

# Quarterly Issues Report

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Name of Program	Date (s) Aired	Time (s) Aired	Duration	Brief Description of Program
Community Voices For Change	9/5/2023	11:30	30:00	<b>Our guest was Carrie N. Baker who is a professor in the program for the study of women and gender at Smith College. She talked about an op-ed that she recently wrote titled " Why we need leaders to stand up to anti-abortion extremists" which focused on the long standing problem of anti-abortion violence and intimidation against reproductive health advocates.</b>
Community Voices For Change	9/12/2023	11:30	30:00	<b>Our guest was Kate Sykes who is a clean election candidate running for Portland's District 5 seat. She talked about why she has thrown her hat in the ring so to speak and what she hopes can be done to resolve a number of issues facing folks living in the city including the homeless problem and the lack of affordable housing in the city.</b>
Community Voices For Change	9/19/2023	11:30	30:00	<b>Our guest was Representative Christopher Kessler who represents District 121 in the Maine State Legislature. He will talk about how he first got involved in tenant organizing and the bills that he has introduce which been passed over the past few years. He will also talk about his ideas regarding what can be done to solve the current lack of affordable housing in the state.</b>
Community Voices For Change	9/26/2023	11:30	30:00	<b>Our guest was John Sheirer, who writes a monthly column on current events for the Daily Hampshire Gazette and is an</b>

				author of a number of books including his last novel “Stumbling Through Adulthood : Linked Stories” published by Janice Beale Books. The show focused on his latest opinion piece entitled “Time for a functional Republican Party”, his latest novel and what he is currently writing. .
Community Voices For Change	10/02/2023	11:30	30:00	<b>Our guest was Bruce Gagnon, Co-founder and Coordinator of Global Network Against Weapons and nuclear power in space</b>
Let’s Connect	12/28/2023	11:30	30:00	<p>Guests were Jessica Williams, Executive Director of WindowDressers and Sofia Reali, a program assistant who recently finished up a service term with the Resilience Corps as the Energy Efficiency Fellow, splitting her time serving with WindowDressers and the sustainability team at the Greater Portland Council of Governments.</p> <p>Discussion on home improvements to their homes so they’re more energy efficient. That means lower CO2 emissions and lower energy bills. It all sounds great, but it raises an equity issue. The more affluent people are the ones making investments. So, they get to save money in the long term. But many lower income Mainers can’t afford the up-front costs of those energy improvements so end up paying more to stay warm. The good news is that there is a nonprofit that is helping address that equity issue. WindowDressers deploys the power of volunteerism to ensure every community has access to affordable insulated window inserts.</p>
Let’s Connect	12/14/2023	11:30	30:00	<p>Topic - Meeting the demand for more housing. Greg Payne, senior advisor to Gov. Mills on housing issues, talks with host Kristina Egan about Maine’s massive housing shortage and its implications. Maine needs as many as 84,300 new homes of all kinds within the next seven years to meet current and future demands. A state study in October concludes that failing to build or reinvest in more homes may have serious implications for Maine’s labor force and economy.</p>
Let’s Connect	12/21/2023	11:30	30:00	Tom Bell interviewed Andrew Fersch, who along with Cape Elizabeth illustrator Bruce Hutchison, has written a children’s book, “The Piping Plover,” about the endangered seabirds that live at Higgins Beach in Scarborough.

Let's Connect	12/07/2023	11:30	30:00	Guest - Theresa Galvin, the Sustainability Coordinator for the Town of Falmouth, David Low, a Falmouth resident who is a member of the Climate Action Planning Committee, and Anna Paddock, a Sustainability Associate at the Greater Portland Council of Governments, discuss what Falmouth is doing to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while preparing for the impacts of a warming climate.
Let's Connect	11/30/2023	11:30	30:00	Subject - Communications strategies that help local democracy thrive. Hear from City of South Portland Communications Officer ( <a href="#">City of South Portland</a> ), Shara Dee, Jessica Grondin, Director of Communications ( <a href="#">City of Portland</a> ) and Allison Carrier - Marketing & Communications Manager ( <a href="#">Town of Scarborough</a> )
Passionate People	10/30/2023	11:30	30:00	Interview with a deaf professor of American Sign Language. She explained the deaf terms and what it is like to be deaf.
Let's Connect	9/26/2023	11:30	30:00	Discussion on homelessness and affordable housing.
Let's Connect	11/09/2023	11:30	30:00	Discussion on electrification of public transit.
Passionate People	11/27/2023	19:00	30:00	Interview with USM Police Chief Grainne Perkins about student safety at USM and more.



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1<sup>st</sup> Quarter – Jan Feb Mar    2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter – Apr May Jun    3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter – Jul Aug Sep    4<sup>th</sup> Quarter – Oct Nov Dec  
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