

***KMBZ-FM & KMBZ-AM (Simulcast of KMBZ-FM)***

***QUARTERLY LISTING OF PROBLEMS AND NEEDS***

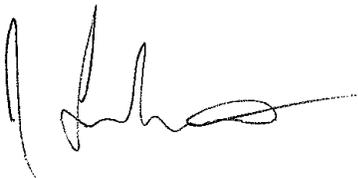
April, 2014 – June, 2014

Each quarter, ***KMBZ-FM & KMBZ-AM*** places in its Public Inspection File a list of what it considers to have been some of the significant problems and needs of its service area and some of its most significant programming broadcast to help meet those problems and needs.

The attached Quarterly Listing of Problems and Needs is being filed in the Public Inspection File of Stations ***KMBZ-FM & KMBZ-AM*** in accordance with FCC requirements for the three month period April, 2014-June, 2014. While this list contains a brief description of much of ***KMBZ-FM & KMBZ-AM's*** most significant typical and illustrative programs and program segments, it does not include all programs and program segments broadcast by the station during the three months which related to other issues.



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## **KMBZ-AM QUARTERLY LISTING OF PROBLEMS AND NEEDS**

April, 2014 – June, 2014

### **1. BUSINESS/JOB**

The economy is still sluggish, but the prevailing thought is the worst is behind us. Local companies are hiring again, and in fact, the unemployment rate in Kansas City is lower than the national average.

### **2 VIOLENCE/CRIME**

Crime continues to be a major problem facing the Kansas City area. New statistics out show that violent crime is up among all ages and races and in all cities. White collar crime is also becoming a problem for businesses. The Kansas City Crime Commission working to better enable police departments with new information. Kansas City Police Department revamping and looking at more police on streets.

### **3. GOVERNMENT**

Local problems exist at city hall in Kansas City, Missouri as the Mayor continues to wrangle with the city council over several issues including that of his wife. A recent effort to recall the mayor is underway. As both Kansas and Missouri lawmakers get set to convene next quarter, numerous committees are drafting legislative proposals dealing with education, infrastructure and immigration.

### **4. EDUCATION**

The battle to find education dollars for both Kansas and Missouri still a hot topic as the legislative session will begin next quarter. Missouri is looking at a problem with student loans and how to handle the agency that is in charge. Many of the local school districts, such as Shawnee Mission, Liberty, Kansas City are facing money issues, and with the state's economies continuing to slide many of the education dollars are being withheld. Kansas City, Missouri continues its search for a new superintendent.

### **5. MINORITIES**

As Congress tries to come up with a plan on how to deal with illegal immigrants, Kansas city's Hispanic community rallies joining other cities nationwide to try and show how important the worker's are to the economy. Meanwhile, area churches are trying to find ways to battle racism. Missouri lawmakers looking at measure to punish businesses and landlords that hire and house illegals.

### **6. YOUTH**

The growing crime rate in Kansas City has hit the area youth hard. The nationwide school shootings causing more schools to crackdown on any truancy problems. Many of the homicide victims have been young and officials are concerned about growing gang violence. There is concern that as the economy continues to slide, more and more young people will be out of work, and could turn to crime.

### **7. DRUGS**

While both states have made headways into the problem of drugs in the metro area, methamphetamine is still the drug of choice. While both states have enacted legislation to crack down on over the counter medicines that can be used to make meth, law enforcement officials say it's too early to tell if the measures are working. New surveys out that while hard drugs are on a decline among teens, prescription drugs are now the number one problem.

## **8. WOMEN**

The issues of low pay and lack of child care continue to be problems among working women in the metro area. As the metro area braces for the economic downturn, more women are seeing their jobs eliminated and that is adding to pressure. More employers though seem to be working better with women in the area of health care and that has been noted as a plus among women's organizations.

## **9. HEALTH**

Missouri and Kansas committees are looking at how to handle the ranks of the under and uninsured. Kansas City health department trying to work up plans on how to battle a pandemic if and when it occurs here. The focus of health care will be a big topic in the upcoming presidential election, and as the campaigns come through Kansas City, many are asking the candidates their views.

## **10. CHARITY**

Area food banks have been tapped, and more charities are seeing more and more working poor coming to their doors. The holiday season was a tough one for area charities, and they are still playing catch up.

