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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the issue of Civic Affairs with Majority Leader of the Common Council and 1st Ward Council Member in the City of Poughkeepsie, Council Member Christopher Petsas. Council Member Petsas says that the common council is the legislative body of the city of Poughkeepsie with 8 elected council members representing the different areas of Poughkeepsie. The common council is specific to the City of Poughkeepsie and deals only with issues pertaining to the City of Poughkeepsie and working on behalf of the residents there. Common issues the City of Poughkeepsie is trying to tackle and get under control are snow removal, abandoned homes, sidewalk repair, and crime. The 1st Ward encompasses Main Street, historic Mill Street, 4 city parks, the waterfront, a bulk of the downtown and historic districts. It is a melting pot of businesses and residences along with the diversity of the people in the first ward. It is a working class neighborhood that is a 70/30 mix of business and residential. The responsibility of the majority leader for the Common Council is very often the behind the scenes activities. The responsibilities can include organizing the caucuses, running the caucus, trying to get the caucus together and moving forward, counting the votes, and building up support for an issue that is beneficial to the city. Council Member Petsas says that the Poughkeepsie Common Council recently passed a foreclosure bond law. Poughkeepsie was the first city in NY State and the 7th in the nation to do so. The foreclosure bond law requires banks that have homes that were foreclosed on to post a \$10,000 bond which the city can draw on to if the bank has not taken care of the property. If the grass has not been cut, the snow has not been shoveled or a window has not been boarded up or fixed, the city can pay to have those things done by drawing on the bond for the property. The hope and plan is that not only will this encourage the city to get the process of selling the property go quicker but also that the properties are maintained. The City of Poughkeepsie has about 400 vacant homes that are sitting and having a negative effect on the neighborhood. This foreclosure bond will help turn the tide in Poughkeepsie's neighborhoods.

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Host Jeannette Eng discusses the topic of Civic Affairs, focusing on NYC and the 10th Senate District with 10th NYS Senate District Senator James Sanders Jr. Senator Sanders says the 10th Senatorial District is a giant district which stretches from the beaches of the Rockaways to Kennedy Airport to South Ozone Park to Jamaica Avenue. The district comprises about 320,000 constituents. Senators serve in Albany compared to Council Members who serve in Manhattan. A NYC Senator doesn't just look at people in the district but thinks of serving the state as a whole by finding legislation that is good for the people of New York. Senator Sanders says that in NYC it is important that there be an even playing field for minority and women-owned businesses. Senator Sanders is working on trying to make sure that of the 20 billion contracts that go out, every member of the community, even those that have been traditionally left out, has a chance to compete. Local Law 1529 will continue these efforts of inclusion. In order to work on legislation that is relevant to the needs of the community and district it is important to listen to the constituents. Once the constituents have shared their needs, Senator Sanders shares this with other civic officials like the local Council Member, the Assembly Member and even the Congressman to garner the support needed to pass the legislation before bringing the matter before fellow Senators, both Democrat and Republican. After the Senator has been able to gather all the necessary support, the Senator now brings the matter before the New York State Governor and attempts to persuade the Governor to approve the piece of legislation. Lobbyists with differences of opinion may come in and present the information in a different way so there may have to be some juggling involved. In essence though, this is the long process of passing local legislation in NYC.

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Host Jeannette Eng discusses the topic of Civic Affairs, focusing on the 14th Council District in NYC with Chair of the Committee on Juvenile Justice and Co-Chair of the Gun Violence Task Force, NYC Council Member Dr. Fernando Cabrera. Dr. Cabrera says that NYC Council District 14 is comprised of the neighborhoods of Kingsbridge, Fordham, University and Morris Heights. These neighborhoods have about 168,000 people. District 14 is a highly concentrated area of people and buildings. District 14 is the 4th poorest Council district in NYC and has a lot of needs. These needs include affordable housing, safety and security, education, working with young people and job development. In the last 5 years there has been a lot of focus on these areas to bring funding and the right kind of programs into District 14 so as to improve the lives of those in the community. Some of these issues like education and crime are more chronic to District 14 but in general the issues are the same city-wide. The reason why crime is such an issue in this district is because of gangs that were trying to take over the youth in the community. Whenever Council Member Cabrera sees that a neighborhood is getting hot and people are talking about rivals, they bring in speakers, who came out of that gang lifestyle, to speak to the youth of the community. Very comprehensive programs are set up to help youth obtain jobs and legal services so that they don't have to turn to crime. There are already results in the neighborhoods where afterschool programs and youth programs have been put into place so now the objective is to expand the youth programming to continue to see its impact in these areas. Council Member Cabrera talks about his vision for the future of District 14, which includes a safer community with the younger people having an opportunity to be engaged in positive alternatives and positive activities. He wants the youth so tired doing good that they will be too tired and too busy to do anything bad. Jobs are also very important to the community because people feel empowered, feel good about themselves, feel pride and contribute to the community when they have a job instead of a handout.

