S AWESOME-- SAYS THE PARENT WHO NOMINATED OUR LATEST KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD WINNER. PARENT KIANNA STRONG WAS REFERRING TO OLIVER ELEMENTARY KINDERGARTEN TEACHER KATIE SMITH SMITH, AN AUBURN UNIVERSITY GRAD, IS IN HER FIRST YEAR OF TEACHING BUT APPARENTLY HAS MADE AN IMPRESSION.. STRONG TOLD US THAT MS. SMITH HAS HELPED HER CHILD LEARN SO MUCH IN SUCH A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. SMITH WAS HONORED TO BE CHOSEN FOR THIS WEEK'S AWARD. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	Golden Apple Brown	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/6, 2/7	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/6 Golden Apple Brown - THIS WEEK, OUR CARLOS WILLIAMS PRESENTED THE KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD TO A TEACHER WITH FOUR YEARS IN THE CLASSROOM. MEET WOODALL CENTER SCHOOL TEACHER CARLOS BROWN WHO WAS SURPRISED WITH THE HONOR EARLIER THIS WEEK. BROWN--A GRADUATE OF GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN--WAS NOMINATED BY ANDREA DANIEL WHO DESCRIBED BROWN AS AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR WHO ALWAYS GOES THE EXTRA MILE. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	School Tax Vote	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/12, 2/13	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/12 School Tax Vote - no new taxes, these have been in existence for along time Lee County Administrator Roger Rendleman - is echoing calls from Lee County, Auburn and Opelika school leaders - asking voters to mark For Proposed taxation on their ballots at the polls Tuesday, the 19th. These are taxes that have helped this community become what it is, all three of the school systems Auburn city schools, Opelika School System and Lee county we have also with Auburn University her in the community is what draws people to this area. The ballot also asks voters to renew existing funding for juvenile law enforcement relative to neglected, delinquent and dependent children. Law requires voters to renew some of the taxes every 28 years - in Lee County alone, the taxes mean 12 million dollars a year for school children. Across the county - the renewal means financial viability for all schools and programs like counselors, coaches, art, music, career tech and AP courses. This is just a continuation of what is already in place and helps keep this community a great place to live." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	Golden Apple Morrison	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/13, 2/14	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/13 Golden Apple Morrison - THIS WEEK WE HONORED ANOTHER OUTSTANDING TEACHER WITH OUR KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD. WRBL'S CARLOS WILLIAMS SURPRISED ALLEN ELEMENTARY TEACHER RACHEL MORRISON WITH THE HONOR. MORRISON WAS NOMINATED BY CAREN OWEN. OWEN WHO TOLD US THAT MORRISON IS A PRIME EXAMPLE OF WHAT ALL TEACHERS SHOULD STRIVE TO BE. AND SHE SAYS THE VETERAN TEACHER HAS A WONDERFUL RELATIONSHIP WITH HER STUDENTS AND PEERS. MORRISON WAS PROUD TO RECEIVE THE AWARD. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
3.1	Lee Co School Tax Vote	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/19, 2/20	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/19 Lee Co School Tax Vote - TODAY LEE COUNTY VOTERS ARE VOTING IN A SPECIAL ELECTION ON WHETHER OR NOT TO REAUTHORIZE EXISTING PROPERTY TAXES. THE VOTE IS A PERIODIC RENEWAL OF THE TAXES. COUNTY, CITY AND, SCHOOL LEADERS SAY THE VOTE IS IMPORTANT FOR THE FUTURE OF LEE COUNTY SCHOOLS. THE EXISTING PROPERTY TAXES CURRENTLY HELP FUND THOSE LOCAL SCHOOLS. OFFICIALS IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEM ARE ENCOURAGING VOTERS TO RENEW THE TAX. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm vo/Sot:45</p>
3.1	Harris Co Bus Bill	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/19, 2/20	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/19 Harris Co Bus Bill - GEORGIA DRIVERS HAVE A NEW RULE THEY MUST ADHERE TO. "What we want to do is we want to protect 100% of our children 100% of the time," ON FRIDAY, GOVERNOR BRIAN KEMP SIGNED STATE BILL 25, WHICH REQUIRES DRIVERS TO STOP IN BOTH DIRECTIONS FOR A SCHOOL BUS ON A FOUR LANE PAVED ROAD WITH A PAINTED TURN LANE. PREVIOUSLY, DRIVERS COMING IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION DID NOT HAVE TO STOP. "It's a big deal, we usually have one or two incidents of drivers violating the stop arm a week," SHOW GRAPH OF NEW LAW THE NEW LAW STILL APPLIES WHEN DRIVING ON A TWO LANE ROAD. MOTORISTS THAT ARE BEHIND THE SCHOOL BUS AND GOING IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION MUST STOP. FOR DRIVERS TRAVELING ON A FOUR LANE DIVIDED ROAD WITH A BARRIER OR MEDIAN, YOU MUST STOP IF YOU'RE BEHIND THE BUS. BUT IF YOU'RE TRAVELING IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO STOP. "What we couldn't understand is "Why the law changed in the first place?" It's good to see it come back," THE LAW IS DESIGNED TO KEEP KIDS SAFE WHEN STEPPING INTO HARM'S WAY. THE HARRIS COUNTY DISTRICT SAYS THE NEW LAW IS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. "We appreciate the General Assembly coming together to protect our children. What we want to push out is if you see red, stop!" IN HARRIS COUNTY IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

3.1	Golden Apple Gardner	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/20, 2/21	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/20 Golden Apple Gardner - THIS WEEK WE HONOR ANOTHER OUTSTANDING TEACHER WITH THE PRESTIGIOUS KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD. NEWS'S 3'S CARLOS WILLIAMS PRESENTED THE HONOR THIS WEEK TO REESE ROAD LEADERSHIP ACADEMY 4TH GRADE TEACHER VIOLA GARDNER. GARDNER, A GRADUATE OF COLUMBUS COLLEGE NOW COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY, WAS NOMINATED BY A.J. CAMPBELL WHO CALLED THE TEACHER LOYAL AND DEDICATED. CAMPBELL ALSO TOLD US THAT GARDNER ALWAYS DEMONSTRATES EXCEPTIONAL SKILLS. GARDNER, A 30 YEAR TEACHING VETERAN WHO WILL RETIRE AFTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR, SAYS WINNING THE GOLDEN APPLE IS A TREMENDOUS HONOR. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	Northside Trafficking Award	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	12/14	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/21 Northside Trafficking Award - AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF PLANNING NORTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PRESENTED THEIR DOMESTIC MINOR SEX TRAFFICKING CAMPAIGN AT THE DECA STATE COMPETITION. "When we found out that we got first placed I was shocked. My jaw dropped and I was so surprised, but I was very grateful that we had done as well as we did.</p>
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TO QUALIFY FOR THE DECA COMPETITION THE STUDENTS HAD TO PREPARE A TWENTY PAGE MANUAL WHICH CONSISTS OF A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THEIR TOPIC AND HOW THEY SPREAD AWARENESS FOR THEIR ISSUE. THE NORTHSIDE STUDENTS CREATED AN INTERACTIVE PROJECT FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS WITH A WEEK OF EVENTS. CHEYANNE BROSAM SAYS ALTHOUGH THEY SPENT DAYS PRACTICING THEY WERE STILL NOT SURE WHAT TO EXPECT. "I was so nervous. I'm gonna be honest with you. I didn't know how we were gonna do and then Mackenzie's laptop almost died and we were freaking out but I went in their thinking I'm gonna go in like I already won and we did pretty good. BOBBI STARR WITH MICAH'S PROMISE PARTNERED WITH THE LADIES AND HELPED THEM WITH THE EVIDENCE-BASED MATERIAL FOR THEIR PRESENTATION. STARR SAYS SHE IS PROUD OF THE IMPACT THAT THESE GIRLS HAVE MADE OUTSIDE OF THEIR SCHOOLS. "We're super excited though because the girls had such an impact just in the community and people hearing about it. We've seen more people engaging because they see the younger generation showing that they care about what is going on." NORTHSIDE STUDENTS WON A TRIP TO DISNEY WORLD AND WILL ALSO COMPETE AT NATIONALS THE LAST WEEK OF APRIL. THE STUDENTS ALSO SAY THEY PLAN TO DO THIS PROJECT EVERY YEAR. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS3 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45

3.1	Golden Apple Johnson	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/27, 2/28	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	2/27 Golden Apple Johnson - WELL THIS WEEK OUR CAMERA CREW HEADED OUT TO GLENWOOD SCHOOL TO HONOR OUR LATEST GOLDEN APPLE AWARD WINNER. SHE IS TROY UNIVERSITY GRAD MELANIE JOHNSON WHO ACCEPTED THE AWARD FROM NEWS 3'S CARLOS WILLIAMS. JOHNSON, WHO RECEIVED HER MASTERS DEGREE FROM AUBURN UNIVERSITY, WAS NOMINATED BY A PARENT WHO EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR THE POSITIVE INFLUENCE MS. JOHNSON HAS HAD ON HER DAUGHTER. AND SHE LOVES THE FACT THAT MS. JOHNSON OPENLY PRAYS FOR HER STUDENTS AND LOVES THEM AS IF THEY WERE OWN. JOHNSON SAYS SHE WILL ALWAYS CHERISH THIS HONOR. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm Vo/Sot:45
3.1	Mayors Read To Kids	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/1, 3/2	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/1 Mayors Read To Kids - IN ASSIGNMENT EDUCATION TODAY.... COLUMBUS MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON CELEBRATED THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL READ ACROSS AMERICA DAY TODAY. IT'S ALSO KNOWN AS DR. SEUSS'S BIRTHDAY. THE W-C-BRADLEY COMPANY COORDINATED THE EVENT THROUGH PARTNERS IN EDUCATION. MAYOR HENDERSON READ TO PRE-K THROUGH FIFTH GRADE STUDENTS AT RIVER ROAD ELEMENTARY EARLIER THIS MORNING. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm Vo/Sot:45
3.1	Golden Apple Adamson	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/6, 3/7	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/6 Golden Apple Adamson - THIS WEEK OUR CREWS HEADED TO AUBURN TO HONOR OUR LATEST GOLDEN APPLE AWARD WINNER. SHE IS AUBURN EARLY EDUCATION CENTER TEACHER JENNY ADAMSON WHO ACCEPTED THE AWARD FROM NEWS THREE'S CARLOS WILLIAMS. ADAMSON'S NOMINATION LETTER MENTIONED THAT SHE TEACHES FROM THE HEART. THE AUBURN UNIVERSITY GRAD WAS THANKFUL TO RECEIVE THE AWARD. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm Vo/Sot:45
3.1	Golden Apple Jarrett	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/13, 3/14	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/13 Golden Apple Jarrett - OUR LATEST KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD RECIPIENT MADE SUCH AN IMPACT ON ONE OF HER FORMER STUDENTS THAT SHE NOMINATED HER FOR THE HONOR. TAMARA MORGAN SAYS CARVER HIGH SCHOOL LANGUAGE ARTS TEACHER ROXANNE JARRETT IS HEAVEN SENT. JARRETT, WHO ACCEPTED THE HONOR THIS WEEK FROM NEWS THREE'S CARLOS WILLIAMS, IS ALSO THE SCHOOL'S CHEERLEADING COACH. MORGAN SAYS JARRETT MADE SURE SHE GRADUATED AND WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND TO ASSURE HER SUCCESS. JARRETT, A COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY GRADUATE, WAS THRILLED TO RECEIVE THE HONOR. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm vo/Sot:45

3.1	Kayla Grimes return to school	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/18, 3/19	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>3/18 Kayla Grimes return To school - KAYLA GRIMES' FRIENDS, CLASSMATES, AND TEACHERS CHANTED "WE LOVE YOU, KAYLA" AS THEY WAITED FOR HER TO ARRIVE TO SANFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL. ONE OF GRIMES' FRIENDS, MICKIE STANFIELD, SAYS SHE HASN'T SEEN HER FRIEND IN WEEKS AND THAT SHE CAN'T WAIT TO CATCH UP WITH HER. "She was in all my classes. She was my only friend I really talked to except my other friends, but we would always joke around in class and I was always burst out laughing when she would say a funny joke."</p> <p>GRIMES ARRIVED AT SCHOOL WITH A POLICE ESCORT. HER FRIENDS CHEERED AND WERE IN TEARS WHEN THEY SAW HER. SOME GAVE HER HUGS FROM HER CAR AND WROTE LITTLE NOTES ON HER CASTS.</p> <p>"Kayla is a very special person. She never gives up on her life and I just wanna say you gotta be strong because she was built here for something."</p> <p>HER FRIENDS AND PRINCIPAL LURA REED SAY THEY WANTED TO LET HER KNOW THAT THEY ARE IN THIS WITH HER.</p> <p>"We're just overjoyed that she can come out and see all her friends, and see all of her classmates. It's just a great day here at Sanford Middle School, like I said it made us all feel good and we hope Kayla's feeling good."</p> <p>SPECIAL GUESTS FROM GRIMES' FAVORITE SCHOOL WERE THERE TO GREET HER. DEFENSIVE BACK FOR THE AUBURN FOOTBALL TEAM DERRICK BROWN SAYS HE WAS HAPPY HE COULD CELEBRATE THIS DAY WITH HER.</p> <p>"What we go through is nothing compared to what she's going through. I got a lot of respect for her and her family and I mean she's just a true testament to what we should all live up to be."</p> <p>IN LEE COUNTY AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	Golden Apple Ellis	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/20, 3/21	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>3/20 Golden Apple Ellis - FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME, A TEACHER AT THE NEW RAINEY MCCOLLERS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS HAS RECEIVED OUR KINETIC GOLDEN APPLE AWARD. HE'S TEACHER OLIVER ELLIS WHO ACCEPTED THE HONOR THIS WEEK FROM NEWS THREE'S CARLOS WILLIAMS. MR. ELLIS WAS NOMINATED BY NATERIA BIVENS WHO TOLD US THAT MR. ELLIS MOTIVATES AND INSPIRES ALL OF HIS STUDENTS. WE FOUND THAT TO BE TRUE DURING OUR VISIT AS WE WATCHED THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA GRAD INTERACT WITH HIS STUDENTS. OLIVER, WE'RE TOLD, CARRIES HIS JOB EVERYWHERE HE GOES. HE TALKED ABOUT WINNING THE AWARD. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm vo/Sot:45</p>
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3/27 CSU Diversity Forum - FOLKS ARE JUST STARTING TO TAKE THEIR SEATS FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE 10TH ANNUAL C-S-U DIVERSITY FORUM. COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY LEADERS SAY INCLUSION IS ONE OF THE SCHOOL'S CORE VALUES -- AND THAT INCLUDES TEACHING BOTH STUDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ABOUT DIVERSITY, EQUALITY, AND RESPECT. HUNDREDS OF ATTENDEES ARE HERE FROM KEY LOCAL COMPANIES LIKE AFLAC AND TSYS. MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON IS HERE AS WELL. ORGANIZERS SAY THE IDEA HERE IS TO CHALLENGE PARTICIPANTS TO OPEN THEIR MINDS TO THE VIEWPOINTS OF OTHERS, MAINTAIN FAIR HIRING PRACTICES, AND EQUALITY IN THE WORK ENVIRONMENT. THEY HOPE ATTENDEES WILL LEAVE BETTER EQUIPPED TO TREAT OTHERS WITH RESPECT AND FAIRNESS. 6pm Vo/Sot:45, 11pm vo/Sot:45

