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# QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

FOR

STATION WWMX-FM HD1

**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021**

(July 1 through September 30)

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**Issues of Concern to Baltimore, Maryland  
Addressed in Responsive Programming in the  
3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2021  
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<b><i>Subject</i></b>	<b><i>Description of Issue of Concern</i></b>
ANIMAL WELFARE	MISSION TO END ANIMAL ABUSE AND FACILITATING PET ADOPTIONS.
ARTS/HUMANITIES	AWARENESS OF PROGRAM TO DEVELOP ARTS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.
CHILD ABUSE	PROGRAMS TO LOOK OUT FOR ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN.
CHILDREN'S ISSUES	HELPING CHILDREN WITH SEVERE MEDICAL ISSUES.
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF BALTIMORE AND INSPIRING OTHERS TO HELP DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS TO BETTER SERVE THEIR COMMUNITIES.
COMMUNITY SCIENCE	UTILIZATION OF COMMUNITY SCIENCE DATA TO ANSWER IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ABOUT PLANET'S BIODIVERSITY.
CONSUMER/ FINANCIAL CONCERNS	UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING HEALTHCARE COSTS; AVOIDING PHONE SCAMS.
COVID-19	UNDERSTANDING HOW OBESITY IMPACTS COVID-19 PATIENTS.
CRIME	HOW TO PREVENT CRIME IN THE HOME; CONCERNS ABOUT AIRPLANE VIOLENCE; ELIMINATING CURRENCY TO PREVENT TAX EVASION AND OTHER ILLEGAL SERVICES.
EDUCATION	HOW PARENTING CAN INCREASE SCHOLASTIC ABILITY; CONCERNS ABOUT COLLECTING AND SHARING STUDENT PERSONAL DATA; AND THE SINGLE-SEX SCHOOL EXPERIENCE.
ELDER CARE	HOW FALLS AMONG OLDER ADULTS IS LEADING CAUSE OF INJURY AND STEPS TO PREVENT.
EMPLOYMENT	HOW TO CREATE THE CAREER YOU WANT; LEADERSHIP GENDER GAP IN AMERICAN BUSINESS; AND COACHING AND CAREER PLANNING FOR THE UN- AND UNDER-EMPLOYED.



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FINANCE	STEPS TO UNDERSTAND AND PREPARE FOR RETIREMENT.
MENTAL HEALTH	INCREASED HOSPITALIZATIONS AMONG YOUTH WITH SUICIDAL THOUGHTS; INCREASE AMONG AMERICANS IN DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY; HOW PSYCHOLOGICAL HEALTH CAN IMPACT PHYSICAL HEALTH
PERSONAL HEALTH	INCREASE IN ALLERGIES; CONCERN OVER DECREASE IN PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AMONG YOUNGSTERS; IMPACT OF LONG WORKING HOURS; DECLINE IN SAFETY IMPACTING INJURIES AND DEATH; UNDERSTANDING CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE.
POVERTY	PROVIDING NUTRITIOUS MEALS TO ADULTS AND CHILDREN FACING FOOD INSECURITY; REFORMS TO JUDICIAL SYSTEM NEEDED FOR THE POOR AND MIDDLE CLASS AMERICANS.
SUBSTANCE ABUSE	INCREASE USE OF MARIJUANA AMONG COLLEGE STUDENTS AND SAME-AGE NON-COLLEGE PEERS
TRAFFIC SAFETY	CONCERNS ABOUT IMPAIRED DRIVERS AND THE NEED TO DEVELOP CHILDREN'S SKILLS TO CROSS THE STREET.