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Crime

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the issue of Crime and preventing child abuse with the Executive Director for The Center for Prevention of Child Abuse in Poughkeepsie, NY, Ms. Kathleen Murphy. Ms. Murphy begins by saying that this year they are anticipating helping over a 1000 children. They are seeing more children because of more education on the issue. Child abuse can be neglecting food, education or appropriate clothing. It can be shoving or hitting. Child abuse can affect the child mentally depending on the type, severity or length of the abuse. It can affect their schoolwork or social life. Sometimes they may not look affected until they get to college or start a family. It depends on what triggers it. They are used to chaos and don't know how to function in normalcy. Ms. Murphy says that Poughkeepsie is a strong believer in the child advocacy model. She says there are reps from all offices of law enforcement. They work with the child protective service workers on abuse cases. The abuse is traumatizing and going through this process is traumatizing as well. If adults are uncomfortable talking about child abuse, then we can't expect our children to talk about it. It's all about education. Personal safety programs are available in Dutchess County that help children be more comfortable talking about it. The children are taught that they are the boss of their body. Many times, these kids are threatened. The most important thing is for the adult to believe them when they DO tell. Ms. Murphy says they are seeing many children now who are witnessing domestic violence. This becomes their normal. They think hitting resolves problems. They are getting in trouble in school or doing drugs. These are all side effects. They grow up being abusers themselves. Children have to feel safe to talk about it.

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Host Lisa Buldo discusses the topic of Crime, focusing on Prisoner Re-Entry with NE Field Director for Prison Fellowship, Mr. Jose Negrón. Mr. Negrón says prisoner re-entry is what happens from the moment the prisoner is released into society. Some of the issues returning ex-prisoners face depend on whether they were detained for a short period of time or were sentenced to a long period of time but generally the issues are finding a place to live, and whether they are able to readily reconnect with family and establish those bonds that have gotten weaker while the prisoner was in jail. Ex-prisoners also ask, how will I support myself, where will I find a job and if I'm not going to reconnect with old friends who got me in this jam to begin with, then am I going to find friends who I am comfortable with? Basically, what will my life be like? What will I do if I have a medical issue and how will I get the meds that I need? Mr. Negrón says the spiritual aspect to transitioning out of the jail system is very important because it will help change a person in a lasting way. Mr. Negrón says that it is important to assign a mentor and work on a re-entry plan while the prisoner is still inside jail. They can talk about those issues that they will face on the outside and be better prepared for them. They need a mentor who will help them obtain medical care or social services, emergency cash--all those pieces that are important to successful transition into society. The mentor can help them integrate into church life and let them know that when they come out they will be a part of a family. They need to build close relationships with people who are like-minded. Ex-prisoners face work discrimination because there is a stigma with having been a felon. New York has banned the practice of including the criminal record question on work applications.

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Host Jeannette Eng discusses the topic of Crime, focusing on Crime in NYC and the 10th Senate District with 10th NYS Senate District Senator James Sanders Jr. Senator Sanders says that most of NYC is safe although there are areas that are less safe. Work is needed in the areas where crime is spiking which unfortunately in the 10th Senate District is the public housing area or the poorer parts of the district. All New Yorkers deserve to be safe and crime is the reflection of the poverty present in NYC. To decrease crime it is important to inspire the community with hope. If the community doesn't have hope to believe that there is a way to get out of the grinding poverty that people find themselves in, then they are going to look for false hope and pursue crime. Senator Sanders states that crime is certainly being driven by poverty. Poverty manifests itself through gangs selling drugs and trying to find a way out, and they are using drugs as a means, whether they are selling drugs or even using them. We have to attack all of these things at the root of the matter. Gangs are a symptom and so are drugs, violence and guns. These are all symptoms of the problem which is lack of opportunity and not having hope. When people have hope they don't commit these types of crimes. It's people who are despairing and who don't see a way out who will turn to crime. In order to protect society, New York City has a responsibility to jail these individuals who because of lack of hope turned to crime. Senator Sanders says that gun and gang violence are way too prevalent in NYC. In the 10th Senatorial District a gun buy-back program is being proposed as a solution. It is something that is rarely done in the borough of Queens but has been very successful in other parts of NYC and in other cities around the US. New Yorkers have a right to be safe in their city and New York City has to be proactive about keeping crime down. New Yorkers should also take charge of helping to keep crime down because we all want certain issues to be resolved but we expect others to take care of them. Senator Sanders advises getting to know your neighbor and those around you so you can help to watch out for each other even on your local block.

