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**Period Covered:** 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter (October-December, 2014)

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1. JUVENILE ISSUES: As Murfreesboro, and Rutherford County, Tennessee's population continues to explode, youth related problems continue to increase. Juvenile Court Judge Donna Scott Davenport interacted with the public on what parents need to do to be aware of problems before they get out of hand and what to do if you are against the wall and don't know what to do next. Issues dealing with guardian ad litem was discussed. Programs on this topic aired Oct. 1, Nov. 5, and Dec. 3, 2013.

2. SUICIDE: Sadly a growing number of persons take their own lives, and a surprising number of younger persons are in those statistics. On Oct. 4, 2013 Ashley Hosfield interacted with the public about a support group for Rutherford Countians who have lost a loved-one to suicide. Bullying is a growing cause of suicide locally. On Dec. 13, 2013, State Farm Insurance' Kip Diggs tells of the importance of support groups, especially during holiday seasons.

3. COLD WEATHER AND FIRES: As the winter season nears and temperatures get colder, more and more fires destroy homes and memories. On October 7, 2013, Assistant Fire Chief Tracy Summar and Michael Bartlett along with Murfreesboro Fire & Rescue's PIO Ashley McDonald tell how to reduce your potential to be a victim of fire.

4. LAW AND ORDER: Increases in drug and substance abuse, especially in the area of creating, selling and using synthetic drugs is a growing issue. Murfreesboro Police Chief Glenn Chrisman addressed this issue on Oct. 2, Nov. 6, and Dec. 3, 2013. In addition, Rutherford County Sheriff Robert Arnold interacted with the public on Oct. 16, Nov. 20, and Dec. 18, 2013.

5. LINEBAUGH LIBRARY: How important is reading to a community? Head Librarian Rita Shacklett interacts with the public about the need to expand the local public library and how the public is demanding different services. She talked with the public about computer classes, story telling for

youngsters, resume writing, and reading groups for all ages and interests. This topic was covered on Oct. 15, and Dec. 17, 2013.

6. ECONOMY: For the past 2-years there has been a slow, but steady, upward trend in the local economy. However, long term unemployment continues to be an issue. On Oct. 23, 2013, Tennessee Career Center's Laura Knox interacted with the public on what to do if workplace downsizing has left you jobless.

7. EDUCATION: Preparing our youth for a successful future is the focus of the Murfreesboro City School system as well as Rutherford County Schools. Representatives from the fifth largest public school systems in Tennessee, talk about local challenges and their successes. This topic was covered in depth on Oct. 28, Nov. 13, Dec. 23, 2013. In addition, on Nov. 8, 2013 Read To Succeed presented ways to reduce illiteracy problems.

8. COURTS/DISTRICT ATTORNEY/COLD CASES: Since this is one of the fastest growing communities in the U.S., the court dockets stay consistently full. District Attorney General Bill Whitesell and Assistant DA J. Paul Newman talk with listeners about the local courts and the numerous unique programs that are designed to handle Murfreesboro and Rutherford County, TN criminal and court concerns. This topic was covered on-the-air on Nov. 1, and Dec. 4, 2013.

9. FLU SEASON: The health community is seeing increasing trends in flu locally, and on Nov. 14, 2013, Murfreesboro Medical Center's Pamela Singer talked about the potential of a deadly season and how it peaks and January or February.

10. HOMELESS: A colder than normal winter is forecast for this area and on Dec. 2, 2013, Journey Home Director Scott Foster interacted with the public on ways to help the less fortunate as well as suggestion for those persons who find themselves in this predicament.

This station continues to monitor closely the concerns and questions from the population here in Murfreesboro and Rutherford County, TN. These issues were the ones most frequently mentioned during this quarter. As a result, special programming designed to create public interaction was broadcast on the dates listed in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

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