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Environmental/Land Use/Sprawl

Channel	Issue	Time	Date	Duration	Title of Program	Narrative Description
3.1	EPA Cleanup	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/8, 1/9	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/8 EPA Clean up - TERESA AND PHIL THIS FOURTEEN ACRE LOT THAT THE CITY IS TRYING TO GET A GRANT TO CONNECT RIVERDALE AND POTTERSDALE CEMETERIES FROM IS NOT ONLY THE FORMER STATE MARKET STREET BUT THE FORMER ANTIQUE MALL AND IN THE CORNER USED TO BE A TOW SHOP . THE LOT HAS BEEN CLOSED SINCE 2017 AND IF YOU TAKE A LOOK AT THIS VIDEO YOU CAN SEE THAT THE SPACE HAS BEEN USED AS A DUMPING AREA AND THAT IT HAS ALSO BEEN VANDILIZED. LAURA JOHNSON OF COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT SAYS WITH A PREVIOUS GRANT, THE CITY WAS ABLE TO DETERMINE THAT THE AREA WAS CONTAMINATED. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
3.1	Historic Westville Delay	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/8, 1/9	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/8 Historic Westville Delay - MORE THAN THREE MONTHS BEHIND SCHEDULE -- BUT BETTER LATE THAN NEVER. CREWS FINALLY ABLE TO HIT THE GROUND RUNNING TUESDAY ON THE FUTURE SITE OF HISTORIC WESTVILLE. THE LIVING MUSEUM WAS MEANT TO OPEN IN OCTOBER -- BUT COMPLICATIONS LAYING ROADS BETWEEN THE 19TH CENTURY BUILDINGS POSED A MAJOR PROBLEM. ALLEN SISTRUNK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HISTORIC WESTVILLE: "The roadway into historic westville was originally slated to be asphalt ... our red clay sand soils, the polymer will hold it together." UNFORTUNATELY, THE POLYMER REQUIRES OUTSIDE TEMPERATURES ABOVE 40 DEGREES AND COMPLETELY DRY GROUND -- MEANING NO RAIN IN AT LEAST 2 DAYS.</p> <p>ALLEN SISTRUNK: "We're racing against time now because we might get rain again late week." BUT DISPITE COMPLICATIONS -- HISTORIC WESTVILLE IS *ACTUALLY CLOSE TO 90 PERCENT DONE ACCORDING TO SISTRUNK. THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE WAS ACTUALLY BRINGING IN ALL THE BUILDINGS FROM THE MID TO LATE 1800'S TO RECREATE A PERIOD VILLAGE. ALLEN SISTRUNK: "All of these buildings sat on historic sites in georgia before they were relocated to historic westville." HE TELLS NEWS 3 THE NEXT STEP IS MAKING SURE THE EXPERIENCE IS AS REAL AS POSSIBLE FOR HISTORY BUFFS WHO ALREADY CAN'T WAIT TO VISIT COLUMBUS' NEXT TOURIST DESTINATION. ALLEN SISTRUNK: "The next challenge will be moving all the large furniture ... to make it feel like they've stepped back in history." HE ADDS ONCE HISTORIC WESTVILLE IS FINALLY OPEN, THERE WILL BE CLOSE TO 20 PEOPLE ON SITE EVERY DAY LIVING AND REENACTING LIFE IN THE 19TH CENTURY. REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE IN COLUMBUS, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

3.1	Harris Co Bridge Closing	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/9, 1/10	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/9 Harris Co Bridge Closing - NAT SOUND "BE GLAD WHEN THEY GET IT DONE, I DIDNT THINK THER WAS A PROBLEM WITH IT A bridge closure for some residents in Harris County will soon impact their daily commute. "The only thing that really affects us is the grass delivery using the big trucks. THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ANNOUNCED THEY WILL BE CLOSING A BRIDGE ON FORTUNE HOLE RD WHICH STANDS OVER THE PALMETTO CREEK.</p> <p>"We are trying to be proactive before there's a problem with the bridges we want to take care of them and get them into shape," THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HAS 6 BRIDGES THROUGHOUT WEST CENTRAL GEORGIA THAT NEEDS TO BE REFURBISHED OR REPLACED. THE BRIDGES ARE AT LEAST 60 YEARS OLD. "They just don't meet the safety and quality standards that we would require in a new bridge, in addition the amount of traffic on our roadways,""The bridge behind me is funded at 1.23 million dollars. The capacity levels on the bridge are one of the many reasons it needs replacing," "The heaviness of trucks nowadays. We want to make sure that any bridges we have for decades to come as able to have the capacities that we are expecting," CONSTRUCTION ON THE PROJECT WILL BEGIN IN MARCH AND WILL END SOMETIME IN THE SUMMER. ITS GOING TO TAKE A LOT OF WORK, BUT SOME RESIDENTS ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CHANGE"it will be nice to have a newer bridge down there over the creek and let the water flow and not build up as mush debris when water does get high," 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
						<p>1/14 Pothole Problems - "ITS AN ISSUE NO DRIVER WANTS TO COME ACROSS... "I'd be trying to dodge them. I would be about to hit another car, trying to dodge them," "THE LEVEL OF POTHOLES IN MUSCOGEE COUNTY ARE AT ITS PEAK...LEAVING MY DRIVERS FRUSTRATED ON ROADWAYS. "Winters are always difficult because we can't pave appropriately if its wet, if it's cold," *ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION, POTHOLE DAMAGE ON PERSONS VEHICLE CAN TOTAL TO \$3 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR...ITS A WORLDWIDE STATISTIC THAT NEEDS FIXING. "Whole lot of potholes on Buena Vista Road, off Forest Road and off Benning Road. I know we need to fix our roads and keep everyone safe," *THERE HAS BEEN SOME DELAY ON REPAIRING THE CITY'S ROADS WITH THE LOCAL ASPHALT PLANT CLOSING FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. "The plant shut down before Christmas before and didn't open until last week. So we had no access to asphalt," *PATRICIA SAYS ITS A LOT OF WORK FOR STREET CREWS TO REPATCH POTHOLES, BUT IF THE COMMUNITY GETS INVOLVED...OPERATIONS CAN GO A LOT SMOOTHER. "We will go out within 24 hours to check out any called potholes to see if it needs to be safed up and also to make sure it's ours. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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1/15 Michael 90 Days Later - AMERICUS CONTINUES TO STAND STRONG, AFTER HURRICANE MICHEAL SWEEP THROUGH THE CITY 3 MONTHS AGO. "Right now Sumter County is about back to normal. We've got pre disaster conditons going on and people are back to business as usual," THE NATURAL DISASTER WAS THE STRONGEST HURRICANE TO MAKE LANDFALL ALONG THE FLORIDA PANHANDLE, CAUSING EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO AREAS IN GEORGIA. "Did a lot of damage to trees, did a lot of damage to power poles, there were a few houses that were impacted," LUCKILY THE MASSIVE DEBRIS DIDN'T HIT BUSINESSES DOWNTOWN, POOLE SAYS THERE WAS A LOT OF DEBRIS REPORTED WITHIN NEIGHBORHOODS AND ALONG LAKE COLLINS. "The trees are so big out here it took cranes to actually get them off the houses," COVINGTON SAYS HURRICANE MICHAEL WASN'T FRIENDLY WITH HIM AND SOME NEARBY NEIGHBORS. "It was just devastating all in our neighborhood, trees down everywhere and and I had one of those large Georgia pines go right through the top of the house," EMERGENCY MAMAGEMENT SAYS MICHAEL PREVENTED CERTAIN ACTIONS FROM GOING IN EFFECT BECAUSE WINDS WERE GUSHING UP TO 75 MILES AN HOUR. "Just the safety of those high vehicles like the ambulances and firetrucks being out, we put our first reponders in danger," THAT'S WHY POOLE SAYS HIS TEAM CAME UP WITH A SOLID PLAN, TO BE BETTER PREPARED CALLING IT THE SUMTER COUNTY CITIZENS CORPS. "It's a volunteer organization and we're just working to organize the chaos," AND THOUGH THE DAMAGE HAS ALREADY BEEN DONE..... "There was nobody hurt and we can repair anything, but we can't bring back life" IN AMERICUS AND ON YOUR SIDE IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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1/17 Recycle Shortage - PHENIX CITY HAS TWO RECYCLING CENTERS. THE RECYCLING CENTERS ACCEPT STEEL CANS, NEWSPAPERS, CARDBOARD BUT WHEN ON THE PLASTIC COMPARTMENT THERE'S A SEAL OVER IT. KIMBERLY HOSKINS SAYS NOT HAVING PLASTIC AVAILABLE ANYWHERE TO BE RECYCLED IS A SERIOUS ISSUE.

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The fact that there's no place to even take that to in Phenix City. I mean this is pretty big town with a lot of people a lot of residents a lot plastic. I think that there should definitely be a way to recycle some of that,

HOSKINS SAYS RIGHT NOW SHE IS FINDING CREATIVE WAYS TO REUSE HER PLASTIC, BUT SOMETIMES IT ENDS UP IN THE TRASH. SHE SAYS IT WOULD BE MORE CONVIENT IF THE CITY WOULD JUST LOOK INTO CURBSIDE RECYCLING AND NOT JUST HAVING RECYCLING CENTERS.

"It's not convenient and cause there's no local recycling and I hate that because it takes up a lot of room in the trash can and I just feel like that's something that could be easily melted down and reused again and you know there's just so many places out there that are doing that it's a shame my trash can't be a part of it."

THE CITY NOTIFIED RESIDENTS THAT THEY WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO ACCEPT PLASTIC BECAUSE THERE VENDOR ALL AMERICAN RECYCLING COULD NOT FIND ANYONE TO PURCHASE THE PLASTIC. ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER, STEPHEN SMITH, SAYS WHILE THEY ARE LOOKING FOR NEW VENDORS RESIDENTS HAVE TO DEPOSIT WASTE WITH THEIR HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE. SMITH ALSO SAYS CURBSIDE PARKING IS NOT SOMETHING THEY ARE CONSIDERING.

"Picking up at curbside is not particularly environmentally friendly. By the time you look at the gas and the emissions of the vehicles, driving around the city and shipping it.

STEPHEN'S SAYS WHEN THE CITY DID DO CURBSIDE PICK UP ONLY 11% OF THE CITY PARTICIPATED AND THAT IT WAS NOT ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE TO CONTINUE. WITH THAT BEING SAID, SMITH SAYS HE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE RESIDENTS TO VOLUNTARILY USE THE RECYCLING CENTERS.

IN PHENIX CITY AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON
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3.1	Brown Ave Bridge Dedication	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/21, 1/22	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch
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1/21 Brown Ave Bridge Dedication - WOMAN: What time is it? CROWD: Drug-fightin' time! WOMAN: How long we gonna fight? CROWD: All night long! WOMAN: Up with hope -- CROWD: -- down with dope! CHANTS ROSE ACROSS THE BROWN AVENUE BRIDGE MONDAY AS LOCAL ACTIVISTS, POLITICAL LEADERS, AND NEIGHBORS JOINED TOGETHER TO GIVE IT A NEW NAME. THE ZELMA HENNESSEY MEMORIAL BRIDGE NOW HONORS THE LATE ACTIVIST WHO MARCHED THROUGH COLUMBUS STREETS FIGHTING DRUGS IN THE 60'S AND 70'S.

LIZZELLA DODSON, ZELMA HENNESSEY'S OLDEST DAUGHTER: "My mama was a woman of action ... and just run them out of the neighborhood. they were fearless." SEN. ED HARBISON, (D) COLUMBUS: "I actually walked with her and some of those marches around the city with police escorts, with people cursing you out and people spitting on you, but it did not deter her, and i was just inspired by that."

ORGANIZERS AND HENNESEY'S FRIENDS SAY THEY CHOSE DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY TO CELEBRATE HER TO HIGHLIGHT HENNESEY'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO COLUMBUS AS A FELLOW AFRICAN-AMERICAN ACTIVIST. PASTOR RALPH HULING, ST. JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH: "It's so easy to go along just to get along, but ms. zelma hennessey said no to that. no to drugs, no to our kids being destroyed, and so we just need more people like sister zelma hennessey right now."

THEY TELL NEWS 3 THEY MADE A POINT TO INVITE PARENTS WITH CHILDREN TO THE CEREMONY.