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Host Jeannette Eng discusses the topic of Civic Affairs, focusing on Crime in NYC with Chair of the Committee on Juvenile Justice and Co-Chair of the Gun Violence Task Force, NYC Council Member Dr. Fernando Cabrera. Dr. Cabrera says that NYC is the safest largest city in the United States. These last few years we have seen crime go down to the numbers and levels of what it was like in NYC in the 1960s. This year, we saw a spike in the first 5 months but it has gone back down. In the past, domestic crime was divided between three areas: domestic violence, drug abuse and gangs with each area equally distributed to 1/3 of the problem. Now, 75% of all the gun violence crime that is taking place in the city is related to gangs. Five years ago there were no plans in place to deal with gang-related crimes in NYC like there are in other cities with high gang activity like Los Angeles, CA. Recently, NYC has come up with a comprehensive plan to deal with gangs but more can be done. Youth in gangs are seen as villains but they need more options. Often times they are the product of single parent homes and 99% of them don't have fathers and are looking for family and recognition. Gang members are also looking for jobs because jobs have been lost in the community and if you told them you had a job today for them if they left that life they would leave the gangs. Gang members don't want to live a life of crime because they know they have no future. Youth who are involved in gangs and crime find themselves in prison or dead within 5 years of engaging in this lifestyle. NYC needs a better solution than just locking everyone up. NYC has to do better with its youth who are involved in crime. Council Member Cabrera does note that about 4 years ago crime started decreasing due to NYC's strategic implementation of dealing with quality of life issues, having very attentive police officers who did a fantastic job of being very surgical with their approach to reducing crime in NYC.

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Host Lisa Buldo discusses the issue of Education, focusing on meeting our youth's academic needs in NYC, with Co-Founder and Executive Director of Entertainers 4 Education Alliance/I Will Graduate, Ms. Tonya Lewis-Taylor. Ms. Lewis-Taylor says the education system has had its challenges in NYC but is currently in an upswing. This is in contrast with the worst educational crisis that existed in NYC history a couple of years ago. Approximately 43% of NYC students were graduating before, but now the graduation rate is at 60%. In education, NYC is ranked #1 in funding and #6 in the preparedness of teachers nationwide but with regards to academic output NYC is only ranked #38 out of all the states. The qualified staff and all of the funding is there but for some reason the academic output is still not there. Ms. Lewis-Taylor says that this generation does not really value education like previous generations and it's because they aren't being pushed at home to aspire to a college degree. The #1 challenge to students not graduating comes from the home because NYC has the best educational resources for its students but what is being seen is a product of younger parents, the communities and the kids not getting the guidance from strong parental figures. The problem starts at home with parents that let their children hang out on the streets at 8pm at night, who don't check homework and don't attend PTA meetings. Parent engagement is at an all-time low and they have to be re-engaged to know how important their involvement is in the education of their children. Some factors that are important to our youth's academic success are good parenting, home environment, doing homework, getting plenty of rest, newer textbooks, and current technology being used in the classroom because it is what kids know.