## **Business/Jobs**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.7.14: President Barack Obama plans to sidestep Congress this week and issue an order prohibiting federal contractors from retaliating against workers who discuss their pay. He'll also direct the Labor Department to issue new rules requiring federal contractors to provide compensation data that includes a breakdown by race and gender. And the Senate is expected to take up gender pay equity legislation that would affect all employers, but the White House-backed bill doesn't have enough Republican support to overcome procedural obstacles.

5.8.14: Hy-Vee officials will meet with the Leawood City Council to discuss its grocery store at 122nd and State Line Road, but the store will close as scheduled June 1. Hy-Vee announced last month it would close the store because it could not agree with city officials about an extra half-cent tax that would be imposed to those who shop at the renovated store. The meeting is set for May 19th. If Hy-Vee reaches an agreement -- the company says it will open a renovated store that would include a full service restaurant and expanded food selection. Hundreds of people packed the city council meeting on Monday complaining the city wasn't doing enough to keep the grocery store.

5.8.14: The Cordish Company has filed their much-anticipated counter suit against the lawyer who filed a discrimination lawsuit against them, claiming racism at the Power & Light District. Cordish says Linda Dickens spread false statements to media outlets across the metro and claims those statements have hurt their business at Power & Light. The company is accused of hiring white males or "rabbits" to start fights with African Americans in P&L. The second lawsuit claimed the Cordish Company fired Glen Cusimano because he was black. In the lawsuit, Cordish claims Dickens threatened witnesses into making false statements and made a "scheme to defraud the public" about the reputation of P&L.

## **Violence/Crime**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.7.14: Three homicides in just three days. And this morning, residents of Kansas City's East Side say they are worried for their safety. The latest happened just after midnight. Police say a man an 18-year old man was shot in front of a house in the 49-hundred block of Agnes. Just about 24 hours before ... Kansas City police say a man stabbed a 40-year old man to death after a fight involving a woman. That one happened yesterday morning in the 8400 block of East 55th Street. And Saturday afternoon 20-year old Alonzo Thomas the 4th was found shot to death in the front door of his home at East Gregory Boulevard and Wayne Avenue near Forest Hill Cemetery.

4.10.14: It appears the rising cost of gas has thieves bypassing the pump. Police say they are investigating a series of crimes at Northland Apartment complexes ... in which thieves are drilling holes in the gas tanks of SUVs and trucks and draining them of gas. One dealership along I-29 says they have had at least 14 people come in for repairs to their gas tanks. Kansas City police could not confirm that number ... but do say there is an investigation underway. So far, police do not have any suspects.

4.14.14: Heartbreaking. That's how President Obama describes the shooting at the Jewish Community Center and Village Shalom. The president issued a statement saying quote -- Michelle and I offer our thoughts and prayers to the families and friends who lost a loved one and everyone affected by this tragedy. I have asked my team to stay in close touch with our federal, state and local partners and provide the necessary resources to support the ongoing investigation." President Obama is pledging the full support of the federal government during what he called "this trying time."

4.16.14: Investigators are looking into another possible highway shooting here in the metro. It happened back on April 3rd along 470 near Lakewood Boulevard. Police say they have stepped up patrols in the area. So far, at least 20 cars have been shot along various roadways ... with most of the shootings happening in the Grandview Triangle. At least 12 of the cases have been connected, but police won't go into many more details. Three people have been hurt, luckily, none seriously. Investigators have not released a suspect description. A seven thousand dollar reward is being offered for any information leading to an arrest. Police say they have received more than 100 tips.

## **Government**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.7.14: Governor Sam Brownback and Kansas tourism officials are planning an event in Wichita this week to launch this year's promotional campaign for promoting the state's destinations. The event is scheduled for Wednesday morning at Exploration Place in Wichita. Brownback and the other officials are unveiling the campaign under the Kansas tourism brand. It is, "There's No Place Like Kansas." The tourism agency also said that the event will feature Kansan and Nashville country music artist Logan Mize. Promotional videos to be shown around the nation will feature a Mize song called "Sunflowers."

4.25.14: Who hasn't worked overtime? Well the Johnson County Sheriff is asking for an extra three million dollars to cover the costs of his deputies working lots of overtime. A county audit revealed that some deputies have accumulated upwards of \$200,000 over three years. Sheriff Frank Denning is offering the county some suggestions to reduce the high costs -- including hiring 40 new employees. He says it will cut the amount of overtime in half, but will still cost the county an extra \$2 million dollars. County commissioners say to come up with the extra money -- they would either have to cut other department budgets or the costs will fall to tax payers.