THEY HOPE THE CITY'S YOUTH WILL LEARN FROM ZELMA HENNESSEY *AND DR. KING'S LIVES WHILE THE OLDER GENERATION SETS SIMILAR EXAMPLES. PASTOR RALPH HULING, ST. JAMES BAPTIST CHURCH: "Those of us who know what's right, then we must stand for what's right, which is what ms. zelma hennessey did." LIZZELLA DODSON, ZELMA HENNESSEY'S OLDEST DAUGHTER: "It helped us to realize that anything that you want is worth fighting for." REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE IN COLUMBUS, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3.1	Shutdown Americus Farmers	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/22, 1/23	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch
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1/22 Shutdown Americus Farmers - THE FARMLANDS OUT IN AMERICUS MAY SEEM AS FAR REMOVED FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AS YOU CAN GET. BUT LOCAL FARMERS ARE STRUGGLING THROUGH THE PARTIAL SHUTDOWN. SOUTHERN GROWERS WERE DEVASTATED WHEN HURRICANE MICHAEL RIPPED UP MILLIONS OF CROPS BACK IN OCTOBER. NOW ALL PENDING APPLICATIONS FOR AID, ARE PUT ON HOLD.

ANNE RANDLE, UGA EXTENSION AGENT, MUSCOGEE COUNTY: "There's no recourse for getting assistance for recovery. so we had tornadoes just this weekend, and if any farmers were affected by that, they wouldn't be able to go into a u-s-d-a office and get support for something like that."

WES GASTON OF AMERICUS' GASTON FARMS SAYS A DISAPPOINTING COTTON CROP AFTER THE HURRICANE ALREADY MEANS TIMES ARE TOUGH.

THE ONLY SAVING GRACE -- AT LEAST THE SHUTDOWN IS DURING THE WINTER.

WES GASTON, GASTON FARMS: "We're not planting crops or having to spray or anything like that, but as corn planting comes in march, then that's whenever i'll start feeling the crunch if i cannot get my operating loan."

ANNE RANDLE, UGA EXTENSION AGENT, MUSCOGEE COUNTY: "We're not very far off from those early planting dates, we're not far off from potential drought, we're not far off from hurricane season. so when you consider all those things compounding, all that's just adding stress to an already stressful job."

MANY FARMERS LIKE GASTON ARE DEPENDENT ON U-S-D-A LOANS TO BUY THE SEEDS THEY NEED EVERY YEAR, ESPECIALLY WITH PROFITS AT A LOW FOLLOWING NATURAL DISASTERS.

GASTON SAYS HE JUST HOPES THE SHUTDOWN WILL END SOON AND EASE AT LEAST PART OF THE BURDEN.

WES GASTON, GASTON FARMS: "My father's farmed his whole life, we have folks at church that have farmed their whole lives, and they've gone through inflation, droughts, horrible prices in the 70's and 80's and made it through. so this is just another stepping stone and we can draw wisdom from them how to make it through." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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1/24 Farmers Crop In The Cold -TERESA AND PHIL, BACKYARD ORCHARD IN BARBOUR COUNTY SAYS THEY HAVEN'T STARTED PREPARATIONS YET BUT IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS THEY WILL NEED TO START WATCHING THEIR CROPS CLOSELY. BACKYARD ORCHARD GROWS STRAWBERRIES, BLUEBERRIES, PEACHES AND A VARIETY OF VEGETABLES. ALLIE CORCORAN IS THE MANAGER OF THE ORCHARD AND SAYS PEACHES THRIVE IN THE COLD WEATHER AND THEY WISH THE TEMPERATURES WERE ACTUALLY LOWER. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45

2/4 Talbotton Road Trash -

RESIDENTS SAY ALTHOUGH THEY PUT THEIR TRASH OUT EVERY WEEK... SOME AREAS DON'T SEE ANY PICK UP AT ALL.

BRANDON WALLIS SAYS HE'S NOTICED A PILE OF TRASH RIGHT OUTSIDE OF HIS HOME THAT ONLY SEEMS TO BE GETTING BIGGER.

So for about two weeks the trash has been building up on our street in the median as you can see.

WALLIS AND OTHER NEIGHBORS HAVE CALLED THREE ONE ONE TO COME PICK UP THE TRASH. NEIGHBOR WALLIS SAYS SOME TIMES THERE'S A QUICK TURN AROUND BUT IT VARIES.

Whenever someone calls 311 they should come out here and pick it up and call special enforcement, like I called Special Enforcement Friday and asked them to come out and they never came and never did anything the trash has just sat there all weekend.

TRASH CREWS DID STOP BY THIS MORNING AND LEFT A NOTE STATING TRASH MUST BE IN GARBAGE CANS OR BAGS. SUE SMITH LIVES ACROSS FROM THE PILE AND SAYS THIS ISSUE ISN'T BECAUSE OF PEOPLE IN HER COMMUNITY IT'S FROM PEOPLE DRIVING BY.

"We have scavengers and vandals who are coming through here all during the day and night picking up the trash bags that are all wrapped and all tied. Picking up those bags and ripping them open and going through stuff."

PATRICIA BIEGLER WITH THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SAYS ALTHOUGH IT IS LEGAL TO GO THROUGH TRASH ON PUBLIC PROPERTY... LEAVING A MESS IS NOT.

"We have laws that prohibit loitering, so if there is bagged trash on the right a way and someone goes through it and spreads it around they are in essence loitering and that is against the law."

BIEGLER SAYS THAT THE HOMEOWNER MUST BE NOTIFIED AND GO THROUGH CERTAIN GUIDELINES BEFORE LEGAL MEASURES CAN BE TAKEN. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON
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2/5 Beauregard Water Issue -

My bill is normally 35 dollars - it's 205 dollars.."

Faith Lake is one of several Beauregard Water Authority customers experiencing higher water bills, she says when she called to report a leak, they sent out a worker.

"He told me in front of my roommate it was a leak from where they had put in the new meter."

Lake expected a bill adjustment - but says the water authority refused - saying their worker never confirmed an instillation problem.

I have been out here tried a couple of different times to discuss it with them an I am told either pay my bill or they will turn it off or I can come to the board meeting and talk to them. Well, my bill is 205-dollars and its normally 35 dollars a month it is due on the 11th and the board does not meet until the 26th of this month, what am I supposed to do? Go without water for two weeks or come up when an extra \$170 to pay which I don't have and very few people do?

Lake ended up paying a plumber - \$75 dollars to fix the meter leak.

He said you got a new meter, and when they put the shut off valve on they wrenched it too tight and it split, causing it to run constantly and the water authority is telling me its on my side and I am responsible for it but the people they hired to put on the new meter are the ones that did it."

Show of hands who has leaky water?

Lake isn't alone -

Our meter was replaced in a standard way, we thought - and it had a leak and we got a bill for that month that was 240-dollars our bill for 15 years is always around 40 dollars a month. They said the would reduce our bill and our water would not be cut off until the adjustment happened - well our water was cut off so we had to pay the bill plus a \$50 dollar additional fee to have it reconnected

This weekend received a high water bill \$111- it's normally it's \$ 20 and some change.

Joshua Morrision shared this video of his meter leak.

This is a problem - this dude did not tighten the nut down when he changed my water meter and I am going to have to pay for this - I think not - Beauregard water authority- I've got you now for sure this is not my fault

Morrision - is a plumbing apprentice - and says Tuesday, the water authority agreed to adjust his bill - but he remains skeptical.

I got my bill it was \$180 dollars - it is normally 25 dollars

Kimberly Barron had the same issue - but unlike other customers - did receive a one time adjustment.

I took it I still had to pay 80 dollars, but I took it, (Elizabeth) Why do you think yours was adjusted and others weren't. (Barron) I don't know - I guess it depends on the mood they are in when you call I guess

News 3 tried to ask why some bills were adjusted and others were not.

We also tried to learn the sub-contractor's name hired to switch out the meters- but the Water Authority refused to issue a statement and called the Lee County Sheriff's Office as we met with residents.

(Sheriff Deputy: He's going to say something to y'all and whatever he says is what needs to happen. (Daniel Long?Maintenance Beauregard Water Authority) We need to keep our business running, so we are going to ask if you don't mind - if you don't have business here you need to leave. We do have a board meeting every 4th Tuesday of the month at 5:00 (Hill) Yea, but my bill is due on the 11th and your next meeting is on the 21st are you goign to cut off my water? (Elizabeth) So, what's going to happen at the Board Meeting (Long) All I can say is show up and you will see for yourself. (Elizabeth) What about the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 9, people here - what do you want to say for them. (Long) Like I said we have have a business we need to run."

With that - customers drained out - with zero answers - Lake feels like a hostage in her own town.

We live pay check to pay check you know we are on a budget and when your bill is five times as high, you get no compassion, no answers, nobody wants to help you so we had no choice but to reach out to you for some help

We just want fairness - we aren't asking for nothing - just the money back for something that wasn't our fault 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45

**2/7 Spiderweb Project -
NAT SOUND OF TRAIN RAILROAD CROSS**

THE ROADWAY PROJECT TO BUILD A 4 LANE BRIDGE OVER THE RAILROAD TRACKS ON BUENA VISTA ROAD IS IN HIGH GEAR.

"This has been a situation that has been ongoing in the community for the last 60 to 70 years whereas when the community grew it grew beyond the railroad tracks,"

NAT SOUND OF TRAIN

THE PROJECT IS A 40 MILLION DOLLAR PLAN FUNDED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND TSPLOST. THE PROJECT ITSELF WILL IMPROVE ROUTE CONDITIONS AROUND BUENA VISTA ROAD, ILLGES ROAD AND MARTIN LUTHER KING JUNIOR BOUELVARD.

"Back in 2012 the citizens of this community approved this project as part of their additional 1 cent sales tax that went into effect and in doing so we were charged with the idea of coming up wiith some kind of solution,"

BEFORE THE PROJECT GOT STARTED, JONES SAYS EXPERTS WERE CAREFUL CONSIDERING ALL POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS.

"Including going underneath the bridge, but we ran into some ground water problems that prohibited us from doing that and also drove the price up,"

"ON MOST GIVEN DAYS PEOPLE ARE TYPICALLY BEHIND THE WHEEL FOR HOURS, CAUSING MAJOR FRUSTRATION FOR RESIDENTS AND CITY WORKERS,"

"The emergency vehicle concerns of getting vehicles back across that and just the inconvenience more than anything else of having to do with the railroad,"

RIGHT NOW PROJECT MANAGERS MOVING FORWARD WITH THE PLAN COORDINATING ON UTILITY NEEDS AND WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH RAILROAD EXPERTS.

"Sometime this year we will be able to actually go bid on this and start construction. At a minimum there will be at least two years to complete this project"

REPORTING IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

2/12 City Council Trash Issues -

WHEN TRASH BECOMES ANOTHER PERSON'S TREASURE, IT CAN BE A GATEWAY INTO PERSONAL AND FINANCIAL DANGER.

THAT'S THE REASON LOCAL RESIDENT BRANDON WALLIS SAYS HE DECIDED TO TAKE HIS TRASH ISSUES STRAIGHT TO TUESDAY'S CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

BRANDON WALLIS, COLUMBUS RESIDENT: "Instead of being just a complaining citizen of Columbus, I wanted to be an active person and offer suggestions and solutions."

AS NEWS 3 HAS REPORTED, WALLIS AND SEVERAL CONCERNED CITIZENS COMPLAIN OF UNCOLLECTED TRASH OVERFLOWING INTO THE STREETS LIKE AT THIS INTERSECTION OF 29TH STREET AND BROADWAY.

THEY ALSO PROVIDED VIDEO OF PEOPLE CAUGHT RIFLING THROUGH TRASH BAGS, OFTEN LEAVING A MESS OF LITTER BEHIND.

WHILE SEARCHING FOR PROBLEM AREAS, NEWS 3 FOUND ONE MAN LOOTING THROUGH GARBAGE ON 44TH STREET.

MOS: "I didn't make a mess like that, I didn't do that."

REPORTER: "So this was already like this?"

MOS: "It was already like that, right."

THE ANONYMOUS MAN SAYS HE'S FOUND GOLF CLUBS, WEDDING RINGS, EVEN WINNING LOTTERY TICKETS WHEN GOING THROUGH THE GARBAGE.

HE ALSO CLAIMS COPS HAVE TOLD HIM HE'S WITHIN THE LAW.

MOS: "I don't steal nothin' and police has pulled up before on me doing this and they say there's really nothing they can do about it because i'm not stealing."

WALLIS SAYS HIS MAIN CONCERN IS THE DAMAGE THAT CAN BE DONE WITH DISCARDED PERSONAL INFORMATION.

BRANDON WALLIS, COLUMBUS RESIDENT: "That piece of mail that you thought wasn't really vauable can be valuable to somebody else to steal your identity."

WALLIS PLEADED WITH CITY COUNCIL TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND FOR STRICTER PENALTIES AGAINST ANYONE CAUGHT RIFLING THROUGH TRASH BAGS.

HE SAYS HE WAS PLEASD WITH THE ACTIVE RESPONSE FROM CITY COUNCILORS AND MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON.

HENDERSON SAYS HE'S CONCERNED WITH BOTH THE SECURITY RISKS *AND KEEPING COLUMBUS BEAUTIFUL.

MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON, COLUMBUS: "If you care about this city like we do, and i know there's a lot of folks that do, we need to do our part and if we see other folks doing the wrong thing, set the example."

COUNCIL PROPOSED HOLDING OPEN DIALOGUE SESSIONS WITH THE PUBLIC TO DISCOVER THE AREAS MOST TARGETED AND FIND RESPONSIBLE SOLUTIONS.

REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

2/18 Downtown Hotel Changes -

TERESA, PHIL, IF YOU LEFT THE MEETING EARLY YOU PROBABLY DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPEN.

AFTER VOTING 3-2 AGAINST ALLOWING THE DEMOLITION OF THE OLD RAYMOND ROWE WAREHOUSE WITHOUT SEEING PLANS FOR WHAT WOULD REPLACE IT, THE VOLUNTEER BOARD

REVERSED ITSELF AND VOTED UNANIMOUSLY TO MOVE FORWARD.

