



WAJI-HD2

**ISSUES/ASCERTAINMENT REPORT
3RD QUARTER 2021**

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The following is a list of ascertained issues for the 3rd quarter of 2021:

Poverty

Violence

Racism

Employment/Talent Retention/Wage Disparities

Economic Development

Infrastructure/Green Spaces/Trails

Affordable Housing

Community Safety

Transportation

Affordable Broadband

WAJI-HD2, Alt 102.3 Public Affairs Programming, 3rd quarter of 2021

Community Safety

8/29/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussion of the YMCA's Safe Place program which works with area businesses to act as a temporary shelter for kids who need a safe place to go. Each business puts a sign in their window which tells kids that they can stop inside as a safe place to get help. A team member from the "Y's" Safe Place program will then meet with that child to find a safe way forward. The goal is to prevent human trafficking, physical abuse, and substance abuse and to promote mental health in teenagers.

Guest: Cameron Shackelford, YMCA Safe Place Coordinator; Amy Dahm Just, Executive Director, YMCA Youth Services Bureau.

Fort Wayne Feedback

9/12/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussion of the YMCA's Safe Place program which tries to help young people going through crisis. The goal is to prevent substance abuse, physical abuse and human trafficking. Each business displays a sign in the window indicating to teens that they are a safe place to get help. A Safe Place coordinator will then contact the teen and begin the process of working with them to find a safe resolution.

Guest: Cameron Shackelford, YMCA Safe Place Coordinator; Amy Dahm Just, Executive Director, YMCA Youth Services Bureau.

Fort Wayne Feedback

Community Service

7/4/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussed the Fort Wayne Ronald McDonald House which provides a homelike setting for parents to stay in while their children are in the hospital. Also talked about what it takes to be a volunteer at the Ronald McDonald House and how people can sign up for a short training course.
Guest: Teresa White, Director of Development and Communication, Emily Whitacre, Volunteer Coordinator, Ronald McDonald House of Northeast Indiana
Fort Wayne Feedback

Disabilities Awareness

7/25/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussion of Turnstone and the programs provided to children and adults with disabilities including day care, occupational and speech therapy programs. Also discussed Turnstone's new role as a training facility for Paralympic athletes.
Guest: Stasha Carrasquillo, Chief Marketing Technology Officer, Turnstone; Luke Morgan, Chief Program Officer, Turnstone
Fort Wayne Feedback

8/8/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussion of the various therapy programs provided through the Summit Equestrian Center. They help local children with emotional challenges and have launched a new riding therapy program for local veterans.
Guest: Allison Wheaton, Director, Summit Equestrian Center
Fort Wayne Feedback

Economic Development

7/25/21 6:30-7:00am 30 min.

Discussion of Fort Wayne Soup which promotes local entrepreneurs, kick-starts their ideas and uses grant money to fund their start-ups.

Guest: Amber Bouthot

Sunday Side Up

8/22/21 6:15-6:30am 15 min.

Discussed the impact of the FW Farmer's Market on the local economy as vendors try to buy local and keep other merchants in business.

Guest: Leigh Rowan, Marketing Coordinator, Fort Wayne Farmer's Market
Fort Wayne Feedback

9/19/21 6:15-6:30am 15 min.

Discussion of Economic Development initiatives in the city of New Haven that include expansion of an industrial park area to attract more business.

Guest: Mayor Steve McMichael, City of New Haven

Fort Wayne Feedback

Education

7/2/21 6:30-7:00am 30 min.

Discussed how COVID has impacted travel and subsequently, the foreign exchange student programs through Fort Wayne Community Schools.

Guest: Marcus Farr

Sunday Side Up

Employment/Talent Retention/Wage Disparities

9/19/21 6:00-6:15am 15 min.

Discussion with the Mayor of New Haven, Indiana about the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council which is a program designed to help high school students learn more about the inner workings of local government and to become more involved with the municipal process and hopefully train and retain a young talent pool.

Guest: Mayor Steve McMichael, City of New Haven

Fort Wayne Feedback

Health/Healthcare

7/11/21 6:30-7:00am 30 min.

Discussed the Positive Resource Center and the importance of testing and early intervention.

Guest: Kenny Redmon

Sunday Side Up

Infrastructure/Green Spaces/Sustainability

8/22/21 6:00-6:15am 15 min.

Discussion of the Fort Wayne Farmer's Market, the original market to open in the city. Also discussed efforts to promote local green spaces as a way to encourage more organic farming.