**WWMX-FM HD1 Programs That Address Community Issues  
(Regularly Scheduled Public Affairs Programs)  
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<b><i>Public Affairs Program</i></b>	<b><i>Schedule and Description</i></b>
1. InfoTrak	Sundays, 6:00am-6:30am A nationally syndicated weekly public affairs show addressing topics of interest to most Americans Host: Chris Witting
2. Spotlight on Maryland	Sundays, 6:30am-7:00am A weekly public affairs program addressing statewide issues in Maryland: Hosts: Gina Crash, Liz Drabick



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**ISSUE:           ANIMAL WELFARE**

Spotlight on Maryland

August 8

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest(s): Sande Riesett & Caroline Griffin, Co-Founders, Show Your Soft Side, (SYSS)

We spoke about the organization's 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in September 2021. What began as a few educational posters in Baltimore City schools has grown into a national initiative. Over the last decade, to support its mission to end animal abuse, SYSS has dedicated its resources to animal rescues and shelters by establishing emergency medical funds, aiding in the arrests of animal abusers, facilitating pet adoptions and hosting food supply distributions to support communities and animals in need and developing humane education plans. SYSS is holding a month-long fundraising campaign beginning September 1, 2021 to reach a \$100,000 goal to replenish funds lost during the pandemic including their annual event Pawject Runway, that has been canceled two years in a row.

**Issues of Concern:** Animal Welfare; Health & Education



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**ISSUE: ARTS/HUMANITIES**

Spotlight on Maryland

July 25

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Randi Pupkin, Founder & Executive Director, Art with a Heart,  
(AWAH)

For 21 years, AWAH has been enhancing the lives of people in need through visual art in Baltimore. AWAH fills the creative void by providing equitable access to visual art experiences. Since 2000, AWAH has provided educational & creative programs to Baltimore's vulnerable children, youth and adults. They are currently creating an expansive mosaic for the Esperanza Center and a heart sculpture on Pratt St. Their retail & online store, HeARTwares, is selling mosaic replicas to raise funds.

**Issues of Concern:** Arts/Humanities



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**ISSUE: CHILD ABUSE**

InfoTrak

August 1

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest Sally Erny, National Stakeholder Engagement Officer of the National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association, (AWAH)

Ms. Erny explained how court-appointed special advocates (CASAs) look out for the interests of abused or neglected children. She discussed how CASA volunteers work with attorneys and other court officers to ensure the youngsters are in safe and healthy foster care, and eventually, permanent homes. She also outlined the training that these volunteers receive, and how someone can volunteer.

**Issues of Concern:** Child Abuse; Foster Care; Volunteerism



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**ISSUE: CHILDREN'S ISSUES**

Spotlight on Maryland

August 1

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Erin Ritter, Casey Cares Deputy Associate Director

Casey Cares offers support, resources, programs and help to the families of children who are critically and terminally ill. Ms. Ritter joined Spotlight On Maryland to talk about their upcoming 5k Run/Walk. She talked about the event as well as the specific programs Casey Cares offers, their slate of events past and future and what tending to these families was like in the pandemic.

**Issues of Concern:** Children's Issues; Personal Health

Spotlight on Maryland

September 5

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Casey Baynes, Founder of Casey Cares

Casey Cares helps families of critically ill children by providing events, big and small, to the children and their family members. It can be as big as a birthday bash or as simple as a new set of pajamas. Ms. Baynes joined Spotlight on Maryland to talk about their upcoming fundraiser: Their 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Casey Cares "Wild About" Gala. Ms. Baynes talked about the struggles families go through; her dedication to the idea; and why she founded the non-profit organization.

**Issues of Concern:** Children's Issues; Personal Health





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**ISSUE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Spotlight on Maryland

July 18

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest(s): Zachary Sheaffer, Assistant Manager, Programs & Events and Jamal Washington, Manager, Professional Exchanges & GPS of the World Trade Center Institute

The World Trade Center Institute (WTCl) A nonprofit doing work to support the local business community. Messers. Sheaffer and Washington talked about WTCl's mission, which is to empower globally minded leaders with new ideas and valuable connections. They believe in the power of a connected community and being part of something bigger than themselves. They also believe that sharing knowledge and experiences makes a positive impact on Maryland and across the globe. They talked about their EDGE, AGILE and GPS programs as well as their upcoming Maryland International Business Leadership Awards event. Another topic was how the nonprofit operated during COVID and what it is pivoting into now.

