KTSC-FM Pueblo, CO

Quarterly Issues/Programs List Third Quarter, 2020

Date of Preparation: 10/04/2020

KTSC-FM provides its listeners with long-form programming, news stories and public service announcements that address issues of concern to our local community. Among the issues determined to be of most concern to the community during the preceding calendar quarter were:

- CSU Pueblo's COVID-19 responses related to health and safety
- Cold and flu season during a pandemic
- Non-profits and their impact helping the Pueblo community during the pandemic
- Homelessness and affordable housing
- Impact of the pandemic on the 2020 Colorado State Fair
- Food insecurity and food safety issues during the pandemic
- Smoking and vaping hazards and awareness
- Spaying and neutering pets
- COVID-19 hygiene safety and the local testing site
- Shelter pet adoption
- Drinking and driving
- Texting and driving
- Child seat safety
- Autism Awareness
- Stroke Awareness
- Childhood hunger
- Suicide prevention and awareness

Issue: How is CSU Pueblo reponding to the COVID-19 pandemic?

Discussion of Issue: CSU Pueblo was at the forefront of the COVID-19 pandemic being the first academic institution to close to the public and students in the Pueblo community in March 2020. Remote operations began immediately to finish the spring semester. Summer classes were moved entirely online. Leading into the fall semester, many students were concerned about how classes would be conducted in the fall. The university developed strategic techinques with a mix of online, hybrid and in-person course offerings and implemented many safety protocols to ensure the safety of students, faculty and staff. Additionally, many plans to mitigate the risk of COVID-19 spreading were also created, including implementing social distancing protocols.

Programming: KTSC-FM addressed this issue through several different kinds of programs, including public affairs discussions, public service announements and news stories. The following are illustrative examples of such programming

a. T-Wolf Talk 07/05/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:43 a.m.

Dr. Donna Souder-Hodge is the Chief Stategy Officer at CSU-Pueblo. She has been leading the university's COVID-19 response and planning team, has helped implement related health and safety procedures as well as lead the university's reopening plan. Dr. Souder-Hodge explained how difficult it was to make the decision to close the university in March. She said CSU Pueblo President Timothy Mottet was at the forefront of the pandemic and wanted to make sure that facility and student safety was at the top of the decision. The university had decided to close on March 13, 2020 and moved to a complete online model and was able to avoid having any cases on campus. Looking ahead to the fall, Dr. Souder-Hodge says that most students can expect to know that it is, "going to look different," but this doesn't have to mean that it is necessarily a bad thing. She says that university leaders have the safety of the students and facility at the forefront of their minds. Many students had been upset about tuition prices during the online model, to which Dr. Souder-Hodge says that CSU Pueblo decided to have no increase in tuition to maintain their student happiness. The main goal Dr. Souder-Hodge says during this time is to make sure the most quality education is offered even if it has to be in a remote model. (Local).

b. T-Wolf Talk 07/19/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:43 a.m.

Dr. Donna Souder-Hodge is the Chief Strategy Officer at CSU Pueblo, and is at the forefront of the COVID-19 response and planning team on the CSU Pueblo campus. Dr. Souder-Hodge says that everyone needed to be on board in order to make the plan work. CSU Pueblo operated

remotely from March 12, 2020 until about mid-July. She explained the safety protocols including multiple COVID-19 screening sites set up all around campus to make sure that everyone who was on campus was checked for symptoms, making sure to midigate the risk of COVID-19 on campus. CSU Pueblo officials are making sure to coordinate with the local health department to make sure they can carry on in the safest way possible to be able to run a school with two thousand plus students in the fall. (Local).

c. T-Wolf Talk 09/06/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:49 a.m.

Carol Daugherty is the Director of Student Health Services on the CSU Pueblo campus as well as a member of the university's COVID-19 response and planning team. Student Health Services at CSU Pueblo has a focus on keeping students healthy and is led by a nursing program that is listed in the top 10 programs in the United States. Daughtery talked about the expansion of SHS being able to make a telehealth visit via a medical provider and can treat different students to make sure they are healthy. Daugherty also talked about the protocol of giving a student who has symptoms, that may mirror symptoms of COVID-19, the rapid test that is available on the CSU Pueblo campus. Daugherty wanted to let students know that of course, they want to meet and party with their friends, but for public health and for the health of those who are vulnerable, students need to do their best to mitigate the spread of COVID-19. (Local.)