RINKESH PATEL, PRESIDENT OF COLUMBUS-BASED RAM HOTELS, SAYS THE ACTION WILL ALLOW THE COMPANY TO MOVE FORWARD WITH A PLANNED AC HOTEL BY MARRIOTT IN THE 1200 BLOCK OF BROADWAY. IT WILL BE IN THE OLD RAYMOND ROWE FURNITURE STORE ON THE WEST SIDE. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45

2/27 Marion Co Dirt Road Update -

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NAT SOUND OF CAR ON DIRT ROAD

FOR RESIDENTS IN LIVING IN MARION COUNTY, IT CAN BE A STRUGGLE TRAVELING ON DIRT ROADS.

"I live on a dirt road myself and when it rains it's murder to get up to my house sometimes"

BUT THANKS TO A VOTE MADE FROM MARION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THOSE DAYS WILL SOON BE OVER, PAVING UP TO 180 MILES OF ITS DIRT ROADS.

"I think it's good. It's something that's been needed for a long time because some of the roads have gotten into pretty bad shape."

BAXTER HAS BEEN LIVING IN MARION COUNTY FOR TWENTY THREE YEARS. WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE DIRT ROAD REMEDIATION PLAN HE HOPES TO SEE LESS ACCIDENTS ON THE ROADS.

"You had a hard time turning around, there's sand pits in the middle of the road, you would get stuck in,"

NAT SOUND

I SPOKE TO ONE LOCAL FARMER AND HE SAYS THE REMEDIATION PLAN WOULD BE A BIG WEIGHT LIFTED OFF HIS SHOULDERS UNDER WET CONDITIONS.

"I've been here for about twenty years and everytime it rains it's a big concern because we can't hardly get through here,"

THE PROJECT WILL BE FUNDED THROUGH THE SPECIAL PURPOSE LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX FOR TRANSPORTATION. THOUGH PAVING THE ROADS WILL TAKE FIVE YEARS TO COMPLETE, RESIDENTS ARE HAPPY TO SEE THEIR COMMUNITY IMPROVE.

"It's been a good thing for the town and the county and I'm looking to the improvement," 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/12 Grand Rapid Opening -

The apartment complex that opened this month is a major investment in downtown Columbus by the Bradley Company. In fact, it is the largest single real estate investment for the company, which has been in business since the 1880s.

Several years ago, The Bradley Company made a decision to move most of its real estate investments into downtown Columbus and just across the river in Phenix City.

Bradley Company Chairman John Turner says there was a reason they focused on downtown.

JOHN TURNER

"You see this kind of thing happening in communities across the country. And urban living has its own unique sets of benefits. I think no other community has it quite like we do here. We have historic. We have this brand new beautiful residential property. We got the river. We've got the riverwalk. We have got an historic downtown. It's just an amazing total package."

For years, those driving downtown redevelopment have worked toward making it a place to "live -- work - and play."

The downtown jobs are in place with TSYS, Synovus, Columbus State University and other major employers.

The play part is in place with the riverwalk, the urban whitewater rafting and kayak course and a large and varied restaurant selection.

It's the live part of that equation that has been lacking.

Before The Rapids opened there were about 215 rental units available downtown. There are less than 100 individually owned condominiums.

The 226 new apartments will more than double the rental units available downtown.

JOHN TURNER

"We had a development consultant come to Columbus, about 10 years ago. And he said, 'I really like what's happening in your downtown, but it's kind of fragile. Well, I don't think it's fragile anymore.'" 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/13 Talbot Clean Up and Power Update -

THE MASSIVE CLEANUP CONTINUES FOLLOWING LAST WEEK'S TORNADO IN TALBOT COUNTY.

"I had three trees hit three bedrooms so that's kind of where we are right now. I'm trying to get things straightened out and behind the house,"

RESIDENTIAL AREAS IN TALBOTTON WERE HEAVINGLY IMPACTED BY THE STORM. WORKERS WERE BUSY OUT HAULING TREES AND CAUTIONING DRIVERS TO SLOW DOWN.

"Georgia DOT is making progress as we speak they are currently working in getting the trees and all of the debris cleaned up."

OVER A DOZEN HOMES WERE DESTROYED... LEAVING MANY FAMILIES WORRIED ABOUT THEIR LIVING CONDITIONS. ANGELA CARTER SAYS SHE'S THANKFUL NO ONE WAS HURT IN TALBOT COUNTY. SHE IS HAPPY TO SEE THE COMMUNITY GAIN SO MUCH SUPPORT FROM KIND STRANGERS.

"A lot of church groups came in and helped us clear the yard and I appreciate that very much,"

WITH POWER ALREADY RESTORED AND THE COMMUNITY STICKING TOGETHER WITH CLEANUP EFFORTS, RESIDENTS HERE CAN SOON LOOK FORWARD TO THE REBUILDING PROCESS.

"Everyone has come together we had as many as 800 plus volunteers that came out last weekend so we are doing pretty well as we speak for today,"

3/13 Columbus Damaged Tree concern -

TEN DAYS AFTER TORNADOES DEVASTATED THE CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY, PROGRESS IS SLOW BUT STEADY CLEANING UP COLUMBUS.

MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON SAYS HE IS PROUD OF THE WAY HIS CITIZENS HAVE COME TOGETHER.

MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON, COLUMBUS: "EVERY TIME WE'RE TESTED IN COLUMBUS WE ACE THE TEST, THESE ARE GREAT FOLKS."

STILL THE QUESTION REMAINS -- HOW TO GET AHEAD OF THE STORMS AND THE DESTRUCTION DOWNED TREES CAN CAUSE TO HOMES, CITY STREETS, AND CITIZENS.

DOROTHY MCDANIEL, TREES COLUMBUS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: "We had this problem -- we knew columbus was losing tree canopy to due to storms and age and disease and development."

DOROTHY MCDANIEL WITH TREES COLUMBUS SAYS THE SOLUTION IS IDENTIFYING WHERE WEAKENED TREES ARE AND CARING FOR THEM BEFORE THEY BECOME A HAZARD.

THE CANOPY PROJECT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF COLUMBUS SO FAR HAS AROUND 3000 TREES FROM THE LAKEBOTTOM AREA ALONE ALREADY CATALOGUED.

DOROTHY MCDANIEL, TREES COLUMBUS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: "They've all been placed on a maintenance list, they have maintenance priorities. so some of those trees are going to be higher up on the list so if we know a storm is coming through, we know that there are certain trees we need to keep an eye on."

IN FACT, MCDANIEL SHOWED NEWS 3 ONE EXAMPLE OF THE CANOPY PROJECT SPOTTING TWO VERY OLD TREES THAT COULD HAVE CRASHED ACROSS CHEROKEE AVENUE, ONE OF THE CITY'S BUSIEST SURFACE STREETS.

DOROTHY MCDANIEL, TREES COLUMBUS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: "It was time for the tree to come down. it was identified as being a tree that needed to come down so we went ahead and replanted and had the two older trees removed."

MAYOR HENDERSON LIVES NOT TOO FAR FROM BIGGERS ROAD -- THE AREA HIT HARDEST BY THE MARCH 3 TORNADOES.

HE SAYS SEEING THE DEVASTATION UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL PROVIDED THE PERFECT PERSPECTIVE ON THE NEED TO KEEP COLUMBUS GROWING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON, COLUMBUS: "If we can get this out into all four corners of our community and across this county, it'll be a tremendous help to us when we're facing a possible storm like this."

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3/15 Lee Co Storm Scam Update -

LEE COUNTY OFFICIALS WARNED RESIDENTS THAT WHILE THEY ARE IN THE RECOVERY PHASE FROM THE MARCH THIRD TORNADOES THAT EVERYONE IS NOT THEIR FRIEND. LEE COUNTY SHERIFF JAY JONES SAYS HE AND HIS TEAM OF OTHER OFFICIALS ARE WORKING TO PREVENT ANY CASES OF HOME REPAIR FRAUD.

"We will be watching, we will be weary and we will be certainly doing anything to pursue those that come in to take advantage of individuals again at their greatest time of need."

DISTRICT ATTORNEY BRANDON HUGHES SAYS HOME REPAIR FRAUD IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE THAT WAS PASSED IN 2006 BY THE ALABAMA LEGISLATURE. HE ENSURES THAT HE AND HIS TEAM WILL NOT TAKE ANY CASES OF SCAMMING LIGHTLY.

"And home repair fraud the first defense is a misdemeanor but the second offense is a felony so we take this very seriously and a misdemeanor doesn't sound like much but you can get up to a year in jail and I can almost assure you if you come here and you do this stuff you're going to be spending time in jail and sheriff Jay Jones will tell you Jail is no fun."

A FEW OF THE POTENTIAL SCAMS THAT THE OFFICIALS ADDRESSED WERE RESIDENTS RECEIVING MESSAGES ON SOCIAL MEDIA, CALLS FROM PEOPLE PRETENDING TO BE CONTRACTORS, AND FAKE HOTEL DISCOUNTS. THE HOME BUILDERS LICENSURE BOARD WAS ALSO THERE AND THEY SAY IF ANYONE IS LOOKING TO VERIFY A CONTRACTOR THEY SHOULD ASK TO SEE THEIR LICENSE.

"They have a credit card sized license it has their name it has their file number it has their address and the current year on it this is probably one of the most important steps that you can take as far as protecting yourself against fraudulent contractors.

OFFICIALS SAY THAT IF ANYONE HAS ANY CONCERNS ABOUT CONTRACTORS, THEY CAN VISIT THE RESOURCE CENTERS IN SMITHS STATION AND OPELIKA. IN LEE COUNTY AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/21 rebuilding High Crime Area -

AROUND 2 O'CLOCK TODAY, A FEW LEADERS OF COLUMBUS AND SOME WITH A VESTED INTEREST IN THIS BUILDING WATCHED AS CATHY WILLIAMS AND OTHERS BROKE GROUND ON HIGHLAND TERRANCE.. THE OLD MERITAS MILL SITE WILL BE TRANSFORMED INTO A SENIOR LIVING HOME THAT WILL HOUSE ABOUT 105 UNITS.

MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON BELIEVES THIS WILL
EVENTUALLY DECREASE THE CRIME IN THE AREA. 6pm
Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/28 Stewart Co Farm Destroyed -
"What do you think when you ride down this road?"

"What all I've got to do."

Winston Morrison is a third-generation Stewart County farmer.
When March gives way to April, the pace on the farm picks up.

This spring, it's a different kind of pace. A March 3 tornado
ripped apart Morrison's home and a farm that has been built
piece by piece and barn by barn over more than six decades.

Most of it is gone.

Though they are not here anymore, Morrison knows exactly
what his Daddy and Pappy would be saying right now.

"Get stuff fixed and go to work. That's what they would be
saying, 'Get it fixed, go to work. Why don't get the old stuff out
and run it?'"

Morrison and his wife, Julie survive the storm huddled with
their three dogs in a hallway of their home on a piece of high
ground. They know they are fortunate.

It's been a lesson in life for someone who appreciates the
simple things the dirt has to offer.

"What I have said is you have a circle of friends and you pretty
much know the size of your circle of friends. And then when
something like this happens you find out that your circle of
friends is much larger you knew. And it just grows and grows,"

As he spends his days picking up the pieces – literally –
Morrison is looking ahead. He hopes to plant some of the 500
acres he was planning to plant this spring.

"We got plenty to do around here. If we can get the house built
back and get the shops built back this can be a rebuild year."

But when you are 57 years old and all you have ever done is
work the land, setbacks take on a different meaning.

"If I was a pessimist, would I be farming? I don't think so." 6pm
PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/29 Impact Of Recycling Center Closing -
ENVIRONMENTAL TRUCK

NATIONWIDE, THE RECYCLING INDUSTRY IS
CRUMBLING AFTER THEIR LARGEST IMPORTER, CHINA,
TOOK A TURN IN THEIR INTAKE.

"China has a huge impact on the recycling industries in the United States. A couple years ago they got real strict about what the U.S was bringing in that was contaminated. The United States took 30% of their recycling to China and that has been cut off completely,"

WITH NEWER AND STRICTER REGULATIONS IN PLACE, IT PUTS A STRAIN LOCALLY ON MANY RECYCLING FACILITIES.

"We got to educate our citizens about recycling the right way. We started this recycle right Opelika program,"

IN OPELIKA, WHITE SAYS A LARGE NUMBER OF RECYCLISTS ARE DROPPING OFF THEIR ITEMS IN GARBAGE BAGS. HE SAYS IT CREATES PROBLEMS IN THE LONG RUN.

Grocery bags from Target, Walmart any of those type of bags they clog up the equipment in that facility it's automated to a point and we cannot take those,"

RIGHT NOW THERE ARE FOUR DROP-OFF RECYCLING CENTERS IN OPELIKA. IN ORDER TO MONITOR AND CORRECT SIGNS OF CONTAMINATION THEY MUST MINIMIZE THOSE RESOURCES.

"We are going to be closing two of our sites our Covington site and our Floral Park site. we are going to keep the Jeter Avenue site open and also the 8th Avenue site.