**Issues of Concern:** Community Development; Local Business Networking

Spotlight on Maryland

August 29

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Abbi Wicklein-Bayne, Chief of Interpretation, Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine

On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine will celebrate Defenders' Day. Defenders' Day honors the successful defense of Baltimore from British attack and the writing of the National Anthem. Ranger Abbi came on to discuss the upcoming festivities, what working at the monument and park services was like during the pandemic and the infrastructure of the monument.

**Issues of Concern:** Community Development; Local History



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**ISSUE: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CONTINUED)**

Spotlight on Maryland

September 12

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Ricky Smith, Board Chairman, Greater Baltimore Urban League, (GBUL) and Executive Director & CEO Baltimore/Washington Thurgood Marshall Airport

We introduced Ricky and spoke about his new role and vision for GBUL and their upcoming golf tournament fundraiser at Greystone Golf Club in White Hall, Maryland on Thursday, October 21, 2021. Audacy, formerly Entercom, partnered nationally with the National Urban League in October 2020, and locally, Audacy Baltimore teamed up with the Greater Baltimore Urban League to advance racial justice and equity in the communities we serve. Quarterly interviews are part of that commitment to spread the word about GBUL and their ongoing mission of empowering communities and changing lives.

**Issues of Concern:** Community Development; Youth Mentorship; Local History



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**ISSUE: COMMUNITY SCIENCE**

InfoTrak

July 18

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Rebecca Johnson, PhD, Co-Director of Citizen Science and Research Associate in the Department of Invertebrate Zoology and Geology at the California Academy of Sciences

In recent years, community science--also known as citizen science--has become a global phenomenon, as millions of amateurs with an interest in science contribute unparalleled amounts of data on the natural world. Ms. Johnson said community science data remains widely underutilized by the scientific community due to its perception as being less reliable than expert-collected data. She said community science may be the only practical way to answer important questions about our planet's biodiversity and how it is changing.

**Issues of Concern:** Community Science; Climate Change



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**ISSUE: CONSUMER MATTERS**

InfoTrak

July 4

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Jeff Stalnaker, President and Co-Founder of First Orion, a provider of data and phone call transparency solutions

Mr. Stalnaker's company commissioned a survey that found that Millennials are more likely than any other generation to give away personal information to scammers over the phone. He said nearly 40 percent of those surveyed have been contacted by someone impersonating the IRS. He talked about other current scams, and offered advice on how to avoid falling prey to scammers.

**Issues of Concern:** Consumer Matters; Crime

InfoTrak

July 11

6:10am / 10 minutes

Guest: Marshall Allen, reporter for ProPublica, where he covers the health care industry, author of "Never Pay the First Bill: And Other Ways to Fight the Health Care System and Win"

Americans pay about twice as much per person for healthcare than the citizens of other developed nations, and about 1 in 6 of has medical debt in collections. Mr. Allen advised consumers to make sure each medical bill is itemized, and to check the billing codes to make sure the bill is accurate and priced fairly, before paying it. He also explained how doctors are incentivized to perform many treatments and tests whether they are needed or not.

**Issues of Concern:** Consumer Matters; Personal Health



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**ISSUE: CONSUMER MATTERS (continued)**

InfoTrak

July 25

6:15am / 15 minutes

Guest: Elizabeth Rosenthal, MD, former reporter and senior writer at The New York Times, Editor in Chief of Kaiser Health News, former ER physician, author of “An American Sickness: How Healthcare Became Big Business and How You Can Take It Back”

Dr. Rosenthal discussed the rapidly rising costs of healthcare in the past few decades and the reasons behind them. She gave examples of some of the more egregious differences in healthcare costs in the US, compared to other countries. She explained how healthcare consumers can learn to negotiate with hospitals and doctors.