5.7.14: They've been looking into it for almost a year, and the Airport Advisory Council will make their recommendation on the future of KCI at 10:00 this morning. It's an issue with strong opinions on both sides. For example, Danny supports a new terminal. He believes a more up-to-date structure would bring new air lines...which means more direct flights. Jillian thinks a new airport would make a good impression on visitors, but she has some hesitations. The Airport Advisor Council has been studying the issue for almost a year...and they've finally reached a conclusion. They'll make their recommendation to City Council at 10:00 this morning.

## **Education**

## **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.21.14: The deadline is approaching for Kansas Governor Sam Brownback to make a decision on whether he will sign a bill increasing spending for public schools. The Kansas Supreme Court issued a ruling last month giving legislators until July 1 to restore funding for two school finance provisions that give more state aid to poor districts. The measure increases spending by more than \$129 million, funds separate programs at state colleges and universities and makes changes in education policy, including tenure for teachers. The governor has not said whether or not he will sign the bill. Brownback has until the 28th to decide whether to veto or sign the bill.

4.29.14: Those living on campus at KU will have an extra day to move in come this fall. This year's move-in day is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 21 instead of the traditional Friday. The change will help KU expand its "Hawk Week," which provides programming and resources to new students to help them adjust to college life at KU. The next day -- students can attend activities and programming that will introduce them to other students, faculty, staff, the campus, support services and the transit system. Fall classes will begin on Monday, August 25th.

5.12.14: This morning ... there will be a major announcement involving the proposed UMKC Downtown Campus for the Arts. It's set to take place at 8 at the Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts. The school says it has received pledges from an anonymous group of donors to buy a full city block along Broadway from 17th to 18th for the new school. That's directly across from the Kauffman Center. The 70 million dollar project was contingent on the school securing half of the funding to build the new conservatory. The rest of the money is coming from the state. Among those in attendance will be Kansas City Mayor Sly James. KMBZ will have a reporter there ... and we'll have updates throughout the morning.

5.13.14: Charges are expected to be filed today against a man who climbed onto the roof of a Northland School. The principal spotted the shirtless man, said to be in his 30s, on the roof of Eastgate middle school in the 4700 block of North East Parvin Road around 10:30 yesterday morning. The school went on lockdown. Police used a fire truck ladder to get him down and arrest him. The school sent a text blast message to parents. Police searched the building as precaution. The man underwent a mental evaluation...and will appear in court today. The man told police he used to attend Eastgate middle school and spent time on the roof of the building, so he knew what he was doing.

## **Minorities**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

5.1.14: Kansas City Mayor Sly James hope today will bring about a fresh chance to reduce the problems on the Country Club Plaza. Registration begins this morning for teens to sign up for Mayor's Nights 2014. The program offers basketball and other late-night weekend activities including basketball and dancing at the city's community centers. 12-thousand teens took part in last year's Mayor Night's Activities. It was just last weekend two teens were arrested after a series of fights and other problems on the Plaza. Police say one of the teens -- A 14-year old -- had a gun on him at the time he was arrested.

## **Youth**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

5.2.14: This morning, the tension and fear of a mass shooting at Ray-Pec High School have dwindled ... two days after police say a 17-year old High School posted threats about a mass shooting at the school. Daren Davis is charged with one count of making a terroristic threat. That's a felony. For now ... Davis cannot enter any school district building without court consent. Davis posted on Facebook quote -- "Everyone at the south building lunch room in the morning . . . don't go to school. There's gonna be a mass shooting I guess,". This student says the threat was on his mind all day and is glad there was a happy outcome.

Davis' home was searched yesterday after he was arrested, but police did not find any weapons. Because of fears about the threat, only 66 percent of students were in class.

5.2.14: A Massachusetts town is lifting its ban on Pac-Man and other coin operated video games 32 years after it was first enacted. Residents of Marshfield, Massachusetts voted this week to overturn the ban from 1982 aimed at protecting kids' piggybanks and keeping "undesirable elements" from the small town. Voters had twice previously upheld the ban.

## **Drugs**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.9.14: A Missouri House committee has advanced legislation allowing the use of a cannabis extract by people whose epilepsy is not relieved by other treatments. The bill would permit use of "hemp extract" with little of the substance that makes marijuana users feel high and greater amounts of a chemical called cannabidiol, or CBD. Patients would need to have epilepsy that a neurologist has determined is not responding to at least three treatment options. The legislation is sponsored by Republican Caleb Jones, whose son has the disease.