IN OPELIKA IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG
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Family Values

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						<p>2/11 Operation Veteran Outreach -</p> <p>TIM MAGGART WROTE THIS SONG FOR HIS FRIEND SAMUEL RHODES, A MAN WHO HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO HELPING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES THROUGH HIS WARRIOR OUTREACH CENTER IN FORTSON. MAGGART SAYS WHEN HE SPOKE WITH THE FAMILIES, THEY ALL SAY THAT RHODES IS "MORE THAN A WARRIOR" TO THEM.</p> <p>"Several people told me that it meant they were still alive."</p> <p>RHODES SAYS WHEN MAGGART ASKED HIM WHAT HE WANTS THE SONG TO BE ABOUT, HE SAID HE WANTED THE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO KNOW THAT HE IS IN THIS FIGHT WITH THEM.</p> <p>"I just want them to know that within the last second before they put that gun in their mouth before they think about hanging themselves, before they think about overdosing they are more than a warrior and they're very important to me in my life."</p> <p>MAGGART PARTNERED WITH ANOTHER SONGWRITER AND THE SONG "MORE THAN A WARRIOR" WAS PERFORMED AT OPERATION SONG. OPERATION SONG RETREATS ARE HELD THROUGHOUT THE U.S. AND SERVE AS A THERAPEUTIC TOOL FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.</p> <p>"Operation song features hit songwriters that have created songs for veterans and their families that may be struggling."</p> <p>MAGGART JOINED THE MILITARY AS A PRIVATE AND ENDED AS A CAPTAIN. AFTER THE MILITARY, MAGGART SAYS HE WAS NEVER ASKED TO GO TO COMBAT BUT WAS INSPIRED TO START WRITING SONGS FOR THOSE ON THE FRONT LINE.</p> <p>"I have friends that have friends that have ten to eleven combat tours and it's sort of my way to give back and thank them.</p> <p>THIS IS THE SIXTH YEAR WARRIOR OUTREACH RANCH WILL BE HOSTING OPERATION SONG. RHODES SAYS AFTERWARDS, VETERANS WILL FEEL AS IF THEY ARE MORE THAN A WARRIOR.</p> <p>"It just makes them understand that yea we have a hard time sleeping at night but we have a reason too and we're just human anybody that's just human would have that.</p> <p>VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL MEET ONE DAY WITH SONGWRITERS TO WRITE THE SONGS AND THE NEXT DAY THEY WILL PERFORM THEM. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
						<p>2/13 New Sexual Assault Center Opens -</p> <p>IT'S BEEN CLOSE TO A YEAR, BUT THE SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER FINALLY HAS A NEW FACE JUST A STONE'S THROW FROM THE PIEDMONT COLUMBUS REGIONAL EMERGENCY ROOM.</p> <p>THE NEW BUILDING IS A SIGNIFICANT UPGRADE FROM THE SMALL UPSTAIRS OFFICE ON 21ST STREET THAT A FIRE DESTROYED IN MARCH 20-18.</p>

KARIN TYSON, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER: "It was difficult, kyle and i kinda sharing an office"

KYLE BAIR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER: "We had three rooms that served many purposes ... we don't have to shift around, we don't have to move clients."

BOTH WOMEN SAY THE GOAL IS TO HELP VICTIMS OF ASSAULT, RAPE AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FEEL AS COMFORTABLE AS POSSIBLE DURING THE HEALING PROCESS.

THE NEW OFFICE NOW HAS INDIVIDUAL OFFICES FOR EACH SURVIVOR ADVOCATE, A POLICE INTERVIEW ROOM, AND A TRAINING CENTER FOR COMMUNITY PROGRAMS.

BAIR SAYS SHE'S PARTICULARLY HAPPY TO FINALLY HAVE A FACILITY THAT'S HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE.

KYLE BAIR, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER: "Being able to serve those with disabilities was really important and it's something we we knew for several years that we needed to be able to do."

TYSON SAYS IT FEELS GOOD TO FINALLY BE ABLE TO EXPAND THE SUPPORT CENTER'S SERVICES -- SOMETHING SHE WISHES HAD BEEN AVAILABLE TO HER WHEN SHE WAS ASSAULTED AS A TEEN.

KARIN TYSON, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER: "I was 15 years old when it happened... a lot of not even understanding what exactly happened to me."

SHE HOPES TO CONTINUE THE SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER'S GOOD WORK CHANGING LIVES IN THE COLUMBUS COMMUNITY.

KARIN TYSON, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, SEXUAL ASSAULT SUPPORT CENTER: "I'm so glad to know ... wondering why this happened, why did it feel wrong, but i don't understand exactly what happened."

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2/14 V-Days Cards For hospice Patients -

ROBIN POWERS WITH NORTH COLUMBUS PUBLIC LIBRARY SAYS THE LIBRARY ALWAYS LOOK TO DO COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROJECTS AND THIS YEAR THEY WANTED TO SOMETHING SWEET FOR COLUMBUS HOSPICE.

We just had such an amazing response from the patrons that come here. Word spread quickly. There were people coming in doing two or three cards. We also had a church that came by and donating a whole bag of pre made cards for the patients. Everyone was just so enthusiastic and loved being able to help."

POWERS SAYS THEY WERE ABLE TO DONATE OVER TWO HUNDRED CARDS TO COLUMBUS HOSPICE. KATIE GREENE IS THE VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR WITH COLUMBUS HOSPICE AND SAYS THIS IS THE FIRST TIME A PUBLIC LIBRARY HAS EVER HELD AN EVENT FOR THEIR PATIENTS FOR VALENTINE'S DAY AND THAT IT MADE THE HOLIDAY VERY SPECIAL FOR THEM.

"They were very excited. Staff that delivered them out to the homes came back to tell us it was a very thoughtful gesture and they were very happy to be remembered on Valentine's Day.

GREENE SAYS THE CARDS WERE GIVEN TO IN HOUSE PATIENTS AND PATIENTS THAT RECEIVE SERVICES AT THEIR HOMES OR IN ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES. POWERS SAYS SHE WORKED WITH HOSPICE PATIENTS FOR FOUR YEARS AND IS HAPPY THAT THEY WERE WILLING TO BE THE LIBRARY'S VALENTINE.

"Everytime you could visit or anytime you can give and the families are amazing too so I'm happy that I can help.

IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON
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2/20 Sheriff Autism Awareness -

"It's life and death. literally life and death for some of these kiddos."

PEOPLE ON THE AUTISM SPECTRUM ARE KNOWN TO WANDER, GET LOST, AND RUN AWAY EASILY, LOCAL EXPERTS TELL NEWS 3.

THIS IS THE FIRST YEAR THE MUSCOGEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WILL SELL PUZZLE PIECES AT A DOLLAR A PIECE TO FUND PROJECT LIFESAVER.

THE INITIATIVE DISTRIBUTES TRACKABLE BRACELETS TO CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH AUTISM, AS WELL AS VETERANS WITH P-T-S-D OR ALZHEIMERS.

LT. KASEY TROMBLEY, MUSCOGEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: "Project lifesaver has a 100-percent find rate ... we have been able to find the child within 30 minutes."

IN FACT, LIEUTENANT TROMBLEY RECALLS ONE INCIDENT WHEN AN 8-YEAR-OLD BOY BOLTED FROM HIS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

THANKS TO HIS PROJECT LIFESAVER BRACELET, HE WAS FOUND SAFELY IN 22 MINUTES.

LT. KASEY TROMBLEY, MUSCOGEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: "By that time he had actually already crossed a major highway... we actually learned a lot from his situation."

DIANE POPE HEADS THE AUTISM HOPE CENTER, WHICH PARTNERS WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE PROJECT LIFE SAVER INITIATIVE.

SHE SAYS SHE AND 30 YEAR OLD SON STRUGGLED WITHOUT MANY RESOURCES WHEN HE WAS FIRST DIAGNOSED.

DIANE POPE, AUTISM HOPE CENTER: "At the beginning of our journey, there was no help... didn't really know much about it in those days."

BOTH SHE AND LT. TROMBLEY SAY THEY WANT TO RAISE AWARENESS AND GIVE AS MUCH AS THEY CAN TO KEEP THOSE IN NEED OUT OF HARM'S WAY.

DIANE POPE, AUTISM HOPE CENTER: "Frankly, i wouldn't want anyone to go through what we went through."

LT. KASEY TROMBLEY, MUSCOGEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE: "with autism they say the puzzle pieces don't quite fit in the brain. and so we're working together to make those puzzle pieces fit for the kids."

REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3.6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45

2/21 Northside Trafficking Award -

AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF PLANNING NORTHSIDE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PRESENTED THEIR DOMESTIC MINOR SEX TRAFFICKING CAMPAIGN AT THE DECA STATE COMPETITION.

"When we found out that we got first placed I was shocked. My jaw dropped and I was so surprised, but I was very grateful that we had done as well as we did."

TO QUALIFY FOR THE DECA COMPETITION THE STUDENTS HAD TO PREPARE A TWENTY PAGE MANUAL WHICH CONSISTS OF A DETAILED ANALYSIS OF THEIR TOPIC AND HOW THEY SPREAD AWARENESS FOR THEIR ISSUE. THE NORTHSIDE STUDENTS CREATED AN INTERACTIVE PROJECT FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS WITH A WEEK OF EVENTS. CHEYANNE BROSAM SAYS ALTHOUGH THEY SPENT DAYS PRACTICING THEY WERE STILL NOT SURE WHAT TO EXPECT.

"I was so nervous. I'm gonna be honest with you. I didn't know how we were gonna do and then Mackenzie's laptop almost died and we were freaking out but I went in their thinking I'm gonna go in like I already won and we did pretty good."

BOBBI STARR WITH MICAH'S PROMISE PARTNERED WITH THE LADIES AND HELPED THEM WITH THE EVIDENCE-BASED MATERIAL FOR THEIR PRESENTATION. STARR SAYS SHE IS PROUD OF THE IMPACT THAT THESE GIRLS HAVE MADE OUTSIDE OF THEIR SCHOOLS.

"We're super excited though because the girls had such an impact just in the community and people hearing about it. We've seen more people engaging because they see the younger generation showing that they care about what is going on."

NORTHSIDE STUDENTS WON A TRIP TO DISNEY WORLD AND WILL ALSO COMPETE AT NATIONALS THE LAST WEEK OF APRIL. THE STUDENTS ALSO SAY THEY PLAN TO DO THIS PROJECT EVERY YEAR.

**IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON
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2/22 New Hope Center - THE HARRIS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT IS EXTENDING ITS SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY WITH THEIR NEW HOPE CENTER.

"To have a center that can be a hub of resources for our families, a confidential site for them to come and obtain the resources it's a very rewarding feeling."

WORKERS AT THE HOPE CENTER STARTED MOVING INTO THEIR NEW HOME 3 MONTHS AGO. THE BUILDING USED TO BE A DAYCARE, BUT NOW, IT'S A SAFE HAVEN FOR MANY STUDENTS.

"We offer food and clothing resources we connect families to resources such as Department Family Children Services or mental health support."

ADULTS CAN ALSO BENEFIT FROM THE FROM THE NEW FACILITY.

"We started an initiative called Parent University where we offer classes to parents such as mental health, bullying and social media safety."

BRUNDAGE HAS BEEN EXTENDING HER SERVICES FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS AND NOTICED A LOT MORE STUDENTS NEED HELP IN TERMS OF PEER PRESSURE OR ABUSE. SHE BELIEVES IN THE YEARS TO COME THE HOPE CENTER WILL LIVE UP TO ITS ACRONYM, "HELPING OUR PEOPLE EXCEL,"

"We would like to branch out to offer classes to our teens in subjects such as teen dating violence, social media safety, sexting and the consequences of sending certain pictures over the internet."

**IN HARRIS COUNTY IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3.
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2/25 Woman Hygiene Bill - A BILL TO ELIMINATE THE SALES TAX ON FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS IN GEORGIA HAS MADE ITS WAY TO THE STATE CAPITAL.

"It is an issue that is important to people and hopefully we will be able to get it passed this year."

ACCORDING TO AN ARTICLE FROM U.S. NEWS AND WORLD REPORT, THE GEORGIA TAX RATE ON MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS IS 4%. STATE REPRESENTATIVE DEBBIE BUCKNER INTRODUCED HOUSE BILL NUMBER 8 LAST MONTH, WHICH WILL LIST FEMININE HYGEINE PRODUCTS AS A MEDICAL DEVICE UNDER GEORGIA LAW.

"By doing that because they are designated as medical devices by the Federal Drug Administration that will enable them to be eligible for a sales tax ememption,"

OVER 10,000 GEORGIA WOMEN ALREADY SHOWN SUPPORT FOR THE BILL, SIGNING A PETITION TO MAKE THIS A STATE LAW.

"Young people nowadays are missing school because they don't have the supplies they need. There were concerns about issues of women that were incarcerated not having the supplies that they need,"

BUCKNER INTRODUCED A SIMILAR BILL LAST YEAR, BUT UNFORTUNATELY IT WENT NOWHERE. SHE'S BELIEVES THIS YEAR THE OUTCOME WILL CHANGE FROM THE STRONG SUPPORT THE BILL HAS BEEN GETTING.

"It is in the Ways and Means Committee. We are hopeful it will come up before the sub committee this week and hopeful that it had a hearing last year we will be able to get it out of committee this year,"

IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE IM JEMEISHA LYDE
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3/6 Crosses For Victims -

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST CHURCH WAS KIND ENOUGH TO ALLOW GREG ZANIS TO PUT THESE HANDMADE 23 CROSSES ON THEIR PROPERTY TO HONOR THE VICTIMS OF THE DEADLY TORNADO IN LEE COUNTY.

ZANIS, RUNS HIS OWN BUSINESS CALLED CROSSES FOR LOSSES. HE SAYS HE STARTED ON SUNDY NIGHT AND AFTER 36 HOURS OF HARD LABOR HE GOT IN HIS TRUCK AND DROVE FROM ILLINOIS TO LEE COUNTY.

ALL OUT OF THE KINDNESS OF HIS HEART..
6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3/12 Beauregard Students Return -

STANDUP INTRO: "It's been a little over a week since the tornado ripped through Lee County. Today, students and teachers had to move forward by returning to school after that tornado took the lives of 23 individuals.

A SYMBOL OF PEACE WAS HIGH IN THE SKY THIS MORNING AS BEAUREGARD STUDENTS HEADED BACK TO SCHOOL.

NAT POP "Good Morning"

SMILES AND HUGS WERE GIVEN TO THE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS BEFORE STARTING THEIR LESSONS IN THE CLASSROOM.

"Everybody is wanting to take care of our school and help our children so we just have a strong faculty and we're going to be strong together,"

THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WERE IN GOOD SPIRITS BEING REUNITED WITH CLOSE TEACHERS AND FRIENDS.