**Issues of Concern:** Consumer Matters; Personal Health



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**ISSUE: COVID-19**

InfoTrak

July 18

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Carmen Piernas, MSc, PhD, University Research Lecturer at the Nuffield Department of Primary Care Health Sciences at the University of Oxford

Dr. Piernas was part of a group of British researchers that examined the strong connection between COVID 19 and obesity. She said they found that younger people with a Body Mass Index of 30 or more, which is considered obese, are at a significantly higher risk of being hospitalized or dying of COVID-19, while those with a BMI of 23 are at the lowest risk. Interestingly, they found that obesity made no difference at all in COVID risks for the elderly.

**Issues of Concern:** COVID-19



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**ISSUE: CRIME**

InfoTrak

August 1

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Clint Emerson, retired Navy Seal, author of "100 Deadly Skills: Survival Edition: The SEAL Operative's Guide to Surviving in the Wild and Being Prepared for Any Disaster"

Mr. Emerson offered numerous tips on how to crime-proof a house and how to avoid becoming a victim of crime in other environments, as well. He explained the importance of being aware of your environment, in order to react to dangerous situations or avoid them in the first place. He also talked about the options available to people caught in active shooter incidents or terrorist attacks.

**Issues of Concern:** Crime; Terrorism

InfoTrak

August 15

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Loretta Alkalay, former FAA eastern regional counsel, Adjunct Professor at Vaughn College of Aeronautics & Technology, a private college in East Elmhurst, New York, specializing in aviation and engineering education

Incidents of violence at airports and during flights have been on the rise in recent months. Prof. Alkalay discussed the problem, and how the increasingly stressful experience of flying has fueled it. When an aircraft's doors are closed, any criminal activity falls under federal jurisdiction, but she believes changes are needed to allow local authorities to make arrests and prosecute.

**Issues of Concern:** Crime; Transportation; Mental Health



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**ISSUE: CRIME (continued)**

InfoTrak

September 26

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: William Lastrapes, PhD, Professor of Economics, Bernard B. and Eugenia A. Ramsey Chair of Private Enterprise in the Terry College of Business at the University of Georgia

Professor Lastrapes led a study that suggests that eliminating \$20, \$50 and \$100 denominations of physical currency might benefit average US families. He explained that, although cash is popular, transactions are largely untraceable by the government and are sometimes used to pay for under the table or illegal goods or services. He believes that less cash means less tax evasion and that the government could theoretically reduce other taxes.

**Issues of Concern:** Crime; Economy; Legal Reform





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**ISSUE: EDUCATION**

Spotlight on Maryland

August 15

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Carrie Stickel, Director of Development for Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women

The Baltimore Leadership School for Young Women is an all-girls college preparatory public charter school serving young women residing in Baltimore. Ms. Stickel talked about the requirements and ways for girls to join the school, what it's like learning at a single sex school, the sense of community for the students, how they're transitioning out of the pandemic, what life was like during the pandemic and they're upcoming fundraiser in the Fall.

**Issues of Concern:** Education

InfoTrak

August 22

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Cornelius N. Grove, Ed.D., education expert, author of "The Drive to Learn: What the East Asian Experience Tells Us About Raising Students Who Excel"

American students are currently ranked #25 in education globally, significantly behind countries such as Singapore, China and Japan. He believes that American children are less receptive to classroom learning, compared to East Asian children. He said a different approach to parenting is a major factor.

**Issues of Concern:** Education; Parenting



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**ISSUE:**           **EDUCATION (continued)**

InfoTrak

September 5

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Rachael Stickland, Co-Founder and Co-Chair of the Parent Coalition  
for Student Privacy

Schools and third-party vendors collect and share an astonishing amount of personal data on nearly every student in America. Ms. Stickland explained why parents should be concerned and what they can do about it. She believes laws protecting student privacy need to be improved.

**Issues of Concern:** Education; Parenting; Privacy Concerns



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**ISSUE: ELDER CARE**

InfoTrak

September 12

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Susan Stark, PhD, Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy, of Neurology and of Social Work at Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis

Falls are the leading cause of injury, accidental death and premature placement in a nursing home among older adults in the United States. Dr. Stark shared the results of her study that suggested that in-home falls can be reduced by nearly 40% with a community-based program that helps older adults make modifications to their homes such as adding grab bars, shower seating and slip-resistant surfaces in the bathroom.