Issue: How has the United Way of Pueblo County helped other non-profit organizations and citizens during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Discussion of Issue: The magnitude of the COVID-19 pandemic affected the local Pueblo in many different ways. Issues of affordable housing, hunger, loss of income, loss of wages, etc. affected individuals, businesses and local non-profit organizations. The United Way of Pueblo County assisted the community by awarding many grants to help offset expenses and support different area non-profits which had seen a big influx in the number of people the organizations served in the community.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 07/12/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:35 a.m.

Shanna Farmer, President and CEO of the United Way of Pueblo County. Farmer says that it was difficult to set up fundraising events, such as the Liberty Point 5K in a virtual format. Given that the event usually brings in about 600 to 700 people, the UWPC was able to reimagine the event and host it in a virtual manner. There were also many new grants established to help different non-profits to get extra funds to assist the community. Farmer explained there were many families that were just a paycheck away from not being able to make ends meet and were suffering financially. She explained that the UWPC emergency fund has helped fund organizations that previously have not been recipients of grants from the local United Way chapter. Farmer noted that they have dontated funds to organizations with a wide range of organizations who serve the community by helping with issues including: mental health services, pro-bono counseling services, high-risk parents, suicide rates, housing, emergency services, child abuse prevention and other critical services in the community. (Local.)

Issue: What is being done to address the issue of homelessness due to the pandemic in Pueblo?

Discussion of Issue: During the month of August, many people were in fear of losing their homes in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic. Pueblo Triple Aim was looking to find more affordable housing for those who may have been losing their homes due to unemployment. Additionally, stimulus checks were sent to all Americans who qualified. However, a lot of those Americans did not have a mailing address and were homeless when the checks were sent.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 07/26/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:47 a.m.

Alexis Ellis is the Executive Director of the Pueblo Triple Aim Cooperation, during this interview she talked about looking to find more affordable housing options for people who are combating homelessness during a difficult time with COVID-19 impacting people in the Pueblo community in every possible way. Some of the options that were talked about were getting new zoning from the city as well as working with other non-profit organizations to work and make the growing population of homelessness start to slow. (Local.)

b. T-Wolf Talk 09/13/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:40 a.m.

Paula Choster, Director of Funds and Campaign Management for the Pueblo County United Way, talked about their program that helps different people in the Pueblo community who are experiencing homelessness and received a stimulus check, but were not able to access it because of the lack of direct deposit information or not having a mailing address. Choster talked about how Pueblo County United Way has seemed to be able to give more support to the community than ever, but they had also had more help from the Pueblo community. (Local.)

Issue: Is there a rise in food safety concerns with more people cooking at home during the pandemic?

Discussion of Issue: While more people were learning to cook from home in the middle of a pandemic, many who may be cooking for the first time, the question arose about how people in the Pueblo community have been practicing good food safety, and what the definition of good food safety means.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 08/02/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:57 a.m.

b. T-Wolf Talk 08/16/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:57 a.m.

Josh Gallegos, Environmental Health Specialist for the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment, talked about the temperature to cook different foods to make sure that they are safe to eat. He explained the importance of making sure people in the Pueblo community are practicing good food safety so people can stay healthy at times while many hospitals are focused on fighting a pandemic. Gallegos also touched on making sure the food is packaged and chilled properly so bacteria cannot feast on the food. A rebroadcast of this show aired on August 16, 2020. (Local.)

Issue: What are the dangers of smoking and vaping?

Discussion of Issue: Focus over the years has been focused on how the younger generation has been focused on vaping. The federal age for tobacco and nicotine products was moved to 21-years-old at the beginning of 2020. The Pueblo Department of Public Helath and Environment is trying to take steps to curve nicotine addiction and raise awarness of the consequences of smoking and vaping and the impact these habits have on an individual's health.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 08/09/2020 7:00 a.m. – 8:01 a.m.

Scott Schule and Libby Stout, are both coordinators with the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment (PDPHE). Their goal is to help people in the Pueblo community quit addictions including nicotine. Stout has worked in addictions counseling for over 20 years. Stout talked about how nicotine has been engrained in our society since it's inception in the early 1800s. Scott Schule runs PDPHE's programs to help people get off of nicotine addiction, and talked about how nicotine is the only drug where, "if it is used like it is supposed to, it kills you." Schule also talked about how unregulated the vape industry is by the FDA and the federal government and how unsafe this may become for the younger generation. They explained the harmful effects of vaping and the cause of the addiction which may be due to an increase in external stressors. (Local.)

Issue: What is being done to address the issue of food insecurity in Pueblo?

