

Issues Programs List

**Quarterly Issues Report for KAWC-
FM, KAWP-FM & KOFA-AM
October 1- December 31, 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. Immigration:** The end of 2023 saw a dramatic increase in the number of asylum-seeking migrants apprehended at the United States-Mexico border.
- B. Education:** Issues relating to education at all levels in our community, including teacher shortages, higher education attainment, and a local focus on first-generation college students.
- C. Health care:** Access to affordable and locally available health care, including behavioral health.
- D. Government Spending:** The end of the year saw an influx of new investment in infrastructure projects from every level of government impacting local roads, highways and international ports of entry.
- E. Water:** The impact of the ongoing drought on the Colorado River is impacting communities we serve as state and federal investment seeks to mitigate the impacts on local agriculture.

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. Immigration:

November 7, 2023 Arizona Edition: Gallego on rural needs and border rhetoric. Arizona Congressman Ruben Gallego talks about motivating voters in Yuma County and "vilifying" border rhetoric. 13:17

December 18, 2023 Arizona Edition: Closures impact San Luis Ports-of-Entry as improvement work continues. Buna George, Executive Director of the Greater Yuma Port Authority, talks about port improvements in San Luis and lengthened wait times due to port closings on other parts of the border. 20:19

December 19, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: Lukeville port closure impacting San Luis port traffic says Greater Yuma Port Authority 3:59

B. Education:

December 20, 2023 Arizona Edition: Retaining and encouraging good teachers about more than pay. Lorenzo Chavez, Executive Director of Education and Scholarships at the Arizona Community Foundation, speaks on a new report outlining challenges and offering solutions to support and mentor good teachers in Arizona. 19:44

November 16, 2023 Siendo Primero: Hablando sobre motivación con Rafael Encinas, del programa CAMP en AWC. Nosotros como estudiantes, sabemos de primera mano que muchas veces es difícil seguir adelante, el college no es nada fácil y día a día nos enfrentamos a todo tipo de retos. 22:00

C. Health Care:

October 6, 2023 Arizona Edition: Local non-profit awarded grant to address healthcare for farmworkers. The National Institutes of Health awarded the organization a multi-million dollar grant to promote health and prevent disease among the migrant farm labor population. 12:57

October 6, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: Campesinos Sin Fronteras representative speaks on million dollar grant to address farmworker health. 3:59

November 14, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: "Shark Tank" event at YRMC provides funding for three improvement projects 3:59

November 21, 2023 Arizona Edition: A welcome invitation and hospital innovation. A local marching band is invited to London and the YRMC Foundation swims with sharks to bring change to pediatric patients. 18:11

D. Government Spending

October 16, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: Yuma County Supervisors approve controversial Foothills rezoning request. Residents say 'not in my backyard', developers and supervisors say this is just one step in a long process. 2:30

November 17, 2023 Arizona Edition: Sinema on government spending and educating colleagues about rural Arizona. Arizona Sr. Senator Kyrsten Sinema discusses the recent stop-gap funding bill and highlights funding for local water and infrastructure projects. 14:24

December 12, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: USDA Rural Development official announces \$1.5 million grant for new groundwater well in Winterhaven. 3:59

E. Water/Conservation

October 11, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: New APS battery facilities help provide power after sunset. The nine locations will provide about 200 megawatts (MW) of power, enough to serve 32,000 Arizona homes for 3-4 hours. 3:59

December 15, 2023 Morning Edition/All Things Considered: Colorado River crisis may be solved by "silver buckshot" as new rules are hard to come by. At the Colorado River Water

Users Association annual meeting in Las Vegas, representatives from the seven states that use the river spent three days opining on the progress of ongoing talks to determine how water will be managed after 2026, when the current set of rules expires. 3:59

Public Service Announcements: Broadcast 75 times during the period October 1 – December 31 at various times of day; Duration :20 minute each. Public service announcements promoting activities at schools and non-profit entities across our listening area.