**Issues of Concern:** Elder Care; Aging



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**ISSUE:           EMPLOYMENT**

Spotlight on Maryland

July 4

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Maryland New Directions Outreach and Operations Director, Barbara Reed-DiGia

Maryland New Directions (MND) is an award-winning non-profit organization who has been providing no-cost employment coaching and specialized career training to people in and around Baltimore City since 1973. Ms. Reed-DiGia spoke about how they place, train and prepare individuals who are unemployed and under-employed in the Baltimore area. Also about the community works in tandem to help provide emerging positions so that the candidates can go where the jobs are.

**Issues of Concern:** Employment: Job Training & Placement

InfoTrak

August 8

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Helen Horyza, career coach, founder of the Career Coach Entrepreneur Academy certificate programs, author of "Elevate Your Career: Live a Life You're Truly Proud Of"

Nearly 60% of middle-income workers are asking the question: Am I really where I want to be? Ms. Horyza explained why so many people stay in unrewarding careers and how to find a happier path. She shared real-world examples of people who found their true passion in life and created a career that perfectly suited their interests and talents.

**Issues of Concern:** Employment: Career



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**ISSUE:**           **EMPLOYMENT (continued)**

InfoTrak

August 15

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Jenn Donahue, leadership coach, engineer, entrepreneur

The leadership gender gap in American business is glaring; even today, women fill just 6% of CEO positions at Fortune 500 companies. Ms. Donahue explained how those women who have broken the glass ceiling can determine their leadership style, and also seek ways to bring other women up through mentoring.

**Issues of Concern:** Employment; Career; Women's Concerns



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**ISSUE: FINANCE**

InfoTrak

August 8

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Maria J. Prados, PhD, Economist at the University of Southern California's Center for Economic and Social Research

Social Security benefits are a critical component in planning and saving for retirement. Prof. Prados co-authored a study that found that the average American overestimates their future monthly Social Security check by more than \$300. She explained why this is a serious problem and how consumers can find out how much their future Social Security benefit will be.

**Issues of Concern:** Finance; Retirement Planning

InfoTrak

August 29

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Gal Wettstein, PhD, Senior Research Economist at the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College

Dr. Wettstein co-authored a report entitled "Are Older Workers Capable of Working Longer?" He explained why recent worsening health trends raise the question of how long people will be able to work, and why it matters. He noted that gains in "working life expectancy" have slowed in the past 15 years. He said many black workers, as well as whites with less education, may not be capable of working to Social Security's full retirement age of 67.

**Issues of Concern:** Finance; Retirement Planning; Poverty



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**ISSUE: MENTAL HEALTH**

InfoTrak

July 4

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Gregory Plemmons, PhD, Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Monroe Carell Jr. Children's Hospital at Vanderbilt University

Dr. Plemmons led a study that found the percentage of younger children and teens hospitalized for suicidal thoughts or actions in the United States has doubled over the past decade. He talked about the possible reasons for such a steep increase, what ages are at the greatest risk, and how parents can recognize signs of suicidal thoughts in their children.

**Issues of Concern:** Mental Health; Teen Suicide; Parenting

InfoTrak

July 11

6:20am / 10 Minutes

Guest: David Rabadi, mental health advocate, National Speaker for the National Alliance on Mental Illness, author of "How I Lost My Mind and Found Myself"

41 percent of Americans reported anxiety and depression symptoms in 2020, up from 11 percent in 2019. Mr. Rabadi explained why many people struggling with mental illness try to hide it from others. He offered encouragement to seek help.