"Getting the kids back into school and back on the routine we think that will be the best kind of medicine for them,"

NAT SOUND

A CANDLELIGHT VIGIL WAS HELD FOR THE TORNADO VICTIMS PRIOR TO GOING BACK TO SCHOOL. COUNSELORS WERE AVAILABLE FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO NEEDED EXTRA SUPPORT.

"If they come in and they don't want to talk some may not want to talk, then we are not going to encourage them to do that, it will be on their timing."

THE TORNADO LEFT A HOLE IN MANY PEOPLES HEARTS. THOUGH THE TRAGEDY CAN NEVER BE CHANGED, THE COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO STAND BEAUREGARD STRONG.

"It's brought our community together and we are just going to move forward it's going to take a little while, but we will get there.

REPORTING IN BEAUREGARD I'M JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45

3/19 T-Shirts For Tornado Victims -

<do not fear, I am with you; Do not be anxious, I am your God. I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand. I feel like it related to this incident a lot and it was a powerful verse to use to help people get through it >

Leaning on their faith - Beauregard High School senior, Kirstyn McMullan, Skyler Jenkins and Kendall Mitchell wanted to help after the deadly tornados.

<I have to do something, volunteer do something and we know Providence was packed with volunteers and I didn't want to get in the way - so we thought what's another way we can help skyler and I came up with the idea of doing a tshirt and we knew Kendall can help with this>

48 hours after the storm, with their t-shirt idea in mind, the friends visited Victory Designs in Opelika.

<they gave us an estimate for 300 shirts and we were like, we are not going to sell 300 shirts>

The girls did sell three hundred shirts - the first day.

how many did you sell? we sold 1,166 .

Soon, the girls will donate more than 16-thousand dollars - to Providence Baptist Church.

I know they will get it to the families that really need it

Victory Designs tells News 3, they were so impressed with girls desire to help, they joined in. Victory Designs invested 4,000 dollars in the shirts, online ordering and shipping, plus employees worked - on their own time - to maximize donation dollars.

<I feel so grateful for what this community was able to do, it makes me feel ecstatic 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45

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3.1	Emancipation Service	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/1, 1/2	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	1/1 Emancipation Service - NAT SOUND OF CHOIR THE RELEVATION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH IS "It's a way to start the new year off and it's a way to give credit to Emancipation Proclamation which was established January 1 1863 which freed approximately 3.5 million slaves," CELEBRATING LIVES HISTORY OF THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION. GUESTS SUNG UPLIFTING MUSIC AND GAVE PRAISE REMEMBERING HOW FAR THEY HAVE COME. DOZENS OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ALSO CAME OUT TO COMMEMERATE THE TURNING POINT OF THE ABOLISHMENT OF SLAVERY. "Lest, we forget from whence we have come, but we don't want to forget and to remember. Much work has been done, but there's much more work to do," NAT SOUND OF MUSIC SPEAKERS TOUCHED ON KEY ELEMENTS THAT GUESTS CAN TAKE PART IN THE YEAR 2019. "Most of the messages center around progress, centered around what areas of improvements that need to take place in the community," NAT SOUND THE INTERDENOMINATIONAL MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE HAS OBSERVED THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION SERVICE IN COLUMBUS FOR ALMOST 50 YEARS. AND EACH YEAR IT KEEPS GETTING BIGGER AND BETTER. "It's just not one particular church, but we go from church to church to share the wealth of the service, 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45
3.1	Columbus Newest City Councilor	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/2, 1/3	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	1/2 Columbus Newest City Councilor - TERESA - IT'S BEEN SEVEN MONTHS SINCE THE MAY ELECTIONS DECLARED CHAR-MAIN CRAB THE NEXT COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVE -- TAKING OVER FOR MIKE BAKER.-BUT SHE'S ACTUALLY KNOWN SHE'D HAVE THE JOB FOR JUST A LITTLE LESS THAN A YEAR. CRAB RAN UNCONTESTED FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS IN EARLY 20-18. SHE TELLS ME SHE'S TAKEN THIS TIME TO GO TO EVERY SINGLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING, WATCH, AND LEARN SO BY MONDAY -- SHE'LL BE AHEAD OF THE GAME. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45

1/7 Past Mayor On Henderson - HYDRICK: Bob Hydrick: I think his best asset is he gets along with people very well. And his dad talked about it in the video in that he understands the necessity of listening to people and getting advice from people and getting advice from a number of different directions. But you ultimately have to make your own decisions. PETERS: Bobby Peters: But he is also invested in the community. He's got a beautiful family and they are all invested in the community. He's smart. He's compassionate. I think he has all the attributes of a great mayor. I know there is no challenge that he and the council can not solve. PODYASHEFF: Bob Poydasheff: It is how are we going to raise funds. Are we going to have a minimum alternative real estate tax as former mayor Hydrick and I floated around? How are we going to do that, maintain the infrastructure, the police raises, public safety, etcetera. WETHERINGTON: Jim Wetherington: Skip knows how to manage money. And he'll do a good job. He's going to have a lot of challenges facing him. It has been said by some of the former mayors about infrastructure and that's going to be a problem. Public safety is going to be an issue he's going to have to address. You need more officers on the streets to make Columbus a safe city. TOMLINSON: Teresa Tomlinson: He's got a handle on all of it. That's one of the reasons I am so happy today because I get to leave things in such capable hands. I can leave without the burden of fear that things might go in the wrong direction. We are in such great hands and I know things are going to go well. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45

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Past Mayors
on
Henderson

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						<p>1/7 Central Focus Of New City Leaders - JUDGE MCBRIDE: "... You will support the constitution of the united states, so help you god?" ALL: "I do." JUDGE MCBRIDE: "Congratulations, thank you." AMONG THOSE KEY COLUMBUS ISSUES ON THE 20-19 AGENDA -- FINALLY CHOOSING A PLAN OF ACTION ADDRESSING A GOVERNMENT CENTER STILL IN A SAD STATE OF DISREPAIR. JUDY THOMAS, COLUMBUS DISTRICT 9 AT-LARGE REPRESENTATIVE: "Our plan was to right away get the courtrooms that were closed back in business and then to take a breath and say okay, now where do we go from here." SEVERAL PIPE PROBLEMS THROUGHOUT 20-18 FLOODED THE UPPER FLOORS WHICH REMAIN CLOSED AND UNUSABLE. INSPECTIONS ALSO REVEALED THE GOVERNMENT CENTER, NOW PUSHING MORE THAN 40 YEARS OLD, IS NOT UP TO FIRE CODE AND SUFFERS SERIOUS SECURITY ISSUES. BRUCE HUFF, COLUMBUS DISTRICT 3 REPRESENTATIVE: "My district at this point is split. we're waiting for the numbers to come back to say is it more feasible economically to gut it out, renovate, or to tear it all down and build a new building." INCUMBENTS RETURNING TO COUNCIL SAY THE YEAR WILL BEGIN DISCUSSING WITH ARCHITECTURAL EXPERTS TO LAY OUT A GAME PLAN THAT WILL SATISFY ALL THE COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT NEEDS -- WHILE ALSO GIVING CITIZENS INPUT. <EVELYN "MIMI" WOODSON, COLUMBUS DISTRICT 7 REPRESENTATIVE:</p>

3.1	Central Focus of New City Leaders	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/7, 1/8	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>"We will do whatever is best for our taxpayers to ensure that we watch their money right but yet, put the safety of our employees, and our citizens, in place." THE ONLY NEW FACE TO COUNCIL SWORN IN MONDAY, DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVE CHARMAINE CRABB, SAYS SHE IS EAGER TO LEND THE VETERANS A FRESH PERSPECTIVE. CHARMAINE CRABB, COLUMBUS DISTRICT 5 REPRESENTATIVE: "My ideas are open ... or they may say no, that's not going to work because of this, this." REPORTING ON YOUR SIDE IN COLUMBUS, MIKHAELA SINGLETON, WRBL NEWS 3.6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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3.1	Henderson First Council	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	1/8, 1/9	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>1/8 Henderson First Council - THE NEW YEAR BRINGS NEW CHANGES AT THE COLUMBUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING. NEW MAYOR, SKIP HENDERSON SPENT HIS FIRST DAY, AFTER BEING SWORN INTO OFFICE, ADDRESSING KEY ELEMENTS ON THE PUBLIC AGENDA. "I know most of these folks sitting at the table, tremendous amount of respect for them and the skill set they put to bear on their constituents so it's going to be a little bit different," SERVING AS MAYOR, HENDERSON SAYS HE ALREADY HAS A FEW IDEAS IN MIND TO BETTER SERVE THE COMMUNITY, LIKE REVITLIZING THE CITY'S BUILDINGS AND ROADS. "It's no secret, it's been that way ever since two years after the recession of 08' and and it's the demand on ever shrinking resources," HENDERSON SAYS IT'S A PLAN THAT CAN HELP GROW THE CITY'S POPULATION, HE ALSO SAYS HE'S EXCITED TO GET MORE INVOLVED WITH THE CITY'S FINANCES. "We are going to look at the citizens and see what services are necessary, what services they want and some maybe we've outgrown the need for them," AND WHILE SERVING AS MAYOR, HENDERSON IS FULLY COMMITTED FOCUSING ON ISSUES SURROUNDING THE CITY'S CRIME RATE. HE PROJECTS BY REACHING TO YOUNGER INDIVIDUALS, THERE CAN BE A DRAMATIC DECREASE. "It's not so easy; We gotta be able to identify where they are and we got to able to provide consistent mentoring and tutoring to try and help them understand they got options. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>
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1/9 Sex Trafficking Round Table - HUNDRED AND SIXTY NINE KIDS BUT SINCE THEN GEORGIA CARES IS PROVIDED CARE TO ALMOST DOUBLE THAT NUMBER. KNOWING THIS RHONDA DIAL OF THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ROUNDTABLE CHOSE TO HOLD A DISCUSSION WITH LOCAL LEADERS TO TACKLE THIS ISSUE. IN 2016... GEORGIA CARES REPORTED THAT THEY'RE PROVIDING SERVICES TO FOUR "Me myself personally, I'm just learning a lot about the sex trafficking here in Columbus, Muscogee county and what I have heard there is alot of it." DURING THE PRESENTATION MICAH'S PROMISE AND GEORGIA CARE ADDRESSED AS LONG AS THEIR IS A DEMAND SEX TRAFFICKERS WILL FIND A WAY TO SUPPLY. GEORGIA CARE SAYS ATLANTA IS THE THIRD LARGEST CITY FOR SEX TRAFFICKING IN AMERICA AND SAID THAT EVEN THOUGH IT'S AN HOUR AND A HALF WAY SEX TRAFFICKING IS A TRANSIENT ISSUE. "It's not only in a certain demographic, socioeconomic area or level in this community. You could have a party house in one of our higher end neighborhoods any home it could be hidden in plain sight." LOCAL LEADERS FROM TROUP COUNTY, CHATAHOOCHEE COUNTY, RUSSELL COUNTY WERE ALSO IN ATTENDANCE AND ADDED THEIR INPUT AFTER THE PRESENTATION. ROBYN WINDIBANK OF GEORGIA CARE SAYS HOMELESS CHILDREN ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE. "So children who are the most vulnerable people in the world are homeless here in Columbus I think that's shocking and I hope it empowers everyone to get out there and help." THERE IS AN UNFUNDED MANDATE TO INCLUDE SEX TRAFFICKING TRAINING TO EDUCATORS. GEORGIA CARES SAYS THEY ARE WORKING TO GET THIS TRAINING IN SCHOOLS. 6pm PKG 1:30, 11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3.1 **Sex Trafficking Round Table** 6 p.m. 1/9, 1/10 45 seconds

3/1 Fort Benning Award Ceremony -

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3.1 **Fort Benning Award Ceremony** 6 p.m., 11 p.m. 3/1, 3/2 45 seconds, 45 seconds

FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVEN CANDIDATES COMPETED FOR THEIR EXPERT INFANTRY BADGE BUT ONLY EIGHTY NINE SOLDIERS GRADUATED. SERGEANT MAJOR TRAVIS QUADE SAYS THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT IS A DREAM COME TRUE FOR MOST SOLDIERS.

"Everyone of us started basic training here on Fort Benning at Sand Hill. Everyone out here and now they've earned their EIB where they started their army experience at."

LIEUTENANT BRIAN JOHNSON SAW OTHER SOLDIERS WITH THE BADGE.

HE WANTED ONE TOO.

"First and foremost this says something about the individual that they're able to wear this. It's an honor and you know what it's a difficult task that you have to work hard to achieve that. That person is held to a higher standard then say regular infantry men. This says this man is an expert at his job and he's capable of doing an achieving more."

JOHNSON SAYS THIS WAS HIS SECOND TIME COMPETING FOR HIS EXPERTS INFANTRY BADGE AND THAT QUITTING WAS NEVER AN OPTION FOR HIM.

"Times may have been as physically challenging today during the twelve miler guys were running off not optimal sleep. After they leave here leave the lanes they go home they study it's easy to continue the drive on because you know what you're going to earn there right at the very end you get this beautiful blue rifle on your chest forever.

THE COMPETITION CONSISTS OF FORTY NINE PUSH UPS, FIFTY NINE SIT UPS, AND A FOUR MILES RUN UNDER THIRTY TWO MINUTES FOR THE FIRST DAY THEN GOES INTO THREE DAYS OF INDIVIDUAL TESTING AND A TWELVE MILE RUCK MARCH WHERE JOHNSON WAS ALSO AWARDED FOR FINISHING FIRST.

IN FORT BENNING AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3/11 Coach Pearl At Beuauegard -

3.1 Coach Pearl at
Beauegard 6 p.m., 11 p.m. 3/11, 3/12 90 seconds, 45 seconds

IT'S BEEN A WEEK SINCE THE DEVASTATING TORNADO HIT LEE COUNTY AND STOLE PIECES OF PEOPLE'S LIVES...

BEAUEGARD SCHOOLS CLOSED IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE STORM.