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Host Scott Thom discusses the topic of Education and the state of the Dutchess County education system with the Author of *This Part of the Sky* and Education Consultant in Poughkeepsie, NY, Ms. Wendy Maragh Taylor. Ms. Taylor begins by saying that many things are affecting the education system. Staff has been cut and schools have closed. When a school closes, that means the students have to go to another school and that makes that school larger. For the last 20 years, per-pupil spending has decreased. We aren't investing enough in educating our students. Ms. Taylor says that school size is a major issue. The classrooms are larger and there are not enough adults to work with them. Teacher evaluations are an issue too. There is a concept of tenure. Even if a teacher isn't performing well, should they stay working? Tenure helps teachers have jobs, but evaluations hold them accountable. Assessments are a main issue too. Our kids are underperforming the whole country over. One statistic is 1 in 4 are not actually college prepared. These are kids that get their diploma and get into college, but they aren't ready. The way we know this is by placement tests to decide what level to put them in. Students take those tests and get into developmental classes. Those students are not getting college ready for their degree. It makes them take longer to get their degree. It should be a 4 year time span. Poughkeepsie has a lower cost level, but is close to NYC. The demographics have changed in Poughkeepsie. Diversity is good, but we have to meet the challenges it brings. In Dutchess County, a lot of parents advocate for their children. They show up to board meetings. They need to show up for parent/teacher meetings. Community members that don't have children should also show up to these meetings. Mrs. Taylor says that students need to attend these programs and meetings too to show the importance.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the issue of Education and the importance of the parent/child relationship in education in the Poughkeepsie area with a member of the Bethel Missionary Baptist Education Ministry, Ms. Celestine Campbell. Ms. Campbell begins by saying parents have to understand the need for better education because often children and parents don't have the opportunity for conversations that discuss why it is important to enroll in technical school or have an education. Parents also don't realize that they need to set aside time to be around when their children are doing their homework. Parents should listen to their children read aloud and question what has been read or check that the homework is done. They also need to be in contact with the teacher and address the concerns that teachers bring up. Tutoring programs can help because kids might be more comfortable asking questions one-on-one. The tutor has the time to present the information in several different ways until the material is understood. Ms. Campbell says parents don't see that a child might need help finishing homework or they may not be able to help with the homework because they may not understand the material themselves. When this is the case, if you don't have a tutor, call a friend you might know is able to explain the material to your child. Have a study buddy for your child from their class. Parents have a larger role than they are held accountable for in the child's education. Reward children when they do things correctly. Ms. Campbell stresses that PTA meetings and school board meetings are important, but you have to have that one on one with the child.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the topic of Education, focusing on the importance of higher education in the urban setting in NYC with Professor at Alliance Theological Seminary and Pastor of Agape International Fellowship, Rev. Dr. Barbara Austin-Lucas. Rev. Dr. Lucas says that adults have to influence what young people know about higher education and its importance, especially in an urban setting. Higher education is a pathway into a new level of socio-economic status allowing them to change not only their individual circumstance but also the familial areas in their lives where they grow up poor but after higher education improve the economic conditions of their families. Often the urban setting provides a community that does not promote the need to change or that they can make a difference. Rev. Dr. Lucas stresses that education is impacted in an urban area because of the high density and concentration of problems present. Even if there are highlights and successes in NYC urban areas what you hear of is all the problems that occur. In NYC you see so many problems that you have to be intentional about highlighting what education can do to change those realities. In the city you have a higher concentration of persons in the lower economic realm who are struggling with the idea that they can be better through education. What we know about education is that when children are young, they are sponges and their minds learn the most, so we have to invest in education from a young age to impact the individual's later education. Parents who have to work several jobs in an urban setting often don't have the time to stress education to their children. School is not the only place where children are educated. They also learn in the home and parents should educate their children to understand how important education is. Houses of worship, museums, the city's many cultural offerings also have a responsibility to stress education to youth in an urban setting.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the topic of Education, focusing on Religious Education in NYC with Professor at Alliance Theological Seminary and Pastor of Agape International Fellowship, Rev. Dr. Barbara Austin-Lucas. Rev. Dr. Lucas says that religious education is important if you take into consideration that everything that you experience in life has been guided by someone who helped you see the connection and that is also what religious education is like for an individual. There are several influencers when it comes to religious education. It can be the church, school, the home or libraries that educate and help steer youth towards the right direction. Religious education helps the individual in a lifelong learning journey to understand the place that God takes in their life. Institutions and families make the commitment to help teach a child about religious transformation that occurs naturally throughout life. Religious education does this in a positive form so as to not lose a youth's perception of religious education. Religious education in NYC is often relegated to the church who has to help parents teach children about the sacramental steps in their faith and who works alongside the parent in a commitment to grow the child's faith. Religious education impacts the mind of the student and all those involved in the educational process. Each person is impacted differently because the teacher has to come up with a way to speak and teach a concept in a way that the student will understand and receive. One student that learns then impacts their family by sharing what they have learned. Rev. Dr. Lucas says that giving the student the space to know that the teacher is committed to their getting the information right and that there is a time frame to understanding the information that is not immediate lets the student know that the teacher is committed to their educational journey. Religious education is from the womb to the tomb, from the cradle to the grave; it is something that never stops.

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Host Lisa Buldo discusses the topic of Families, focusing on Families of Returning Ex-Prisoners with NE Field Director for Prison Fellowship, Mr. Jose Negrón. Mr. Negrón says families suffer an emotional toll at home thinking about what that their loved one is facing in prison: extremist groups, sexually transmitted diseases, abuse, gang violence, and other issues. Their finances might also be impacted because the family is oftentimes left without the salary of the primary breadwinner so they are experiencing lack that impacts their lifestyle. Mom may have to find two jobs to make ends meet and grandma or someone else may be watching the children, which impacts the children's safety. Children suffer the shame of having to admit that mother or father is in prison. Increased responsibilities for the parent at home working several jobs means that supervision is not what it ought to be. Diminished supervision may mean homework is not getting done or there is decline in performance for the children at school. A parent feels the danger and misery that their child is going through every day that the loved one is incarcerated. Depending on how long the parent has been in prison determines how the family will receive the returning ex-prisoner. If the stay has been short there are feelings of excitement, if the stay has been longer then there might be hard feelings from diminished relationship or even trust issues. Families are guarded and concerned about the individual returning. If the prisoner has been gone long enough, the family has replaced him and become self-sufficient without him. The contributions he will make to the family are yet to be determined. In order for the prisoner to reestablish relationship and authority within the home, he will have to scale back and keep a low profile in the home until trust is reestablished. Ex-Prisoners should have detailed re-entry plans they share with their family with steps they have to take to become reestablished into society.

