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Quarterly Issues and Programs Report for the period of October 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016

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The licensee of the eight-station public radio network, the Mississippi Authority for Educational Television, has determined that these issues were of importance to the citizens of Mississippi during the fourth quarter of 2016.

The following list contains the most significant programming addressing those issues.

MINORITY CONCERNS

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 10/04/16 Length: 00:05:02

For A Navajo Voter In Arizona, Environment, Jobs Are Top Concerns

Majerle Lister lives part-time with his grandmother on the Navajo Nation reservation. He's driven by social justice issues and, after backing Bernie Sanders, is reluctantly supporting Hillary Clinton.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/06/16 Length: 00:03:45

RACIAL RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION MONTH

In the midst of racial conflict involving law enforcement in the state and nationwide, a group of Mississippians is coming together for a dialogue and opening of hearts and minds.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/14/16 Length: 00:03:36

LATIN FEST IN MISSISSIPPI

The celebration of Latin American heritage, music and cuisine takes place every year at this time -- reminding Mississippians of the diversity brought to the state by its Latin American residents.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/05/16 Length: 00:05:21

Decline In U.S. Manufacturing Hits African-Americans Hardest

Scott Paul and Gerald Taylor of the Alliance for American Manufacturing discuss a report on how manufacturing decline in the U.S. has left many African-American communities spiraling toward poverty.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/11/16 Length: 00:08:01

'We've Always Had A Seat At The Table': Solange On Conversations That Heal

Solange Knowles' newest album, A Seat At The Table, is her most commercially successful yet — it hit No. 1 on the Billboard charts last month. It's also her most political.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/12/16 Length: 00:05:04

Muslim, Woman, Immigrant — And Trump Supporter

Asra Nomani is a former Wall Street Journal reporter who wrote a piece in The Washington Post about why she, as a liberal, decided to vote for Donald Trump.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/13/16 Length: 00:03:37

Mexicans Mixed On Trump's Plan To End NAFTA

Donald Trump says he would undo NAFTA, which he calls the "worst trade deal ever." Economists say many jobs depend on U.S.-Mexico trade, but others say NAFTA has been bad for Mexico's economy.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/10/16 Length: 00:03:32

STATE NAACP ON TRUMP ELECTION/PRESIDENCY

Civil Rights leaders and others opposed to a Donald Trump presidency now have a chance to face that reality head-on.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/11/16 Length: 00:05:36

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL UNVEILED AT BETH ISRAEL

A different kind of memorial will be unveiled Sunday at Beth Israel Congregation in Jackson.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/14/16 Length: 00:10:02

IMMIGRANTS IN MISSISSIPPI ON A TRUMP PRESIDENCY

As Donald Trump names his transition team, Mississippians and other Americans are waiting to see what policies will be put into place by the president elect.

EDUCATION

Program: MS Edition Air Date: 10/07/16 Length: 00:07:00

CLEVELAND SCHOOL DESEGREGATION

U.S. District Court Judge Debra M. Brown has ordered the desegregation of middle and high school programs in the Cleveland Public School District.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 10/12/16 Length: 00:08:58

REVAMPING MISSISSIPPI PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING

Mississippi legislative leaders say they are taking steps to change how the state pays for K-12 education.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/14/16 Length: 00:08:11

@ISSUE: CHARTER SCHOOLS

Charter Schools offer an alternative way of educating children in Mississippi.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/17/16 Length: 00:05:25 **WHO IS EDBUILD?**

A New Jersey-based, non-profit named EdBuild is reviewing the Mississippi Adequate Education Program -- the state statute that helps lawmakers determine how much money goes to public schools.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 10/24/16 Length: 00:06:53

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE SAVINGS

New parents and grandparents in Mississippi make constant choices about the future of the children in their lives.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/07/16 Length: 00:03:06

These Fifth-Graders Think It's Really, Really Important That You Vote

It's been hard to find voices of hope this election season. People seem to feel they're choosing between the lesser of two evils.

Air Date: 12/19/16 Length: 00:03:51

This Mostly White City Wants To Leave Its Mostly Black School District

The city is trying to break away from the larger Jefferson County School System to form its own system.