**Issues of Concern:** Mental Health; Suicide Prevention



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**ISSUE: MENTAL HEALTH (continued)**

InfoTrak

August 29

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Glenn N Levine, MD, Master Clinician and Professor of Medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, Chief of the cardiology section at the Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, both in Houston

Dr. Levine was chair of the writing committee for a new American Heart Association Scientific Statement, entitled "Psychological Health, Well-Being, and the Mind-Heart-Body Connection." He outlined the latest research that examines why and how psychological health can positively or negatively impact a person's physical health, and risk factors for heart disease and stroke

**Issues of Concern:** Mental Health; Personal Health





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**ISSUE: PERSONAL HEALTH**

InfoTrak

August 22

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Clifford Bassett, M.D., FAAAAI, FAAAAI, Founder and Medical Director of Allergy and Asthma Care of New York, author of “The New Allergy Solution: Supercharge Resistance, Slash Medication, Stop Suffering”

Allergies are on the rise. Dr. Bassett explained why the problem and its underlying causes are quite complex. He believes in many cases, allergic reactions can be prevented, with proper medical advice that examines the interplay of diet, mindset, and environment.

**Issues of Concern:** Personal Health

InfoTrak

September 5

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Vijay R. Varma, PhD, researcher and post-doctoral fellow at the National Institute on Aging, part of the National Institutes of Health

Dr. Varma recently co-authored a study that found an alarming decrease in physical activity in youngsters at every age. 19 year olds now get as much exercise and activity as 60 year olds. Dr. Varma explained why this is a major problem. He offered suggestions of ways to encourage both younger and older Americans to become more physically active.

**Issues of Concern:** Personal Health; Physical Fitness; Aging



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**ISSUE: PERSONAL HEALTH (continued)**

InfoTrak

September 12

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Frank Pega, PhD, epidemiologist, health economist, Technical Officer in the Environment, Climate Change and Health Department at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland

Long working hours are killing 745,000 people a year, according to a new report from the World Health Organization. Dr. Pega was the lead author of the study, which found that working more than 55 hours a week is a health hazard that leads to stroke and heart disease. He said the pandemic may have accelerated this trend.

**Issues of Concern:** Personal Health; Workplace Matters

InfoTrak

September 19

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Steve Casner, PhD, research psychologist, NASA scientist, author of "Careful: A User's Guide to Our Injury-Prone Minds"

Dr. Casner has devoted his career to studying the psychology of safety. He said after a hundred years of steady decline, the rate at which people are being injured or killed in everyday accidents, such as car crashes, pedestrian fatalities, home-improvement projects gone wrong, medical mistakes and home fires, is increasing. He explained why few of us are as careful as we think we are, and what we can do about it.

**Issues of Concern:** Personal Health; Accident Prevention



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**ISSUE: PERSONAL HEALTH (continued)**

Spotlight on Maryland

September 26

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: George Kilbourne, Board Member, National Kidney Foundation  
Serving Maryland and Delaware, (NKFMDDE)

We spoke about his personal connection to kidney disease, (his late Father battled it). We talked about the latest statistics nationally and in Maryland, discussed Chronic Kidney Disease, (CKD), the risk factors and warning signs of Kidney Disease, and COVID-19 and Kidney Disease. We also talked about the work of the National Kidney Foundation, and how you can support it by participating in their upcoming Maryland & Delaware Virtual Kidney Walk on Sunday, October 24, 2021 at 10 am via Live Stream at [kidneywalk.org/Baltimore](https://kidneywalk.org/Baltimore).

**Issues of Concern:** Personal Health; Kidney Disease



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**ISSUE: POVERTY**

Spotlight on Maryland

July 11

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest (s): Russ Snyder, CEO & Nicolle Granger, Executive Director of Fundraising & Development, Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas, (VOACC).

We spoke about their Operation Backpack, a back-to-school drive that helps kids in need succeed, which is held between July 10-August 28, 2021 at Brookfield Property locations in Baltimore & Columbia, MD, Arlington, VA & Durham, NC. The program collects supplies for low-income families in VOACC's supportive housing and behavioral health programs as well as a partnership with Title 1 schools in the DMV area and North Carolina. The faith-based, non-profit organization helps over 11,400 individuals & families every year in the DMV and the Carolinas.