TEACHERS RETURNED TO BEAUEGARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO GEAR UP FOR THE REST OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

AND FOUND AUBURN UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL COACH BRUCE PEARL WAITING FOR THEM WITH BARBECUE.

BRUCE PEARL/"Right now, we need to figure out what we can do now and we really have to plan on what's to be done in the future. that's why we're here.

BEAUEGARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LOST ONE PERSON IN JANUARY.. ANOTHER IN FEBRUARY.. BUT THREE STUDENTS WERE KILLED DURING THE TORNADO: 6-YEAR-OLD AJ HERNANDEZ, 8-YEAR-OLD MYKALA WALDON AND 10-YEAR-OLD TAYLOR THORNTON

COACH PEARL SAYS IT WASN'T A DIFFICULT DECISION AT ALL TO COME HERE.

PEARL/"After basketball season, and next month and next year.. this community needs to be rebuilt and they still need love.

COACH PEARL, A FEW PLAYERS AND HIS STAFF WILL BE BACK TUESDAY TO HELP MOTIVATE THE STUDENTS TO CONTINUE THE YEAR STRONG.

PEARL/"The kids come in at 7.. we want to be here to welcome them..

BECAUSE LIFE.. IS BIGGER THAN BASKETBALL.

IN LEE COUNTY AND ON YOUR SIDE, SHAQUIRA SPEAKS, WRBL NEWS THREE.

6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3.1 Tornado
Stories of
Blown
Possessions 6 p.m., 11 p.m. 3/13, 3/14 90 seconds, 45 seconds

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3/13 Tornado Stories Of Blown Possessions - Bob Jeswald: "It could be trees. Sometimes we have seen debris from a house roof."

Cody Nickle: "We have a debris ball on the radar."

The March 3 tornadoes that struck East Alabama and West Georgia, blew pieces of people's lives across two states

Literally.

One Fortson woman spent Sunday afternoon walking her property. She was surprised at what she found.

RACHEL CRUMBLEY

Harris County resident

"I started finding shingles. Then I found some siding. I found little scraps of Styrofoam. Then I found a tiny, tiny, little piece of paper."

When she found the piece of a Direct TV bill, it stopped her cold. The name on the top was Marshall L. Grimes. She Googled it.

"So, I pulled my phone out of my pocket and I put the name in and I put AL for Alabama. Then the WRBL story came up and he was one of the victims."

Crumbley is not the only one who has found items that were blown away.

A banner for the Lee County Flea Market blew from Smiths Station to Hamilton, Ga. An Opelika check was found in Macon, Georgia.

There is a science behind it.

News 3's chief meteorologist

"Updrafts of these tornadoes carry debris for miles away. You understand that when a tornado moves, it does not take any path like a road would. It's going to take the shortest route in nautical miles. The updraft is so strong, debris can be carried in some cases hundreds of miles away."

Crumbley just wants people who live in the storm's path to do what she did - check their yards for items.

"I just want them to go out and take the time to go look for things. They can concentrate their efforts on their lots or their land to find items to return to these people and help them find any semblance of connection to the people who may have perished." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

**Pine Ridge
Tornado
Relief**

6 p.m., 11 p.m.

3/14, 3/15

90 seconds, 45
seconds

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New 3 Midday, **3/14 Pine Ridge Tornado Relief -**
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THEY SAY THE BIGGEST THANK YOU'S CAN COME IN
THE SMALLEST SIZES....

NAT POP KIDS VIDEO "THANK YOU"

HERE AT PINE RIDGE ELEMENTARY THOUGHTFUL GESTURES ARE BEING RECOGNIZED. TEACHERS AND STAFF ARE HELPING THEIR COMMUNITY BY FORMING CLEANUP GROUPS IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE TORNADO.

"I had several teachers who called me to check on me to see how things were going and the first question was "How can we help?"

MORE THAN 30 STUDENTS AT PINE RIDGE ELEMENTARY HAD THEIR HOMES DAMAGED BY THE STORM. TEACHERS CAME TOGETHER CLEARING ROADS AND DEBRIS IN THEIR KIDS' NEIGHBORHOODS.

"That was our first day off and they went to yards and were working that very day,"
RELIEF EFFORTS DIDN'T STOP THERE!

"Our counselor sent out an email to teachers to ask around in their classrooms and ask parents what do they need and how can we help and that's how we got a handle on the list on who needs what,"

"They just really came together and brought things these families needed in order to get back to normal life as normal as possible after that happened,"

ONE BY ONE FOOD AND HYGIENIC ITEMS CAME POURING INTO THE SCHOOL.

"We had some donations of flash lights, donations of tarps and then we targeted those who actually needed it,"

THE TORNADO MAY HAVE LEFT BEHIND EXTENSIVE DAMAGE, BUT THE COMMUNITY IS STANDING TOGETHER TO BRING BACK JOY AFTER THE STORM.

"It is very uplifting to have a community that's been devastated or impacted so strongly by one particular incident,"

"I'm just grateful to work in a school and county that loves each other and comes together to support each other,"

REPORTING IN ELLERSLIE IM JEMEISHA LYDE WRBL
NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3.1 State of the City 6 p.m., 11 p.m. 3/15, 3/16 90 seconds, 45 seconds News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch 3/15 State Of The City -

"Good ain't good enough in Columbus, Ga."

That was the theme of the mayor's State of the City speech in front of more than 300 business, civic and political leaders.

One of the major focuses was crime - and crime prevention.

"We are not really unlike other communities around the country. We have some areas that have a higher crime rate than we would like. But we're not a dangerous city. We have some areas that have a higher poverty rate than others. But we are not an impoverished community. We have areas that more blight than others, but we are not a blighted community."

The mayor noted that the Columbus Police force is down 84 officers and the Muscogee County Sheriff's Office is down 36 more. But adding officers alone does not solve the problem.

"You can't police yourself to crime prevention. Our officers are awesome. If you commit a crime, they are going to catch you and put you away. But if all we do is hire more officers, all we end up needing to do is build more jails."

He proposes going after the problem on two fronts.

"One is our young people, providing structure and services for our young people. The other is recidivism. As felons have done their time, and released from prison, we have to find a way to integrate them into society. The longer it takes for them to find a place to live and work, the greater opportunity they are going to go back the old ways and back to prison."

But it can be done, Henderson said.

"We are not going to stop working until every single citizen in the community has the opportunity to achieve the quality of life, they want for themselves and for their families. They deserve it." 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm vo/Sot:45

3.1	Tax Reform Deduction change	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/15, 3/16	45 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/15 Tax Reform Deduction change -	PRESIDENT TRUMP'S TAX REFORM PASSED IN 20-17, AND THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'RE GOING TO SEE THE RESULTS IN OUR TAX RETURNS. SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS WHO WILL BE FILING TODAY MAY QUALIFY FOR UP TO 20-PERCENT REDUCED FROM YOUR OVERALL TAXABLE INCOME. THAT MEANS IF YOU MADE 100-THOUSAND DOLLARS IN 20-18, YOU MAY ONLY HAVE TO PAY TAX ON 80-THOUSAND OF YOUR INCOME. HUGE SAVINGS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO MARRIED COUPLES WHO CAN NOW TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE NEW 24-THOUSAND DOLLAR STANDARD DEDUCTION RATE COMPARED TO ONLY 12-THOUSAND 7-HUNDRED IN 20-17. SINGLE FILERS ALSO HAVE A NEW STANDARD DEDUCTION AT 12-THOUSAND DOLLARS WHERE BEFORE, YOU COULD ONLY DEDUCT ABOUT 6-THOUSAND. ONE LOCAL TAX EXPERT SAYS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING IS TO FILE ON TIME. SAVE THE MONEY THROUGH DEDUCTIONS AND AVOIDING A LATE FILING FEE. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm Vo/Sot:45
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3.1	Ft. Benning Exclusive	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/19, 3/20	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, New 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/19 Ft. Benning Exclusive -	
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Dez Del Barba is a 21-year-old soldier who enlisted in the California National Guard late last year and reported to Fort Benning for Basic Training in January.

His class graduates on Friday. Not Dez Del Barba.

Since Feb. 11, he has undergone 14 surgeries in three hospitals. His left leg was amputated above the knee.

Large amounts of tissue and muscle have been surgically removed from his body in attempts to stop the rapid spread of necrotizing fasciitis.

And his father Mark Del Barba says it all could have been prevented.

(fullscreen quote here)

"All they had to do was look at his lab results," Mark Del Barba said. "It was hand-written in his medical records."

On Feb. 7, Del Barba went to sick call for treatment of a sore throat. Two strep tests were performed. The first one with an immediate result was negative. The throat culture was sent off for analysis. The results came back at 12:26 p.m. the next day, a Friday.

Fort Benning medical records obtained by the Del Barbas show that a notation in their son's file read: 'Positive for culture. Call AM Monday.'

By Monday morning it was too late.

Del Barba had to be rushed from Martin Army Hospital to Piedmont Columbus Regional's Midtown campus.

Piedmont surgeons immediately began to operate, removing infected tissue.

Those doctors gave the soldier a 50-50 chance to survive.

He was flown to the Alabama-Birmingham burn center, then a few days later he was flown again to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, where he remains in ICU tonight where is listed in good condition, according to a hospital spokesman.

Fort Benning spokesman declined multiple times to confirm Del Barba's condition or discuss the circumstances that led to it. On Monday, Ben Garrett, Chief of Public Affairs for the Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning, referred questions concerning Del Barba to the U.S. Army Medical Command at the Pentagon.

Tuesday morning, Garrett released the following email statement, which read in part:

(fullscreen quote here)

"Our mission is to train soldiers and develop leaders in a very high risk and close quarters environment," it read. "The safety and care of our soldiers and personnel at Fort Benning is our utmost concern. Sometimes the environment or high-risk training results in illness, injury, or sadly, even death."

That's little comfort to the Del Barbas.

(fullscreen quote here)

"We should not be here at the hospital," he said. "We should be getting ready to watch my son reach another goal. It's the most heartbreaking feeling a parent can feel. My son's life has been forever altered and his future as a soldier for the United States Army has been destroyed by pure negligence." 6pm
PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

				News 3 Morning,	
				New 3 Midday,	3/20 Tornado Victim Recovering -
				News 3 Evening	
			90 seconds, 45	Edition, News 3	
3.1	Tornado Victim Recovering	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/20, 3/21	Nightwatch	

I believe 100% the Lord kept me alive an the boys alive, I don't know what the reason is for - but eventually he will let me know 46-year old Dennis Clark - and his loving wife Nancy have custody of their 5 adorable grandchildren.

March 3rd, the Beauregard family's life was forever changed when their home was hit by the tornado.

<when it lifted the house up, I grabbed the boys, it blew me and the boys out of the house onto a tree flipped the house over and it landed on top of me. It took them 45 minutes to pull me out>

Three of their grandkids were injured.

Along with other injuries, Dennis' neck and back are broken in multiple places. He's now paralyzed from his chest down.

I drove a standup forklift, I been playing baseball since I was 5 years old. I'm 46 and I can't sit up right, please say a prayer for me that we will make it through with help from the good Lord

they are my life and my world, He is the strongest man I know and if anyone can make it out of this it's him

The family's home and most of their belongings - were destroyed in the storm.

They do have homeowners insurance, but did not have health insurance.

The family's go fund me page is barley more than thousand dollars.

Nancy is struggling just to pay for gas - to visit her husband.

we need a wheelchair accessible home with ramps and bigger bathrooms and doorways all of that stuff, we are just trying to figure it out

Nancy and Dennis tell News 3 the community has been amazing.

Friends of the family - asked News 3 to share their story - in hopes of helping the family even more.

Dennis' recovery will be long and difficult - any help would be appreciated - as this family weathers the storm - with faith, family and friends.

the good lord will carry us through

Reporting on your side in East Alabama, I'm News 3's Elizabeth White. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

3.1	Coalition For Sound Meeting	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/25, 3/26 90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/25 Coalition For Sound Meeting -
<p>DURING THE COALITION FOR SOUND GROWTH MEETING MAYOR SKIP HENDERSON ADDRESSED THREE TOPICS THAT HE SAYS NEED IMPROVEMENT FOR THE FUTURE OF COLUMBUS. ONE BEING CRIME, YOUTH PROGRAMS, AND CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG ADULTS. HENDERSON SAYS IT'S NOT JUST THE GOVERNMENT'S JOB BUT A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT.</p>					
<p><"City government wants to work with the organizations that are anxious to make Columbus a better place to live and organizations like the Coalition for Sound Growth who help hold us accountable that's just a great example of what's looking to make Columbus a great place to live."></p>					
<p>FROM A CRIME WATCH PERSPECTIVE HENDERSON SAYS THE CITY IS CREATING A MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON RE ENTRY TO HELP FELONS GET REINTERGRATED BACK IN THE COMMUNITY. HENDERSON SAYS ANOTHER WAY TO ADDRESS CRIME IS TO PROVIDE YOUTH PROGRAMS TO KEEP KIDS ALONG THE RIGHT PATH</p>					
<p><We're doing that with a summer youth work program and we're also using a summer path that's going to be able to allow them to not only to access to pools and the rec centers but also maybe to museums and maybe some of the theaters and the arts around town.></p>					
<p>JOHN BRENT SAYS HENDERSON IS SPOT ON WITH WANTING TO HAVE AN INCLUSIVE GOVERNMENT.</p>					
<p><"I think his idea of an idea of original concept and how Columbus fits in there is very important for our growth and quality of life by understanding what the millennial generation may want and that is our future and how that future not only in Columbus but within the region."></p>					
<p>HENDERSON SAYS THE GROUP MEETS EVERY MONTH TO DISCUSS ISSUES OF COMMON CONCERN AND TO CREATE A FORUM FOR ORGANIZATIONS TO COLLABORATE WITH OTHERS. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>					

3.1	Troup Co Bones Identify	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	3/28, 3/29 90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	3/28 Troup Co Bones Identified -
<p>"Upset, hurt, I can't ever see him again,"</p>					
<p>WILLIAM REDDEN IS OVERCOME WITH MIXED EMOTIONS AFTER LEARNING THAT HIS BROTHER'S REMAINS WERE POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED</p>					

NEAR A DEAD END ON FULTON STREET IN LAGRANGE.