Program: MS Edition Air Date: 11/14/16 Length: 00:04:23

CLOSING ACHIEVEMENT GAPS IN MISSISSIPPI

State education officials are taking a look at closing the largest student achievement gaps in Mississippi.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 11/15/16 Length: 00:04:27

HELPING KIDS IN LONG-TERM CARE STAY ON TOP OF SCHOOL

Tens of thousands of kids are treated at Batson Children's Hospital in Jackson every year for minor injuries to chronic illnesses.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/08/16 Length: 00:02:06

Indiana High School Allows 18 Year Olds To Skip Class To Vote

One school in Indiana let 18 year olds skip class Tuesday morning in order to get a chance to vote for the first time.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/17/16 Length: 00:07:34

CLEVELAND SCHOOL DISTRICT DESEGREGATION CASE

A Mississippi federal judge is meeting with Cleveland School District officials today to hear another proposal for desegregating the district.

ECONOMY

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/13/16 Length: 00:06:45

USDA/HOPE TEAM ON LOANS TO POOR, RURAL AREAS

A Jackson-based nonprofit is getting a major infusion of cash from the USDA to help impoverished communities in rural Mississippi.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/18/16 Length: 00:05:04

THE COST OF BEING POOR IN MISSISSIPPI

In Mississippi, 22 percent of residents remain in poverty and nearly 638,000 live below the poverty line AND face high costs of living in rent, food and child care.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/20/16 Length: 00:05:44

USDA GRANTS FOR RURAL MISSISSIPPI FARMERS

More than half a million dollars of new grants is heading to Mississippi rural areas going through hard economic times.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/09/16 Length: 00:02:06

Stock Markets Remain Surprisingly Stable In Wake Of Trump Victory

For weeks, the stock market sent signals that it was bound to take a hit if Donald Trump won the election. But on the first day of trading after a surprise Trump victory, stocks have been up most of the day.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 8/31/16 Length: 00:06:04

Treasury Secretary Lew On Global Trade Deals And Corporate Taxation

Proposed trade deals with Asia and Europe have suffered setbacks recently. But Treasury Secretary Jack Lew says he isn't ready to write off the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership.

Program: MS Edition Air Date: 9/09/16

Length:

Lawmakers look for additional cuts in State spending

Lawmakers say there is likely more room to cut state agency budgets over the next year. Lawmakers are meeting in Jackson over the next few months trying to assess how much taxpayer money state agency are spending, and more specifically, what they are spending it on.

Air Date: 9/19/16 Length: 00:04:59

Springfield, Ohio: A Shrinking City Faces A Tough Economic Future

Much of the anger and anxiety in the 2016 election are fueled by the sense that economic opportunity is slipping away for many Americans.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 9/22/16 Length: 00:04:48

A City Looks To STEM School To Lift Economy, But Will Grads Stay?

In Ohio, Columbus has quietly become a model of prosperity, with rising wages and low unemployment. Nearby Springfield, which has seen its manufacturing base erode, is struggling. So what can a city in decline do to make a comeback?

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS AND POLITICS

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/07/16 Length: 00:05:28

STATE SUPREME COURT RACE

Mississippians living in the central part of the state will head to the polls next month to decide who should serve on the state Supreme Court -- incumbent Jim Kitchens or his challenger, Court of Appeals Judge Kenny Griffis.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/10/16 Length: 00:05:33

STATE ECONOMIST TALKS EXPECTATIONS

State agency heads in Mississippi are wondering if recent budget cuts are going to continue next fiscal year.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/13/16 Length: 00:03:05

DEMOCRATIC LAWMAKERS REACT TO POSSIBLE MAEP CHANGE

Mississippi's Democratic lawmakers say they would like to see reform to the state's education funding formula.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/19/16 Length: 00:05:42

LGBT RIGHTS IN MISSISSIPPI CITIES

Many Mississippi's cities are not doing enough to promote gay and transgender equality.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/25/16 Length: 00:10:12

LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUPS LOOK AT TRAVEL BUDGETS

State lawmakers are turning their attention to how state employees travel for work.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/25/16 Length: 00:06:28

CONVICTED FELONS AND THE RIGHT TO VOTE

Many Mississippians have already voted for president and other offices in this year's elections.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 10/26/16 Length: 00:05:33

AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND TAX CREDITS

While insurance costs under the Affordable Care Act are going up, many Mississippians may be eligible for tax credits to help make up the difference.