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Host Tricia Rubino discusses the issue of Families and preserving the family unit in Poughkeepsie, NY with New Vision Community Economic Development Corp. representative, Mr. Edward Benson. Mr. Benson talks about the need for the family unit in the Poughkeepsie area. He says specific needs are for food, after-school programs and even financial literacy. Some families are struggling to have enough food, so they provide a food bank so that families' needs are met. Other needed resources are job-readiness programs. Mr. Benson talks about struggles that marriages face. He says one such problem is that now there is not a clear definition of what a marriage is in the United States. He says that the mother and father play a vital role in the family unit. He goes on to say that marriage is in a bad state right now. Families tend to stay married as long as it is comfortable. Mr. Benson also speaks about the need for foster parents to become "forever parents." This can occur when organizations connect parents that want to be foster parents with the right agencies, as well as partnering children with the right families. The process of becoming a foster parent is making a commitment, having room and loving children. He talks about the process with the state and government. Families must also have the financial means. Mr. Benson says their objective is to meet people where they are. They do not want to make people jump through hoops and fill out lots of paperwork to have their needs met. He goes on to speak of marriages. He encourages men to be strong mentors in the family. He says this gives kids a positive role model to look up to, something to strive to become. This not only helps boys be better, but gives women standards for the men they allow in their lives. To further help families, Poughkeepsie has a domestic violence shelter, House of Hope, for women who are battered and need safe housing.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the topic of Families, focusing on how parents can be more involved in their children's lives with Founder of Compassion For You Ministries, Ms. Anchoy Campbell. Ms. Campbell says that a parent is the child's first teacher and should build a relationship with the child from the womb because starting so early helps to build a wonderful relationship with the child. Parents should use all sorts of communication with their child, even communicating through touch or through a loving embrace. A parent's communication with their child is extremely important. Communication is both verbal and non-verbal and by initiating that communication the parent is able to start interacting with the child at a young age and through their important developmental stages. So when the child is older and going through puberty or other life moment, the child feels warm and supported by the parent. The parent always needs to have a line of supervision with the younger child making sure that they are safe and that you know what the child is doing. With older children, it's important for you to know where they are going, who they are going to be with, what they are doing and the environment they will be in. That ensues knowing that the child will not get hurt or be doing things outside of the norm. Ms. Campbell says that a sign a parent should look for to know that something is wrong with their child is a change in behavior. If the child is usually jolly and has regressed in behavior, staying in their room more often than normal, reading certain things, doing certain things, watching TV shows the parent never usually sees them watching or coming home looking different, acting strange and doing strange things then something is really wrong with the child. It's important for the parent to meet with the child and initiate the conversation by saying that they have noticed a change in the child's behavior and asking them if anything is going on. Parents should always assure their children that they are there and willing to listen whenever the child is ready to share what's going on in their life.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the topic of Families, focusing on how to be a foster parent in NYC with Christian Mental Health Counselor and Child Welfare Facilitator, Veronica Gordon, M.A. Ms. Gordon says that the process of becoming a foster parent starts with getting information. Those who want to be foster parents should get their research done by calling agencies like ACS and Family Services for more information. You will be invited to an orientation. In the orientation process you will receive information as to exactly what the requirements are to be a foster parent. The orientation is a wonderful time to meet and greet and ask all the questions that you may have. Afterwards, you will receive an application which will be reviewed by staff and if they find that all questions have been answered satisfactorily, a home finder will contact you. A home finder may be a social worker from the agency who will come out to your home to look at it and make sure that the home is safe, that the children will be secure, that it is an environment where they can grow and be nurtured. They will be interviewing everyone in your household and doing research such as looking to see if there are criminal backgrounds for all the adults living in the home, in addition to which, the state central registry will receive the prospective parent's name where they will find out if there was ever a charge of abuse or maltreatment, along with fingerprinting. It is a very comprehensive process. Foster parents are needed in a situation where for some reason or other a parent can no longer take care of their child. State-certified foster parents are trained in parenting skills that are very effective in dealing with children who are going through separation and loss and are traumatized either through physical abuse, mental abuse, sexual abuse and any other kind of abuse. Ms. Gordon states that it is very important that foster parents who are taking in children not only have love for the children but also have the skills to deal with their behaviors and emotions and just be there for them spending quality time and building up the child's self-esteem.

