# 4<sup>TH</sup> QUARTER 2010 STATION STORY COMMITMENT

WWTV/WWUP covers over 32 counties in Northern Michigan. This being the case we make sure that daily our news coverage focuses on things impacting the community locally in all of our areas. We try to uncover injustices daily, work hard to tell people's stories and give them the information that they need throughout the day.

For the 4<sup>TH</sup> quarter of 2010 we focused our coverage on several impactful story subject matters. These subjects include:

Unemployment State Budget Education Local Weather Tourism

The following pages will list all of the stories that we have done regarding the above subject matters.

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### OCTOBER 2010

	10/1/10 Tourism	TOURISM: Increased summer tourism at hotels and camp grounds
	10/4/12 Unemployme State Budget	AAR LAYOFFS: Mass layoffs at AAR mobility in Cadillac nt
		HEATING ASSISTANCE: Human Services get cuts in funding making it Tougher for people to get heating help in the winter months
	10/6/10 Education	MANTON POVERTY: 65% of Manton school students come from families in need
	10/12/10 Education	EDUCATION: Public education spending bill, Governor Granholm vetoes the bill
	State Budget Tourism	MEAP TESTS: elementary school students take the MEAP test LIQUOR SALES: Governor vetoed Sunday morning sales of liquor TC WINE: USA Today names Traverse City in top ten places for great local wine
	10/14/10 Education Tourism	CMU PRESIDENT: Central Michigan inducted George Ross as new university president BUSY HOTELS: Hotels are still full despite falling fall temperatures
	10/20/10 Unemploy	MI UNEMPLOYMENT: Michigan unemployment rate is on the decline Sitting at 13%; lowest since March 2009
	10/26/10 Weather	FIRE DEPT: Wild winds left a big mess to clean up, fire departments worked around the clock to keep people safe and roads clear
	10/27/10	BUSY DISPATCH: All the wind created a big mess through Leelanau County; central dispatch took at least 132 calls
	10/28/10	POWER OUTAGE: tens of thousands of people in Wexford County are still without power; tree trimming companies are busy

### NOVEMBER

11/1/10 Education	CMU PROTESTOR: Westboro Baptist Church takes its controversial views to Central Michigan University
11/5/10 Employ	PRISON REOPEN: GEO Prison in Baldwin reopens, creating hundreds of new jobs in Lake County
11/8/10 Education	CMU ROBBERY: second attempted robbery at Central Michigan University in the new semester
11/10/10 Unemploy	HOSPITAL CUTS: Northern Michigan Regional Health System announced they're cutting 50 positions
11/18/10 Education Weather	TCAPS BRAINSTORMING: Traverse City Area Public Schools holds a community forum for ideas on improving education UP SNOW: Upper Peninsula gets its first substantial snow fall
11/22/10 State Budget Education	NO SKI MONEY: State's cross county ski trails will go ungroomed this winter because of funding cuts from DNRE's budget GRAD STRUGGLES: College grads struggle to find a job
11/23/10 Weather	ROAD CREWS: Snow expected for the Thanksgiving week leaves road crews preparing to keep things clean and clear for travelers
11/24/10 Weather	TVC TRAFFIC: Messy mix of weather delays some flights heading into Thanksgiving
11/26/10 Weather	SAFE DRIVING: Roads are icing over causing plenty of accidents
11/30/10 Unemploy Education	UNEMPLOYMENT: Possible extension for thousands receiving unemployment benefits BUS DRILL: Traverse City students practice what to do in case of An emergency on their bus

### DECEMBER

12/1/10 Weather	WINTER WX: Lake effect snow on its way, Sault Ste. Marie says bring it on, but with it comes dangerous driving conditions and lots of rollover accidents
12/2/10 Education	TEACHER BILL: A bill moves forward in Lansing that would put more pressure on teachers to see their students succeed
12/6/10 Weather	WEATHER OUTSIDE: Bad road conditions keep road commission crews busy on the roads
12/8/10 Employ Education	VANDY CASINO: Bay Mills Resort and Casino expanding their new casino in Vanderbilt SCHOOL LUNCHES: President Obama is expected to sign a bill to Increase regulation on school lunch programs
12/10/10 Weather	PLOW PRIORITIES: With a major storm rolling in, road commission will tackle the snow filled streets TVC DELAYS: Bad winter weather delays flights at TVC airport
12/12/10 Weather	WINTER STORM BIZ: Businesses stay open and brave the winter weather to serve the determined shoppers
12/14/10 Unemploy	MTP BUDGET PASSED: Mt Pleasant cut their budget by \$1 million and had to cut 10 jobs from varying departments
12/13/10 Weather	MESSY ROADS: Road commission can't keep up with the snowfall POWER OUTAGES: 80,000 people without power POSTAL WORKERS: 200 area schools closed, but postal workers Fight the winter weather
12/15/10 Tourism	PURE MI: Pure Michigan funding is secured for winter tourism, giving Grand Traverse Resort a boost
12/17/10 Tourism	SNOW BUSINESS: Businesses across Northern Michigan will see a big boost in sales
12/19/10 Tourism	WINTER TOURISM: Winter tourism in Cadillac area – snowmobiling and skiing
12/30/10	GAS PRICES IMPACT: High gas prices affect local tourism
Tourism Unemploy	VILLAGE CUTS: Suttons Bay eliminates two police officers