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Immigrants Temporarily Shielded Under DACA Worry About Election's Consequences

More than 700,000 people have been temporarily shielded from deportation by President Obama's immigration program.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/06/16 Length: 00:02:10

Born Before Women Could Vote, Now They're Proud To Vote For Clinton

When Estelle Schultz, 98, sealed her ballot for the 2016 election, she wanted to snap a photo to commemorate.

Program: Mississippi Edition

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LEGISLATIVE WORKING GROUPS ADJOURN

The legislative working groups examining state spending have finished their initial work.

HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 10/13/16 Length: 00:06:03

FAIR FOOD AND NUTRITION

Food from the State Fair is famous for many things. But being good for you isn't one of them.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/14/16 Length: 00:06:27

PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS ON MISSISSIPPI CHILDREN'S HEALTH

Mississippi has the highest infant mortality rate in the country -- comparable to Botswana and Sri Lanka.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/17/16 Length: 00:08:35

HELPING FAMILIES FIGHT SUBSTANCE ABUSE

A Mississippi Supreme Court Justice is leading a coalition to help combat the rising number of children in foster care because of parental drug abuse.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 10/19/16 Length: 00:05:26

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

The death rate from breast cancer is Mississippi is one of the highest in the nation -- according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Program: Mississippi Edition

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BRINGING FAITH LEADERS TO THE MENTAL HEALTH TABLE

The state Medical Association says Mississippi is in a public health crisis.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/11/16 Length: 00:05:27

USING ARTS TO HEAL VETERANS

The road to recovery can be long and hard. But as MPB's Ezra Wall reports, many are making progress through the healing power of the arts.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/15/16 Length: 00:05:29

ARBITRATION VS. COURT FOR SENIORS IN NURSING HOMES

A new rule that would allow more Mississippians to sue nursing homes is on hold while a federal judge makes a decision on the case.

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Treating the growing number of Mississippians addicted to opioid prescription drugs

Drug addiction experts are working to treat the growing number of Mississippians addicted to opioid prescription drugs.

Program: MS Edition Air Date: 8/11/16 Length: 00:08:53

Treating prescription drug abuse through drug court, not just jail time

Mississippians who find themselves facing charges for crimes related to opioid drug addiction may find drug court offers treatment and accountability instead of just jail time.

Program: MS Edition Air Date: 8/18/16 Length: 00:01:35

Replacement for united healthcare on federal exchange unlikely by deadline

Mississippi's Insurance Commissioner isn't holding out hope the state will have another insurer for the federal exchange. As MPB's Desare Frazier reports the deadline is next week.

Program: Local News Segment

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UMMC lands a \$19.9 million research grant to expand obesity research

Doctors at the University of Mississippi Medical Center hope a major research grant will help the facility become the nation's leader in the study of obesity. It's the largest research grant ever awarded to UMMC.

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Researchers look for prime zika virus-spreading mosquito

Researchers at the University of Southern Mississippi are sampling mosquitos in every county in the state.

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Among La. Flood Victims, 'Depression Levels Are Really High'

In the small flood-ravaged town of Springfield, La., Rachel Moriarity waited more than a week for a center where she could apply for emergency food stamps to finally open in the Am-Vets hall — but she's been turned away at the door.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 8/29/16 Length: 00:01:30

Maker Of EpiPen To Sell Generic Version For Half The Price

Treatment for life-threatening allergic reactions is about to get a little cheaper.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 8/15/16 Length: 00:01:41

MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCATES WEIGH-IN ON U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LAWSUIT

The U.S. Department of Justice lawsuit says the state is violating the Americans with Disabilities Act by not providing coordinated community-based mental health services for adults.

CHILD AND FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

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THE PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF BODY SHAMING

The debate continues in the wake of the first presidential debate around body shaming.

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FACING CHOICES IN CARING FOR A SPECIAL NEEDS CHILD

Mississippians who are guardians for special needs people can face a daunting task while navigating the world of benefits, insurance and health care options.