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Host Vijoya Chappelle discusses the topic of Families, focusing on family dynamics during pregnancy with Executive Director of the Boro Pregnancy Counseling Center, Nicole L. Bernacet, L.M.H.C., N.C.C.. Ms. Bernacet says that when a family is expecting they have a massive explosion of joy and expectations of what life is going to be like but the reality is that once they bring the baby home they quickly realize that someone has to take care of this child 24/7 for absolutely everything that child needs. There's often this sense of what did we get ourselves into? Ms. Bernacet shares that it is so difficult to communicate your feelings in an appropriate, positive way when you are sleep deprived, hungry, etc. It is very important that both parents help each other with their self-care because that goes a long way with providing effective communication with each other. Parents also have to realize that they may have to completely change things or their schedule from anything they did before the baby because their life is now determined by the baby's schedule. During pregnancy, parents should ask each other how they feel about all the aspects that will go into the care of the child once born. Parents will probably have different opinions on how to care for the baby based on their own experience and pregnancy is a good time to communicate and discover each other's thoughts on different situations like, co-sleeping, breastfeeding, formula feeding, pacifiers, and daycare. These are little things where you automatically assumed your partner would think the same thing you did and you find out they don't then that can cause a lot of conflict. If conflict does ensue, take ownership of the situation by apologizing and coming to an agreement or looking for a better way to resolve the issue. In a relationship sometimes it's just better to prefer the other person in some of the minor things like how a diaper is changed or where a diaper is changed just to keep the peace. On the bigger things like where is the baby sleeping or who is taking care of the baby if the mother has to go to work, those things have to be discussed thoroughly and comprehensively during pregnancy to come to a mutually beneficial decision for there to be harmony during the marriage.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the issue of Homelessness, focusing on homelessness in NYC, with Christian Anarfi & Flower Dang of Nyack Students Against Hunger. Ms. Dang says homelessness has increased by 10% in the past year. In 2014 there were 5000 homeless people and now there are 6000 in NYC alone and all ages and all people. Due to the increase in rents and living situations of the NYC economy, families have been put at risk for being removed from their homes. Mr. Anarfi says that some of the causes of homelessness are being laid off from work and not being able to pay rent; housing in NYC is not that affordable or even in the case of homeless youth; a child who runs away because they witness or experience abuse in the home. Homeless youth who don't have anywhere to go may start out at a friend's house or a hangout spot but eventually end up on the streets because they don't want to see the abuse at home. Ms. Dang says the trend in homelessness in NYC is more due to being mentally ill and you see the mentally ill on the streets and in the trains, but surprisingly there is also a large amount of families who are homeless and they are hiding in places you wouldn't think to look. Mr. Anarfi says some homeless don't have homes but others do and they might just suffer from difficult medical problems or even a condition like Alzheimer's. Mr. Anarfi says that for a homeless person to be able to go to a shelter there are forms they have to fill out or even go on a specific day of the week or time to be able to get into the shelter. You cannot just show up to a shelter because there are many people trying to get in. Shelters are overcrowded so there is a process to get in that usually involves a form of identification for the individual. Mr. Anarfi says the highest concentration of homeless in NYC is in the borough of Manhattan by Penn Station, Wall Street, the financial areas and Union Square Park. Mr. Anarfi says there are different organizations to partner with and volunteer at to help the homeless in NYC and you can also direct the homeless to those places.

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Host Dr. Gilda Carle discusses the topic of Homelessness, focusing on Homelessness in NYC with Rev. Gladstone Johnson of the Good Neighbors Outreach Agency in NYC. Rev. Johnson says that the current state of homelessness in NYC is that there are over 57000 citizens of NYC that are homeless. These are only the ones that can be quantified because they use the NYC shelter system. There are 25000 children and 14000 families. The economic downturn has exacerbated the problem with people needing housing, or even bathroom facilities to freshen up. Getting from the path of homelessness to the path of homeownership starts first with hope and the knowledge that others who were once homeless have achieved homeownership. Rev. Johnson says that there are many causes of homelessness but in NYC the major cause is the lack of affordable housing. There is just not enough affordable housing in NYC. Can you imagine looking for a place to live and having the finances to maybe just afford renting 1 room but just not being able to find it in NYC? Of course other causes are substance abuse or even domestic violence that contribute to people ending up homeless. Over 50% of the homeless in NYC are minorities, with African Americans and Hispanics being the largest homeless minority groups. The City of NY does have excellent programs for single mothers who have children. There are not many children and mothers on the streets of NYC because they get into shelters easily and are put into programs that lead them onto the path towards affordable housing. Rev. Johnson says that no one likes being in a shelter because there is no privacy and personal effects are violated, lost or stolen. There are lots of unhealthy things that happen in the shelters so it's better than being on the street but not much.

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Host Dr. Gilda Carle discusses the topic of Homelessness, focusing on Homelessness in NYC with Chef Pedro Rodriguez of the NYC Rescue Mission in NYC. Chef Pedro says the current state of Homelessness in NYC is about 60,000 people that go into public shelters and 30,000 people that go into private shelters like the NYC Rescue Mission. A rising rate of women and children are homeless in NYC. While New York City has done a great job of placing women and children into shelters, shelters are geared more towards single mothers than families. This means that often the father cannot enter the shelter with the mother and children. This breaking up of the family because of homelessness is very hurtful to the child. The rate of broken families and children has really grown in the last couple of years with regards to homelessness. For homeless children who live in a shelter, going to school always feels like it's on the go because they don't have a stable home. Often homework is done while receiving a hot meal at the shelter. Even though children at a shelter have a physical address it is still hard to be homeless. People living week to week and paycheck to paycheck in this economy is really what is making homelessness worse in NYC. If someone is homeless NYC has done a great job of making shelters available to the homeless who have special needs. When you see someone on the streets or panhandling, make them aware of the private and public shelters that are available in New York City. When the homeless are aggressive and not receptive to help, it's because they are hurting. Understanding that they are going through these emotions and showing them that you care by feeding them, clothing them or providing shelter, goes a long way towards getting them to accept help.

