

Quarterly Needs and Programs Report

3rd Quarter 2020

Description of Programming

KGNM Perspective

A two-minute program on a topic of interest, often one of the top news stories of the week, based on interviews with the people involved. Perspective is broadcast Saturday at 5:50 am

Quality of Life

7.4.20 It's official: there will be no Chiefs training camp in Saint Joseph this summer; with Marci Bennett, executive director. Saint Joseph Convention and Visitors Bureau.

9.19.20 The Commandant of the Advanced Airlift Training Center for the 139th Airlift Wing says excitement is building for the Sound of Speed Air Show in May.

Economic Development

9.26.20 City, county, and business officials celebrate completion of a major section of the Missouri River levee improvement project; with Saint Joseph Chamber of Commerce President Patt Lilly, Colonel Bill Hannan of the US Army Corps of Engineers, Buchanan County Presiding Commissioner Lee Sawyer, and Saint Joseph Mayor Bill McMurray.

Law Enforcement

9.5.20 New laws have gone into effect that officers will enforce this Labor Day weekend; with Sgt. Jake Angle, Troop H in Saint Joseph, Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Education

7.11.20 President of Missouri Western State University announces his resignation after one year on the job; with President Matt Wilson.

7.25.20 Saint Joseph public schools will reopen this fall, but parents will have the option to enroll children in online schooling at home; with Superintendent of Schools Dr. Doug Van Zyl.

8.15.20 About 15 percent of Savannah R3 students opt for virtual classes this fall; with Jess Gillett, communications coordinator with the district.

8.29.20 Saint Joseph School District makes final preparations for opening schools Monday morning; with Tabitha Blevins, Principal, Edison Elementary, First Grade teacher Erin Wilkinson, Third Grade teacher Jennifer Shoeberl, and Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services Marlie Williams.

Government

8.22.20 Buchanan County has allocated \$6.2-million of the \$10.2-million received under the CARES Act to mitigate the coronavirus impact; with Presiding County Commissioner Lee Sawyer.

Service Organizations

8.1.20 CEO of Second Harvest Community Food Bank testifies in Congress on the organization's response to the pandemic; with Chad Higdon.

9.12.20 United Way fundraising campaign is underway; with Renita Neville, Campaign Director, United Way of Greater Saint Joseph.

Political Issues

7.18.20 Extra effort was needed to get child welfare changes through the Missouri Legislature this year; with State Representative Sheila Solon of Saint Joseph.