Discussion of Issue: Given the large percentage of people facing unemployment this year, many families in the Pueblo community have been struggling with food insecurity. Food banks have been trying to work harder than ever to try and supply food to families who need it.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 08/23/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:49 a.m.

Joanna Wise is the Marketing and Communications Director for the Care and Share Food Bank. She talked about how Care and Share is the main hub where food is bought from different distributors, including Walmart and King Soopers. Care and Share is then able to deliver food to 30 different counties and their different food pantries. Wise talked about how Care and Share allows the local food pantries to take care of the people in their community directly, since they know how to better provide for their needs because they are entwined. Care and Share is also working to open their own food pantry in Pueblo's east side which is known as a "food desert" because of the lack of grocery stores. (Local.)

Issue: How will the Colorado State Fair be able to operate amidst the COVID-19 pandemic?

Discussion of Issue: As the COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact events and local businesses, many state fairs around the country were canceled or post-ponned. This year marked the 148th anniversary of the Colorado State Fair. Since the state fair has such a huge impact on the Pueblo economy, many people were worried about the fair being canceled entirely. After much consideration and work with the local health department, the Colorado State Fair announced that it would be "reimagined" for 2020.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 08/30/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:37 a.m.

Scott Stoller is the General Manager for the Colorado State Fair. He explained that plans were already in motion for a normal 2020 State Fair, but COVID-19 had different plans. Stoller says that his team had to think outside the box to still host a 2020 Colorado State Fair. They focused more on 4H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) events, and was still able to put together a slopper eating competition with professional eater Joey Chestnut. Additionally, he explained the success of drive-thru fair food, which other fairs across the nation had also conducted this year, in liue of the traditional in-person fair food booths. He was proud of the local attendance for the drive-thru fair food and said there were a lot of changes made to make the 2020 fair very technologically accessible. Their overall goal was to try and think of ways to change and adapt to the new cirscumstances, but make it so that the fair was still there, but it just looked a little different. (Local.)

Issue: Will the cold and flu season be a bigger problem given the COVID-19 pandemic happening at the same time?

Discussion of Issue: With cold and flu season rounding the corner, fears had arisen about people getting sick in higher numbers because of all the viruses circulating around. Many people are concerned about knowing the differences of whether they are experiencing a cold, the flu, allergies or the coronavirus. There is also a renewed push from public health officials for people to get their flu shots this year.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 09/20/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:42 a.m.

Zak VanOoyen is an RN/BSN who works as a program director for the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment. VanOoyen talked about the importance of the flu vaccine especially this year when there is a global pandemic looming in the background. VanOoyen talked about the fear that public health officials have with people getting the flu and then getting infected with COVID-19. The Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment has had a COVID-19 testing site that has been open to the public and VanOoyen encouraged anyone who is showing symptoms to go to the Colorado State Fairgrounds to get tested for COVID-19. (Local.)

Issue: Why is it important to spay and neuter pets?

Discussion of Issue: Overpopulation of stray cats and dogs is an on-going issue in Pueblo. Pet owners are advised to be responsible and get their pets spayed and neutered so that the animal population can be better controlled, and to get their pets vaccinated to reduce the number of animal spread diseases.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 09/27/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:41 a.m.

Lisa Bucambuso is the executive director for the Southern Colorado Spay and Neuter Clinic and talked about the importance for people to get their animals vaccinated so their little family members can stay healthy, as well as the importance for them to get their furry friends spayed and neutered, so that there is not an overpopulation of animals in the community. Bucambuso talked about the rescue for animals that is operated out of the clinic and talked about different missions that she goes on with her team to make sure that animals who may have been lost in different counties will be found and placed in the local shelter of the county that they are in. (Local.)

b. Public Services Announcements PSA'S, 30 sec., variable:

KTSC-FM broadcast a number of public service announcements throughout the three months providing information about COVID-19 hygiene practices and English and Spanish PSAs for the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment COVID-19 testing site, texting and driving, autism awareness, bullying, stroke awareness, child safety and car seats, stroke awareness, wildfire safety, emergency preparedness, driving under the influence of alcohol, adoption and foster care, childhood hunger, suicide awareness, and shelter pets. (Recorded.)

c. News Programming

During the last quarter, KTSC-FM News Department covered important events relating to a variety of local community issues broadcast in our daily five-minute news brief airing at 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; duration of 25 minutes per week, totaling 125 minutes of news programming for the last three months. (Local).

d. American Radio Journal

In addition to our T-Wolf Talk local long-form public affairs program, we added American Radio Journal to our Sunday morning programming. These pre-recorded shows are 30 minutes in duration and air at 5:00 a.m. MST. The following descriptions of the shows are listed in reverse-chronological order and are submitted for inclusion in the station's 3Q 2020 Quarterly Issues and Programs List.