**Issues of Concern:** Poverty; Education

Spotlight on Maryland

August 22

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest: Sue Elias, Executive Director, Moveable Feast

Moveable Feast's mission is to improve the health of Marylanders experiencing food insecurity and chronic illness by preparing and delivering medically tailored meals and providing nutritional education. In 2020, they delivered over 500,000 meals to over 2,000 clients! We talked about their annual fundraising event, Dining Out for Life, that will be held this year on September 23, 2021 at participating restaurants for dine in or carryout. They hope to raise their goal of \$105,000 to continue to provide meals for their clients.

**Issues of Concern:** Poverty; Health; Hunger



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**ISSUE: POVERTY (continued)**

InfoTrak

September 19

6:00am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Benjamin H. Barton, Helen and Charles Lockett Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Tennessee, author of "Rebooting Justice: More Technology, Fewer Lawyers, and the Future of Law"

Professor Barton discussed what he sees are longstanding problems in our judicial system. He said that laws are too complex and legal advice is far more expensive than necessary. He outlined a series of reforms that he believes would make the courts much fairer and more accessible for poor and middle-class Americans.

**Issues of Concern:** Poverty; Legal Reform

Spotlight on Maryland

September 19

6:30am / 30 Minutes

Guest (s): Weekend Backpacks Board Member Barbara Spector

Weekend Backpacks, a non-profit that started providing food for those lacking the resources by packing 18 backpacks has expanded to over 1,200, is hosting an online virtual event. On November 14<sup>th</sup>, they'll host Artisanal Breads where a local baker will teach participants how to make focaccia. This is their fourth such event this year. The money raised will go to providing food for the food insecure in Baltimore.

**Issues of Concern:** Poverty; Food Insecurity



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**ISSUE:           SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

InfoTrak

September 26

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Nora Volkow, MD, Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse,  
part of the National Institutes of Health

Marijuana use continued to rise among college students over the past five years, and remained at historically high levels even among same-aged peers who were not in college, according to survey results from the 2020 Monitoring the Future panel study. Dr. Volkow, who has led the National Institute on Drug Abuse since 2003, discussed the potential reasons for the trend. She added that the survey found that there was also a significant increase in the annual use of hallucinogens such as LSD, and a significant drop in current alcohol use among college students.

**Issues of Concern:** Substance Abuse; Legal Reform



**Most Significant Issue-Responsive Programming**  
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**ISSUE: TRAFFIC SAFETY**

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July 11

6:00am / 10 Minutes

Guest: Darrin Grondel, Vice President of Traffic Safety and Government Relations for the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility

Although there were far fewer vehicles on the roads during the pandemic, traffic deaths rose more than 7% in 2020 to a 13-year high. Mr. Grondel discussed grants awarded by the Governors Highway Safety Association and the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility to help states keep Americans safe from alcohol- and drug-impaired drivers.

**Issues of Concern:** Traffic Safety; Substance Abuse

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July 25

6:15am / 15 Minutes

Guest: Jodie Plumert, PhD, Professor in the Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences at the University of Iowa

For adults, crossing the street by foot seems easy. Yet it is anything but simple for a child. Dr. Plumert led a study that found that perceptual judgment and motor skills are not fully developed in most kids until age 14. She explained what parents can do to help children learn these life and death skills as early as possible.

**Issues of Concern:** Traffic Safety; Children's Issues; Parenting



**Public Service Announcements**  
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Throughout the quarter the station aired **[daily/periodic]** PSAs providing information on a variety of local community activities and issues. Representative examples of such PSAs include the following:

- Dental Lifeline Network
- National Insurance Crime Bureau
- Benefitscheckup.org
- Stand Up To Cancer
- American Lung Association
- Autism Speaks
- Business Debtors Anonymous
- ACR-Radiology Info.org
- P.A.C.T.
- Donors Choose.org
- NFID.org
- African American Wellness Project
- Crohns and Colitis Foundation
- American Thing.org
- Air Force Reserves
- United Health Care-Step Up Summer
- American Academy of Pediatrics
- National Sheriffs Association