"They didn't know if he was dead or alive at least now we got closure,"

WILLIAM SAYS HIS BROTHER, 51 YEAR OLD JOHNNY REDDEN, WENT MISSING SOMETIME BACK IN 2016. TWO YEARS LATER HIS REMAINS WERE DISCOVERED ALONG A DIRT PATH.

"Way back in the woods they was riding 4 wheelers back there and they stumbled across the remains, it was just bones,"

"I think one or two days later they found some more bones and I guess they couldn't identify him here so they sent his body to Texas,"

FOLKS USUALLY SAY TIME HEALS ALL WOUNDS, BUT REDDEN SAYS FOR HIS FAMILY THAT'S NOT THE CASE.

"They said he died in his sleep they said he went to sleep and never woke up, but I don't know if drugs caused it or what,"

THE SEARCH MAY BE OVER FOR, BUT WHAT LED UP TO JOHNNY'S DEATH IS STILL A MYSTERY,"

"Nobody can answer it but him, he's the only one that can answer them,"

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Sheriff Office 90 seconds, 45
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THE COLUMBUS POLICE DEPARTMENT IS LOOKING TO FILL EIGHTY SIX POSITIONS. ASSISTANT CHIEF OF POLICE GIL SLOUCHICK SAYS THEY ARE SHORT OF FIRST RESPONDERS.

<"Our main purpose is answering 9-1-1 calls. We are the ones when you pick up the phone to call 9-1-1 we send our people to you. To have these positions filled. To have officers to be able to respond to 9-1-1 calls and respond in a timely manner is very important.">

SLOUCHICK SAYS THE STARTING SALARY FOR AN OFFICER IS AROUND FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS A YEAR WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO RECEIVE SEVERAL BONUSES AND BUSINESSSES. SLOUCHICK SAYS THEY'RE HOPING WITH NEW HIRES THEY CAN RELIEVE SOME OF THEIR OFFICERS.

"We have officers on the street who don't even have time to eat. They're going from call to call to call, they have to split beats sometimes which means they have to ride two beats instead of one."

SLOUCHICK SAYS THAT THE OVERTIME IS OPTIONAL BUT SEVERAL OF HIS OFFICERS HAVE STEPPED UP TO FILL THE VOID.

"Not only is C-P-D experiences shortages, I spoke with Muscogee County Sheriff Donna Tompkins who says they are experiencing the same problem as well."

MUSCOGEE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SAYS THEY HAVE NINETEEN CORRECTIONAL OFFICER POSITIONS TO FILL AND NINETEEN DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITIONS.

"We need the people to make it a secure environment in our jail and in our courthouse I mean that's kind of the basic foundations of the courthouse, the court system and and even society being safe. I mean we want to fill these positions.">

TOMPKINS SAYS THIS ISN'T JUST A COLUMBUS PROBLEM BUT THERE IS A SHORTAGE IN LAW ENFORCEMENTS THROUGHOUT SEVERAL AREAS IN THE U.S. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

Military

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3.1	Operation Veteran Outreach	6 p.m., 11 p.m.	2/11, 2/12	90 seconds, 45 seconds	News 3 Morning, News 3 Midday, News 3 Evening Edition, News 3 Nightwatch	<p>2/11 Operation Veteran Outreach -</p> <p>*NAT SOUND*</p> <p>TIM MAGGART WROTE THIS SONG FOR HIS FRIEND SAMUEL RHODES, A MAN WHO HAS DEDICATED HIS LIFE TO HELPING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES THROUGH HIS WARRIOR OUTREACH CENTER IN FORTSON. MAGGART SAYS WHEN HE SPOKE WITH THE FAMILIES, THEY ALL SAY THAT RHODES IS "MORE THAN A WARRIOR" TO THEM.</p> <p>"Several people told me that it meant they were still alive."</p> <p>RHODES SAYS WHEN MAGGART ASKED HIM WHAT HE WANTS THE SONG TO BE ABOUT, HE SAID HE WANTED THE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES TO KNOW THAT HE IS IN THIS FIGHT WITH THEM.</p> <p>"I just want them to know that within the last second before they put that gun in their mouth before they think about hanging themselves, before they think about overdosing they are more than a warrior and they're very important to me in my life."</p> <p>MAGGART PARTNERED WITH ANOTHER SONGWRITER AND THE SONG "MORE THAN A WARRIOR" WAS PERFORMED AT OPERATION SONG. OPERATION SONG RETREATS ARE HELD THROUGHOUT THE U.S. AND SERVE AS A THERAPUETIC TOOL FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES.</p> <p>"Operation song features hit songwriters that have created songs for veterans and their families that may be struggling."</p> <p>MAGGART JOINED THE MILITARY AS A PRIVATE AND ENDED AS A CAPTAIN. AFTER THE MILITARY, MAGGART SAYS HE WAS NEVER ASKED TO GO TO COMBAT BUT WAS INSPIRED TO START WRITING SONGS FOR THOSE ON THE FRONT LINE.</p> <p>"I have friends that have friends that have ten to eleven combat tours and it's sort of my way to give back and thank them.</p> <p>THIS IS THE SIXTH YEAR WARRIOR OUTREACH RANCH WILL BE HOSTING OPERATION SONG. RHODES SAYS AFTERWARDS, VETERANS WILL FEEL AS IF THEY ARE MORE THAN A WARRIOR.</p> <p>"It just makes them understand that yea we have a hard time sleeping at night but we have a reason too and we're just human anybody that's just human would have that.</p> <p>VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES WILL MEET ONE DAY WITH SONGWRITERS TO WRITE THE SONGS AND THE NEXT DAY THEY WILL PERFORM THEM. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45</p>

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PHIL, TERESA, IT LOOKED LIKE BUSINESS AS USUAL. I WATCHED A GROUP OF BASIC TRAINEES GOING THROUGH THE PACES IN THEIR SIXTH WEEK OF 15-WEEK PROGRAM.

THE STREP SITUATION AROSE ON FEB. 13 AND IN THE LAST WEEK FORT BENNING OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN WORKING TO CONTAIN IT AND FIGURE IT OUT.

THERE HAS ALSO BEEN A SOLDIER DIE, BUT FORT BENNING OFFICIALS HAVE NOT CONNECTED IT TO THE STREP CASES, ACCORDING TO A POST OFFICIAL. 6pm Vo/Sot:45,11pm vo/Sot:45

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FORT BENNING INVITED ONE OF THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN GREEN BERETS AND MEDAL OF HONOR RECEIPT SERGEANT MELVIN MORRIS TO INSPIRE SOLDIERS.

"The military is a way of life when you didn't have nothing else. My family didn't have much. Even when I was growing up no one ever talked about college, they didn't talk about staying in school because they knew that wasn't going to happen."

SERGEANT MELVIN MORRIS SERVED IN THE VIETNAM WAR. MORRIS LED AN ADVANCE ACROSS THE ENEMY LINES TO RETRIEVE A FALLEN SOLDIER...IN THE PROCESS HE WAS SHOT THREE TIMES. HE SAYS AFTER SERVING HE KNEW HE WANTED TO BE A VOICE FOR BLACK HISTORY AND THAT SPEAKING AT THE HOME OF INFANTRY IS A GREAT HONOR.

"This is our country just like anybody else and we are patriotic and believe it or not we do believe in sacrificing for whatever it takes for this country.

SERGEANT MORRIS RECEIVED HIS MEDAL OF HONOR IN 2014.. AN HONOR THAT MORRIS SAYS MANY AFRICAN AMERICAN SOLDIERS MISSED OUT ON. MORRIS SAYS IN HIS SPEECH THAT HE DID NOT SERVE FOR THE ACCOLADES HE SERVED TO HELP HIS COUNTRY. STAFF SERGEANT NATALIA HARTZFIELD SAYS SHE IS HAPPY TO BE PART OF THE MILITARY BECAUSE OF PEOPLE LIKE HIM

Even though we're African Americans we do matter in the military that was my biggest takeaway. Like he said, a lot of times back then we got looked over and it's good to see these days that we are being remembered and that he was honored.>

HARTZFIELD SAYS SHE WAS CHOSED TO BE PART OF THE PROGRAM BECAUSE SHE DID A PROJECT ON MORRIS WHEN SHE WAS IN SCHOOL. SHE SAYS MEETING ONE OF HER HEROES WAS A HUMBLING EXPERIENCE. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3. 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3.1	Whinsec Women Panel	6 p.m., 11 p.m. 2/28, 3/1	90 seconds, 45 seconds	

THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY COOPERATION OR WHINSEC HELD ITS THIRD ANNUAL PANEL TO EMPOWER WOMEN IN TODAY'S GLOBAL SOCIETIES AND CULTURES WITH EXPERTS FROM A DIVERSE PANEL.

"For the students of one of our most important courses and that is the command in general's officers course and this panel discussion is intended to promote the role of women in matters of international peace in security."

THE PANELISTS ADDRESSED NOT REPLACING MEN BUT TO INCLUDE WOMEN IN MORE OF THE PLANNING AND DECISION MAKING. PETER MAROCCO WAS ON THE PANEL AND SAYS WOMEN ARE THE GRASSROOTS OF THEIR SOCIETIES AND THAT IS WHAT THE WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY ACT REFLECTS.

"In Venezuela you see many civil society organizations where women have much broader reach then men do. Women have a unique ability to reach out parts of the community that men otherwise are not recognizing that can actually mobilize efforts.

PRESIDENT TRUMP SIGNED THE WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY ACT IN TWENTY SEVENTEEN TO INCREASE WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE NEGOTIATION AND MEDIATION PROCESS. GIMENA SANCHEZ GARZOLI SPECIALIZES IN COLUMBIA'S HUMAN RIGHTS AND SAYS HER JOB IS FOCUSING ON THOSE WHO ARE THE HARDEST HIT BY HUMAN RIGHTS. ONE MAJOR ISSUE AGAINST WOMEN SHE SAYS IS SEXUAL VIOLENCE

The Fark gorillas which had about forty percent of their combatants being women alot of the women were recruited at a very young age and weren't able to leave the fark the fark had a policy of forced abortion if women became pregnant."

SANCHEZ GARZOLI SAYS THANKS TO THE PEACE ACCORD THESE ISSUES ARE BEING BROUGHT TO LIFE AND LEADERS ARE NOW WORKING TO COMBAT THIS. IN COLUMBUS AND ON YOUR SIDE ANJELICIA BRUTON WRBL NEWS 3 6pm PKG 1:30,11pm Vo/Sot:45

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3.1	Fort Benning Award Ceremony	6 p.m., 11 p.m. 3/1, 3/2	45 seconds, 45 seconds	3 Nightwatch

3/1 Fort Benning Award Ceremony -

FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY SEVEN CANDIDATES COMPETED FOR THEIR EXPERT INFANTRY BADGE BUT ONLY EIGHTY NINE SOLDIERS GRADUATED. SERGEANT MAJOR TRAVIS QUADE SAYS THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT IS A DREAM COME TRUE FOR MOST SOLDIERS.

"Everyone of us started basic training here on Fort Benning at Sand Hill. Everyone out here and now they've earned their EIB where they started their army experience at."

LIEUTENANT BRIAN JOHNSON SAW OTHER SOLDIERS WITH THE BADGE.

HE WANTED ONE TOO.

"First and foremost this says something about the individual that they're able to wear this. It's an honor and you know what it's a difficult task that you have to work hard to achieve that. That person is held to a higher standard than say regular infantry men. This says this man is an expert at his job and he's capable of doing an achieving more."

JOHNSON SAYS THIS WAS HIS SECOND TIME COMPETING FOR HIS EXPERTS INFANTRY BADGE AND THAT QUITTING WAS NEVER AN OPTION FOR HIM.

"Times may have been as physically challenging today during the twelve miler guys were running off not optimal sleep. After they leave here leave the lanes they go home they study it's easy to continue the drive on because you know what you're going to earn there right at the very end you get this beautiful blue rifle on your chest forever.

THE COMPETITION CONSISTS OF FORTY NINE PUSH UPS, FIFTY NINE SIT UPS, AND A FOUR MILES RUN UNDER THIRTY TWO MINUTES FOR THE FIRST DAY THEN GOES INTO THREE DAYS OF INDIVIDUAL TESTING AND A TWELVE MILE RUCK MARCH WHERE JOHNSON WAS ALSO AWARDED FOR FINISHING FIRST.

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The station also aired the following public service announcements during the instant quarter:

PSA	30 seconds	Flood
PSA	30 seconds	EPA Surgeon General
PSA	30 seconds	Brake for Buses
PSA	30 seconds	Alcoholic Annon
PSA	30 seconds	Mentor A Child
PSA	30 seconds	Voices of Meningitis
PSA	30 seconds	American Kidney Assoc
PSA	30 seconds	Cancer Road
PSA	30 seconds	Adoption
PSA	30 seconds	Succeed In Life
PSA	30 seconds	Rabies Vaccine
PSA	30 seconds	Diabetic Nerve
PSA	30 seconds	Don't Drink and Drive
PSA	30 seconds	Animal Shelter
PSA	30 seconds	CPD Recruitment
PSA	30 seconds	Best Friends
PSA	30 seconds	Recovery Benefit
PSA	30 seconds	Game On
PSA	30 seconds	Marine Scholarships
PSA	30 seconds	WRBL Literacy
PSA	30 seconds	Life Transitions
PSA	30 seconds	Al-Anon
PSA	30 seconds	Child Obesity
PSA	30 seconds	Discovering Nature
PSA	30 seconds	Hurricane
PSA	30 seconds	Energy Efficiency
PSA	30 seconds	Cancer Prevention
PSA	30 seconds	MADD
PSA	30 seconds	Red Cross Nomination
PSA	30 seconds	Loan Scams
PSA	30 seconds	PAWS Humane