The descriptions of the programs listed below were compiled by American Radio Journal:

American Radio Journal

2020 Q3 Program Notes for Public Files

(September 26, 2020 - October 2, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Yaron Brook** of the Ayn Rand Institute about the impact of the eviction moratorium; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Supreme Court confirmation process; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Myron Ebell** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about the cause of California wild fires; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Karl Marx and the toppling of statues.

(September 18,2020 - September 25, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Brandon Wright** from the Thomas B. Fordham Institute about getting the most bang for the education buck; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on competitive U.S. Senate races; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at Joe Biden's spending proposals; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on problems with mail-in voting.

(September 12, 2020 - September 18, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) about the latest *Rich States/Poor States* report; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the post-Labor Day Presidential campaign; **Eric Boehm** from *Reason* magazine talks with **Christina Martin** of the Pacific Legal Foundation about a potential U.S. Supreme Court case defending individual property rights; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the growing political influence of social media.

(September 5, 2020 - September 11, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Timothy Head** from the Faith & Freedom Coalition about the importance of the faith-based vote in the 2020 Presidential election; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Congressional Fall agenda; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at the skyrocketing national debt; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* on the folly of de-funding the police.

(August 29, 2020 - September 4, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Hans von Spakovsky** of the Heritage Foundation about ballot security; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the impact of social unrest on the Presidential election; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Yuval Levin** from the American Enterprise Institute about the real problem with mail-in voting; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Joe Biden and corruption.

(August 22, 2020 - August 28, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Zack Smith** of the Heritage Foundation about potential U.S. Supreme Court Justice nominees; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth looks at the proposed U.S. Postal Service bail-out bill; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at Donald Trump's foreign policy

record; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the dollar's perilous status as the world currency.

(August 15, 2020 - August 21, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with Congressman **Ken Buck** author of the new book *Capitol of Freedom*:

*Restoring America's Greatness; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the President's COVID-19 economic relief executive orders; **Eric Boehm** and **C.J.***Ciaramella of *Reason* magazine look at Senator Kamala Harris' record as California Attorney General; And, Dr. *Paul Kengor* from the Center for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the "cancel culture.

(August 8, 2020 - August 14, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ellen Weaver** from the Palmetto Promise Institute about a new school choice program; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on efforts to craft a new economic stimulus bill; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine explains why there should be no state bail-out in the stimulus bill; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on U.S. Senate hearings into recent civil unrest.

(August 1, 2020 - August 7, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with former U.S. Senator **Jim DeMint** about his new book *Saving America from Socialism*; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on why the U.S. economy needs to fully re-open; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about unrealistic teacher union demands to re-open schools; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) ask whether to mask or not to mask?

(July 25, 2020 - July 31, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Shaun Flanagan** of the Legatum Institute about their 2020 U.S. Prosperity Index; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on negotiations for a new stimulus package; **Eric Boehm** from *Reason* magazine discusses price gouging with **Ryan Young** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith and Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on toppling religious statues.

(July 18, 2020 - July 24, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ian Jefferies** from the Association of American Railroads about the state of the railroad industry; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on results of the Alabama U.S. Senate runoff election; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about the importance of voters who currently support neither Presidential candidate; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Critical Race Theory.

(July 11, 2020 - July 17, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with pollster **Scott Rasmussen** about the proposed Workplace Recovery Act; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a potential new stimulus package; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Ryan Young** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute about ending tariffs as part of the next stimulus package; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the abuse of power by some state governors.

(July 4, 2020 - July 10, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Dave Chase** of Health Rosetta about how municipal governments can cut health care costs; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a congressional primary election upset in Colorado; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Corey DeAngelis** of the Reason Foundation about a U.S. Supreme Court victory for school choice advocates; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on how Marxists are hijacking the movement for racial equality.

(June 27, 2020 - July 3, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** gets details on judicial backlogs due to COVID-19 from Judge **Kevin Allen** (Ret.) of the Center for Growth & Opportunity at Utah State University; **Scott Parkinson** has the *Real Story* on primaries in North Carolina and Kentucky; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses a GAO report of \$1.4 billion in Coronavirus relief money going to dead people; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why U.S. Senator Tim Scott is a modern day Frederick Douglass.