Guest: Leigh Rowan, Marketing Coordinator, Fort Wayne Farmer's Market

Fort Wayne Feedback

Mental Health

8/1/21 6:00-6:15am 15 min.

Discussion of the Summit Equestrian Center which provides therapeutic horseback riding sessions for children and veterans dealing with anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder and other emotional challenges. Also discussed a special veteran's ride this fall that will try to raise awareness of veteran's issues.

Guest: Allison Wheaton, Director, Summit Equestrian Center
Fort Wayne Feedback

8/22/21 6:30-7:00am 30 min.

Discussed The Journey which helps young people in the community to rest, release and respond

Guest: Windy Cobb
Sunday Side Up

9/26/21 6:30-7:00am 30 min.

Discussion with a life coach as to how the pandemic has affected mental health, as well as local economies, businesses and organizations.

Guest: Lisa Boester
Sunday Side Up

Poverty

7/18/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussed Healthier Moms and Babies which provides in-home services to expectant mothers. Nurses go into the homes to help women in need prepare for the birth of their child, helping with everything from nutrition, to prenatal care, to child-proofing and more. They also have programs for fathers to promote engagement, nutrition and overall infant and family health. Also discussed their Baby Shower fundraiser.

Guest: Karen Stahl, Committee Chair for Healthier Moms and Babies Baby Shower Event; Mindy Hartwick, Development Director, Healthier Moms and Babies
Fort Wayne Feedback

Poverty Cont.

8/15/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussed Healthier Moms and Babies which pairs nurses with expectant mothers in need to teach pre-natal and post-natal care. The nurses go into each home to help with everything from nutrition to child-proofing a house. They've also launched a program for fathers-to-be.

Guest: Karen Stahl, Committee Chair for Healthier Moms and Babies Baby Shower Event; Mindy Hartwick, Development Director, Healthier Moms and Babies

Fort Wayne Feedback

Tourism

9/5/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussed Be a Tourist in Your Own Hometown, an annual event sponsored by Visit Fort Wayne. Nearly 2 dozen attractions offer free admission for the day, inviting residents to participate in the things tourists generally do when they're in town. It's a way for people to enjoy all that Fort Wayne has to offer and hopefully share that enthusiasm with family and friends so they'll visit Fort Wayne.

Guest: Kristen Guthrie, Vice President of Marketing, Visit Fort Wayne

Fort Wayne Feedback

Veterans Initiatives

8/1/21 6:15-6:30am 15 min.

Discussion of the Summit Equestrian Center which provides therapeutic horseback riding sessions for children and veterans dealing with anxiety, post-traumatic stress disorder and other emotional challenges. Also discussed a special veteran's ride this fall that will try to raise awareness of veteran's issues.

Guest: Allison Wheaton, Director, Summit Equestrian Center

Fort Wayne Feedback

Youth Services

9/26/21 6:00-6:30am 30 min.

Discussion of Walk With Me, a fundraiser for the Powerhouse Youth Center in New Haven, which provides area middle and high school students with after school activities, life skills training, mentorship and homework help in a safe, Christian environment.

Guest: Bonnie Roth, Executive Director, Powerhouse Youth Center
Fort Wayne Feedback



**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS AND STAFF COMMUNITY
INVOLVEMENT**

JULY – SEPTEMBER , 2021

The following is a list of recorded public service announcements aired on WAJI-HD2, Alt 102.3 during the third quarter of 2021:

St. Paul Evangelization

Fort Wayne Rescue Mission

Crimestoppers

Women's Care Center

ARCH

New Haven 4th of July Parade

The following is a list of community activities in which WAJI, WAJI HD2, WAJI HD3, WGBJ and WLDE staff members participated during the 3rd quarter of 2021:

Andy Beckman-Community Outreach Board Member, Children's Autism Center; Volunteer, Haverhill Elementary School

Mark Evans-Host of Healthline on PBS

Lee Tobin-Board of Directors, Franciscan Center

Kelle Coy-Volunteer, Tom Didier for Mayor Campaign

Chris Didier-Usher, Lector and Parish Council, St. Peter Catholic Church; Planning Committee, St. Peter's Parish; Council Member, Knights of Columbus; Planning Committee, North Side High School Alumni Golf Outing; ADHOC Committee Member, Redeemer Radio

Carrie Wellman-Volunteer, Fort Wayne Children's Zoo

Valerie Wallis-Volunteer Church Photographer; Diabetes 5K Participant

Leslie Robbins-Gettys-Board Member, Cross Roads Crisis Center

Staff-Three Rivers Festival

Staff-Allen County 4H Fair