Program: All Things Considered

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Service Dog Case Draws Skepticism From Both Sides At The Supreme Court

At the Supreme Court on Monday, the justices heard arguments in the case of a girl with disabilities, her service dog and the school that barred the dog from the premises.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 11/26/16 Length: 00:04:25

Worries About Health Insurance Cross Political Boundaries

This month's election results could have big implications for those who now have insurance because of the Affordable Care Act — either through the exchanges or Medicaid expansion.

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Divided Father And Son Weigh In On Election Day

We check in with a father and son we met during this presidential campaign season. Jim Bolin is a Republican from South Dakota. His son, Chris Bolin, is a Democrat living in Massachusetts.

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Finding A New Kind Of Partnership Through Divorce

Sarah Weeldreyer, 37, is a stay-at-home-mom with two kids, has been married for 11 years, and is going through a divorce.

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Screen Time Reality Check — For Kids And Parents

In many households, screens are omnipresent. That reality has some big implications for children.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 12/01/16 Length: 00:00:28

In Make-A-Wish Request, Leukemia Patient Asks To Blow Stuff Up

Luckily for the 12-year-old boy from Australia, the federal police like to blow things up. His two-day extravaganza included a mock-hostage crisis, and he got to blast through doors and brick walls.

Program: All Things Considered

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Teaching Sept. 11 To Students Who Were Born After The Attacks Happened

"Never forget" became a national rallying cry after the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Program: Morning Edition

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Syrian refugee gets free dental care from a dentist who also was a refugee

The blind father of a Syrian refugee family in New Jersey gets free dental work from a dentist who knows what it's like to be lost and overwhelmed. Twenty years ago she fled the war in Bosnia.

Program: MS Edition Air Date: 9/21/16 Length: 00:01:31

It's world Alzheimer's day, Mississippians raise awareness

More than 52,000 Mississippians are living with Alzheimer's disease and the numbers are expected to climb.

Program: Local News Segment

Air Date: 9/23/16 Length: 00:01:23

Misdiagnosing children with diabetes serious concern

As the flu season approaches Mississippi advocates for children with diabetes are concerned about misdiagnoses. It can lead to serious complications and even death.

ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Program: Mississippi Edition

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BURN BANS IN MISSISSIPPI

The number of Mississippi counties under burn bans continues to grow as dry weather persists across the state.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 10/12/16 Length: 00:07:46

DRY WEATHER SPELLS TROUBLE FOR STATE CATTLE RANCHERS

The National Weather Service in Jackson says there's no rain in the forecast for the next seven to 10 days.

Program: All Things Considered

Air Date: 10/12/16

New Reports Of Hackers In Democratic Party Computer Systems

The Hillary Clinton campaign says an analytics program it uses was hacked as part of the previously reported intrusion into the Democratic National Committee computer system.

Program: Mississippi Edition

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SOLAR ENERGY IN MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi fans of solar power hope the sun is rising on a new era for the energy source.

Program: Mississippi Edition

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FALL SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS

Emergency Management officials are urging Mississippians to be prepared for the possibility of severe weather this fall and winter.

Program: All Things Considered

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What's Hot On Netflix? A Startup Aims To Track Ratings In The Streaming Age

For decades, one company has pretty much had the monopoly on TV ratings: Nielsen. But, the way people watch TV is changing.

Program: All Things Considered

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Earthquake Strikes Oklahoma Near Major Oil Hub

A strong earthquake rattled central Oklahoma over the weekend. The magnitude 5.0 temblor struck not far from one of the state's major oil hubs.

Program: Morning Edition

Air Date: 12/05/16 Length: 00:03:11

The Death Toll In Oakland's Deadliest Fire Stands At 33

Officials in Oakland continue their grim search for victims of a fire that swept through a warehouse used as a communal artists' residence. The death toll is 33, making it the city's deadliest fire.

Program: Mississippi Edition

Air Date: 11/15/16 Length: 00:01:29

NEW MARINE RESEARCH CENTER AT STATE PORT

The State Port of Gulfport and the University of Southern Mississippi are working on a new \$10 million marine research center scheduled to open in early 2018.

Program: Mississippi Edition

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NEW BP OIL SPILL RESTORATION PROJECTS

Mississippi officials say improving water quality is one of the main issues addressed by a new round of oil spill restoration projects.