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Host Dr. Gilda Carle discusses the topic of Homelessness, focusing on Homelessness in NYC with President & CEO of The Bowery Mission in NYC, Mr. David P. Jones. Mr. Jones says that homelessness is growing in NYC. Tonight 59,000 people will be sleeping in shelters in NYC. Three thousand to 3200 are living on the streets because while the City of New York has been growing its shelter beds, they have not been working towards solving the issue of homelessness. When looking at homelessness, instead of seeing it as a problem, homelessness should be seen as a result. It is the result of many factors such as trauma that has occurred in an individual's life. These trauma events can be domestic violence, sexual assault towards women, and financial instability like a sudden downturn in finances, loss of job, and unexpected health issues. A significant portion of homeless also have mental health issues where even with medication they aren't able to live on their own and end up on the streets. There is support for the homeless through the Division of Homeless Service's shelters and non-profit entities in NYC who also help the homeless. There is a high rate of recidivism in the NYC homeless population but you also have to look at the demographics of homelessness. In NYC 50,000 families are in shelters with 25,000 of those in shelters being children. In that population, more often than not there has been an economic downturn or even one of the afore-mentioned traumas. There are programs and services in place to address those specific issues. The real challenge comes in terms of chronic homelessness. It's when you have any combination of substance abuse and mental health and then you have to deal with the root issues. Sometimes going through detox is just a temporary band aid that addresses the symptoms. You need to work with that individual to address the root issues that led them to the substance abuse that resulted in homelessness.

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Host Dr. Gilda Carle discusses the topic of Homelessness, focusing on the Road to Recovery with President & CEO of The Bowery Mission in NYC, Mr. David P. Jones. Mr. Jones says that it is important to define what recovery looks like. A homeless individual with a substance abuse issue who goes through substance abuse detox isn't someone who is no longer homeless. It is important to look at the whole individual and go through all the factors that led the individual to homelessness. Recovery means dealing with their spiritual connectedness, their family connectedness, their social connectedness with the community, their vocational connectedness in terms of having the skills that give them reason to hope. Mr. Jones explains that on the road to recovery from homelessness it is important to address those connectedness issues, have a plan and obtain support from others with the plan. There is no cookie cutter standard formula to recovery. The road to recovery is about understanding where the individual stands in the continuum of wholeness in each of the connectedness areas and then meeting them at that place and working through to where they need to be to become candidates for independent living. Recovery is not just surviving but thriving. The road to recovery from homelessness means recovery from the trauma of life that led to homelessness. Recovery from homelessness can include tools like programs, models, mentors, framing, walking alongside the individual in supporting them to partake in a different form of life. There are programs in NYC that work with these individuals for a period of 6 months to a year of peeling back the layers of the issues to get to the heart of the matter and help to instill hope in the individual that they can be free and that their life situation can change. Once hope is received by the homeless individual then they begin to invest in themselves and that is where recovery happens.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the issue of Youth, focusing on the major challenges youth face in the Poughkeepsie area, with the Executive Director of the Children’s Home of Poughkeepsie, Mr. Walter Joseph. Mr. Joseph first discusses some of the challenges facing youth today, including social media and internet. He says kids are using the internet to reach out to people that they shouldn’t be speaking to. He says some of them make poor judgments and post about it online as well. He says due to the economic nature of the country, there is less opportunity for kids to get that first job. There are volunteer opportunities that kids can get involved in. Mr. Joseph says everyone is feeling the stress from the economic struggles, including college plans. The most valuable thing for kids is the involvement of adults because they need role models. Kids will talk to adults more than we think. Mr. Joseph says we should encourage kids to get involved in activities in school and outside of school to have the opportunity to learn leadership skills. They explain that kids don’t have to be the only leader. They can be a leader by being involved and not doing things that the group does if it is not right. Kids are really looking for adults to talk to them and to teach them. Mr. Joseph says sometimes they do not want to get this from their parents, so people outside of that parental relationship can fill that role. It is important to guide kids from the sidelines and let them take risks. Instead of criticizing their mistakes, parents should take more of a coaching role instead of a disciplinarian role. Parents need to encourage their children to get involved in the community. It is important for parents to model this behavior. Even sitting down and talking with your children every day is very important.