5.1.14: State regulators in Colorado met on Wednesday ... to talk about possible regulations for edible pot. There's concern about consumers not knowing how much of the drug they can safely eat. Marijuana-related deaths have fueled the issue. Christian Sederberg (SEED-er-berg) is a lawyer who worked on the law which made marijuana possession and consumption legal in the state. He was at Wednesday's meeting, and says one idea talked about was marking edible marijuana products like ski slopes. It's a guide with which many Coloradans would be very familiar. Sederberg says the group didn't finalize anything ... and will meet again later in May.

5.6.14: Authorities and hospital officials in Colorado say they've seen a rise in fiery explosions as pot users try to extract potent oil from the drug at home laboratories. The oil can be up to 80 percent THC, marijuana's intoxicating chemical. But home cooking is dangerous. Authorities say since legal marijuana sales started in January, there've been at least 31 explosions. There were 11 last year.

5.8.14: Colorado lawmakers have approved the world's first financial system for the marijuana industry. It's a network of uninsured cooperatives designed to give pot businesses a way to access basic banking services. The plan is to move the marijuana industry away from its cash-only roots. Banks routinely reject pot businesses for even basic services because they fear running afoul of federal law, which considers marijuana and its proceeds illegal.

## **Women**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

5.1.14: The Senate has voted down a bill to raise the minimum wage to \$10.10 an hour over the next two and a half years. Sabina Schaeffer, Executive Director of the conservative Independent Women's Forum, says many women would have been negatively affected by the raise hikes, "women do account for nearly two-third of part-time workers and part-time workers are more likely to earn the minimum wage. But as the wage increases, many of these part-time workers are going to find that their jobs are eliminated altogether." With the block, Democrats are looking to rally their base in the hopes of winning back control of the House.

## **Health**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.7.14: Childhood obesity comes with a price tag. Researchers at Duke's Medical School in Singapore estimate the lifetime medical costs will add up to \$19,000 per child due to health problems stemming from the weight gain when they become adults. The top two diseases the contributed to the high cost were diabetes and heart disease.

4.11.14: Have you swabbed? It's not normally a question you normally hear ...but that's exactly what's being asked of students on the KU campus. The group Students Together Against Cancer want people to donate their DNA to get on the national registry to be a bone marrow donor. Someone who knows firsthand what it's like to be selected as a match is Lynn Wilson-Bruce. Wilson- Bruce signed up after hearing the story of a girl in need. While she wasn't a match for that little girl, it was six months later she got a call that she was a match for another girl from Denver.

4.25.14: It's estimated that only one in five living in Lawrence and surrounding Douglas County are eating the recommended serving of fruits and vegetables every day. It's even less likely for low income families, but a new program at local Farmer's Markets hopes to change that. Officials are kicking in 20-thousand dollars in matching funds to make the project aimed at helping people who use food stamps get fresh access to fruits and vegetables happen.

5.2.14: The president's health care law continues to gain ground around the country, despite Republican instance for repealing it. An Associated Press analysis finds that 31 states met or exceeded enrollment targets set by the administration before the insurance exchanges opened. Twenty of those are led by Republican governors, many of whom were hostile to the program. A surge in enrollments since March 1 doubled sign-ups in some states, including Texas, Georgia and Florida.

## **Charity**

### **Kansas City's Morning News**

4.17.14: April is considered national donate life month ... and one northwest Missouri organ donor recipient has met with the family who's loss gave her life. Shelly Lance held back tears as she listened to her son's heartbeat, for the first time, in more than a year. Her son, Stephen, died last January, when he was 20 years old, but four years before that, he gave his consent to donate his organs. Yesterday -- Lance met with Angela Scott who received her son's heart. Lance tells KMBZ and KQ 2 in St. Joe she doesn't know why her son signed up to be an organ donor, but she's glad he did. Doctors told Scott she had a small chance of surviving, but she beat the odds... thanks to Stephen.

5.5.14: Call it the community support that could help a 10-year old boy heal from his wounds after being shot at Kansas City Gas Station. Hundreds of people are writing letters to 10-year old Ka'Vyea (CuY-YaY) Tyson. Some of those came from his classmates at Satchel Paige Elementary. Tyson was shot at the BP Gas station at 46th and Cleveland two weeks ago as he sat in a car with his dad. His father was killed. Family members say the community support is amazing and his grandfather hopes his story will help stop violence in Kansas City. Ka'vyea {cuh-vee-ya} is still not able to completely breathe on his own. Police say 27-year old Dontae Jefferson is the gunman responsible. He remains in jail on half-million dollars bond.