

Issues Programs List

**Quarterly Issues Report for
KAWC-FM, KAWP-FM & KOFA-AM
July 1- September 30, 2023
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Section I. Issues.

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

- A. Climate change:** The summer of 2023 has been one of the hottest on record
- B. Education:** Issues relating to education at all levels in our community.
- C. Military:** The impact of changes at the two military bases in our coverage area is having on the local community.
- D. Government Spending:** The budget process for every level of government is impacting communities.
- E. Water:** The impact of the ongoing drought on the Colorado River is impacting communities we serve.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.

A. Border Security:

August 2, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: U.S. Sen. Kyrsten Sinema who is the chair of the Border Management Subcommittee, heard from police and fire leaders from Yuma, Somerton and San Luis on how they are looking for federal money to reimburse them for the migrant care they continue to provide. 3:59

B. Education:

August 1, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: 7th degree Yuma black-belt to begin judo and jujitsu classes for youngsters. 9:22

August 24, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: The Yuma Union High School District is seeing its highest retention rate among certified staff members since 2007. Certified staff positions include teachers, counselors, drop-out prevention specialists, instructional coaches, instructional leaders, and directors. 4:00

August 31, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: Arizona schools chief Horne defends stance on English language instruction model in Yuma 4:00

C. Military Issues:

August 29, 2023 Morning edition/All Things Considered: The Kofa High School Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps — or MCJROTC — is among the top performing programs worldwide. The cadets, along with Senior Marine Instructor, Major Todd Birney, and Sgt. Major Colin Laarman — both retired Marines — have been named as a Naval Honor School for the third time in the last five years. 3:59

D. Government Spending

September 26, 2023 Arizona Edition: Five of Yuma's six state legislators gathered on the campus of Arizona Western College for a public town hall on September 19th. Hosted by AWC President, Dr. Daniel Corr, the panel included Sen. Brian Fernandez (D) and Rep. Michele Peña (R) from Legislative District 23, as well as Sen. Sine Kerr (R), Rep. Tim Dunn (R), and Rep. Michael Carbone (R) from Legislative District 25. The only Yuma lawmaker not in attendance was LD23 Democrat Mariana Sandoval. KAWC's Victor Calderon caught up with three lawmakers following the event for their impressions and to ask about their priorities in the next legislative session. 13:46

E. Water/Conservation

July 17, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: Freeing up Colorado River water from California farms will take more than just money. Just ask the farmers. 4:30

September 19, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things considered: USDA Arizona state director, Yuma ag leaders and elected officials highlight climate-smart ag investments. 4:00

September 21, 2023 Arizona Edition: September dove hunting in Yuma is a boon to the local economy and an annual tradition for many hunters. Hunting itself is big business in Arizona. While dove is the draw in Yuma in September, the state is a destination for hunters from across the country – mostly due to the big game available to hunt here. Additionally, hunting and license fees and permits fund a good portion of the state department of fish and game, the group that manages their activities. 15:06

Public Service Announcements: Broadcast 75 times during the period July1 – September 30 at various times of day; Duration :20 minute each. Public service announcements promoting activities at schools and non-profit entities across our listening area.