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Host Jacqui Phillips discusses the issue of Youth, focusing on the effects of the foster care system with the Executive Director of the Children’s Home of Poughkeepsie, Mr. Walter Joseph. Mr. Joseph talks about foster care and the process of finding the right home for a child. Most kids have been removed from their home because of neglect or abuse. Mr. Joseph says in addition to foster homes, there are agency boarding homes, group homes and institutions. He discusses the effects of trauma on children and how it will affect them in the future. He discusses how the foster system affects children. He says the child is taken out of their family and put into another family. That family then will become their family. Families may end up adopting that child. He explains children who “can’t attach” have reactive attachment disorder. These children can’t be or don’t want to be in a foster home. They generally end up in a group home or institution. Mr. Joseph tells what he shared with a couple who wanted to become foster parents. He says that it is hard, and the kids will test you. They will push and misbehave. Some children want a connection with someone and will attach to people they should not. Others do not want to betray their biological family, so they prefer the group home. He talks about the difficulty with changing families and school systems within the foster care system. Mr. Joseph says that children lose about 3 to 6 months of schooling when they switch schools during the year. This can have a negative effect on their education. He talks about the resources available for kids going into the foster care system. Mr. Joseph says that families who are interested in becoming foster parents need to attend orientation and talk to current foster families if possible. They need to understand the child will be difficult and will misbehave. He says if the parents already have kids, their own children need to want to do it too because this could cause them to lose their parents’ attention.

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Host Scott Thom discusses the topic of the Youth and young girls' self-esteem in Poughkeepsie, NY, with the Director of Latino Programs for the Mill Street Loft, Michelle De la Cruz. Ms. De la Cruz begins by saying that the economic crisis has made many young people feel out of control. They want to work. They want to help their families and they feel they can't. It is affecting their overall spirit. Young women have many expectations that are different from the boys. They have much responsibility, but less freedom. In education, they are treated different. They think that the boys are smarter. Young women aren't portrayed in the media correctly. Ms. De la Cruz says that the acting out is blamed on an attitude issue and it's dismissed. She thinks it's a cry for help. Young adults act differently and we need to recognize that. Afterschool programs can really help bridge that gap. It gives them a place to be. Kids who are in after school programs do better academically. We are having issue with youth violence and the programs help stop this. They learn to work together. In teamwork, there is opportunity for conflict resolution. They have challenges and they give up too quickly. She says The Arts are a very important in processing issues with young people. Once their hands are busy, things that come out of their heart is less guarded. It helps them become more confident and we're able to work on other social issues they didn't expect to bring up. Arts Education is different from after school programs. It's an evaluation tool. She says she has heard that the students say it's too restricted and we need to let them express themselves to be beneficial. Ms. De la Cruz says that when students join after school programs, they have a place to discuss their issues. Teenagers do care about what's going on around them if we listen. She says the students talk about feeling unsafe and problems at home and school.

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Host Vijoya Chappelle discusses the topic of Youth, focusing on teen pregnancy with Executive Director of the Boro Pregnancy Counseling Center, Nicole L. Bernacet, L.M.H.C., N.C.C.. Ms. Bernacet says that in NYC of every thousand teenage girls a hundred become pregnant. The borough of the Bronx has the highest rate of teen pregnancy at 137, which is almost double the national average. Ms. Bernacet says it has become less stigmatized to become pregnant so young and in some cases there is almost a familial and cultural expectation to have children at a younger age because of the huge immigrant influx in NYC. There are some cultures that really like their young people to have children and start families at a younger age. The media also plays a huge role and New York City is a highly sexualized city so in some ways pregnancy is the natural outcome. There is often this misconception that everyone is having sex and youth feel the pressure to succumb to that mentality and the reality is that not everyone is having sex. It is estimated that 50%-60% of teens are now not having sex. Ms. Bernacet says that the reality is that with an unplanned pregnancy your life will never go back to how it was before being pregnant. Another reality is that although the statistics are for the older range of teenagers, youth in NYC are getting pregnant as early as 8th graders and junior high school students. Schools are sending youth mixed messages by handing out condoms and promoting sexuality but defunding the schools that allow pregnant teens to attend school. Ms. Bernacet states that when a teen first reads the pregnancy test and realizes they are pregnant they feel a sense of doom and as if their life is over. Emotions of shock and panic occur in the pregnant teen and they need to give themselves time to process all of those emotions. Teens ask themselves how they will be able to tell their parents, how they will finish school and how they will buy diapers. Teens in NYC should know that there are so many resources available to them. You can be young and feel like there is nothing you can do to help yourself but know that there are just so many resources available in New York City in place to help pregnant youth with the services they need. Young men that find out their partner is pregnant should know they helped to make the baby so they need to be there to support the baby and be a part of the process and in the child's life.

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