

**ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT**

**FOR**

**WRCH HD2**

**THIRD QUARTER 2019**

**(July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup>)**

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## **WRCH PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES**

**1. Spotlite: (Sundays, 7:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.)**

**Hosted by Mary Scanlon, this program features topical issues of concern to the community and the state**

## **QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS REPORT**

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### **MOST SIGNIFICANT ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING**

**ISSUE: HEALTH/SAFETY**

**Spotlite  
July 14, 2019  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Ian Race from the Epilepsy Foundation discussed The Epilepsy Foundation of Connecticut's dedication to improving the lives of people with epilepsy and their families. They are Connecticut's only affiliate of the national Epilepsy Foundation. (Also listed in "Childcare")**

**Spotlite  
August 4, 2019  
7:00 a.m.  
30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Kelly Isenor from The American Red Cross Blood Services discussed the call for blood and platelet donors, the American Red Cross continues to face an emergency blood shortage. All eligible donors are urged to give now.**

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**Spotlite  
August 18, 2019**

**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Latoya Taylor from AIDS CT. AIDS Connecticut (ACT), in partnership with its member agencies discussed improving the lives of people impacted by HIV through care and supportive services, housing, advocacy and prevention.**

**Spotlite**  
**August 25, 2019**  
**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**HOPE Family Justice Center of Greater New Haven to addresses obstacles to obtaining domestic violence services. The HOPE Family Justice Center (HFJC) is a multi-disciplinary team of professionals who work together, under one roof, to provide coordinated services to victims of family violence. (Also listed under "Childcare" & "Social")**

**Spotlite**  
**September 1, 2019**  
**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Kevin W. Reese discusses his previous health battles that helped him create a method called the Three D's (Diet, De-Stress & Detox). The Three D's has become the structure to The Sunlight Shift, his 1-Year lifestyle program where fruits and vegetables are a major component to living a sickness free healthy life.**

**Spotlite**  
**September 8, 2019**  
**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Bryte Johnson, Government Relations Director, American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network discussed opportunities for the state of Connecticut to improve its efforts around tobacco control cancer, prevention and improving access to care.**

**Spotlite**  
**September 15, 2019**  
**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

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adults. (Also listed under “Childcare”)

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**ISSUE: SOCIAL**

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**July 7, 2019**  
**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Susan Linker from Our Companions Animal Rescue discussed the Connecticut based organization that promises to always do the right thing for animals, regardless of the challenge or cost. (Also listed under “Environmental”)**

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**ISSUE: ELDERLY**

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**April 7, 2019**  
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**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Molly Rees Gavin President Connecticut Community Care, Inc. discussed The Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders (CHCPE). The CHCPE helps people continue living at home instead of going to a nursing home. Part 1 of 2 (Also listed in "Health/Safety")**

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**Spotlite**  
**May 26, 2019**  
**7:00 a.m.**  
**30 Minutes of each 30 Minute Program**

**Greg Gagne from Halloran Sage and Liam Brennan from the Connecticut Veterans Legal Center discussed their program that helps veterans recovering from homelessness and mental illness overcome legal barriers to housing, healthcare and income. (Also listed under “Social”)**

**ISSUE: EDUCATION**

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