# **Quarterly Issue/Programs Report**

# **KEDT-FM/KVRT-FM**

January 1, 2024-March 31, 2024

The Management of South Texas Public Radio (KEDT-FM 90.7) has determined the following issues to be of significant interest with the stations service area for the period of January 1, 2024-March 31, 2024.

Education

Health

**Immigration** 

#### **EDUCATION**

#### 01/12/24

# Special Education Funding Cut Impact

Morning Edition 6:45 and 8:45 am, KEDT News 12:06 pm, All Things Considered 4:44 pm

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Texas school districts were caught off guard last month when they learned they'd be receiving \$300 million less than expected in federal special education funding this year.

#### 02/07/24

## **CCISD Accused of Discrimination**

Morning Edition 6:45 and 8:45 am, KEDT News 12:06 pm, All Things Considered 4:44 pm

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Corpus Christi Independent School District is one of two Texas schools accused of discrimination and violating federal education and civil rights laws.

## 02/08/24

Texas Community College Low Transfer Rate to 4-Year Schools

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In Texas, only 16% of students who enroll in a community college can transfer to a 4-year school and earn a bachelor's degree within 6 years.

#### 02/20/24

FBI Houston Seeing Increase in School Threats in Gulf Coast

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The Federal Bureau of Investigation Division in Houston says they've been monitoring an uptick of school threats at districts across the Gulf Coast.

02/09/24

Paxton Suing Frisco ISD

Morning Edition 6:45 and 8:45 am, KEDT News 12:06 pm, All Things Considered 4:44 pm

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Attorney General Ken Paxton is suing Frisco ISD for allegedly encouraging voters to support candidates who oppose school vouchers.

03/20/24

FAFSA Delay Puts Pressure on Students

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Delays in the Federal Student Aid Application process is affecting students across the country and in the Coastal Bend. Completing the FAFSA is the first step that allows students to apply for scholarships and loans.

#### **HEALTH**

02/15/24

CDC Covid Recommendations Change

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Americans who test positive for COVD no longer need to routinely stay home from work and school for 5 days under new guidance planned by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

02/20/24

COVID, Flu and RSV Rates are High in Texas

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COVID, Flu and RSV are three respiratory illnesses spreading across the state. Texas is one of seven states with a very high level of respiratory illness, activity according to the CDC.

03/04/24

DHR Health in Rio Grande Valley Now Offering Liver Transplants

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A life-saving procedure will soon be available in the Rio Grande Valley after DHR Health announced they will be offering liver transplants later this year.

#### 03/08/24

**Nueces County Delays Termination of Services** 

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Nueces County has delayed the termination of services from its Public Health District from April 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>.

03/15/24

Norovirus Stomach Bug in South Texas

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The highly contagious norovirus is making the rounds in the Coastal Bend. According to the CDC, the virus is on the rise in southern states.

#### **IMMIGRATION**

## 01/04/24

Eagle Pass International Bridge to Open

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U.S. Customs and Border Protection will resume vehicle processing today at an international bridge in Eagle Pass that has been closed since late November.

01/04/24

**DOI Sues Texas Over SB4** 

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The Department of Justice has sued the state of Texas. This comes after Governor Greg Abbott declared illegal immigration a state crime.

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#### 01/18/24

Attorney General Letter to Department of Homeland Security on Shelby Park

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The state of Texas is refusing to comply with a demand by Homeland Security to allow the U.S. Border Patrol into a city park in Eagle Pass, that was commandeered by the Texas Military Department.

### 02/29/24

Biden and Trump Visit the Border

Morning Edition 6:45, 7:45 and 8:45 am, KEDT News 12:06 pm, All Things Considered 4:44 pm

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President Biden is traveling to Brownsville, Texas and former President Trump will be in Eagle Pass, Texas today. The topic for both will be immigration.

#### 03/11/24

Border Helicopter Crash Update

Morning Edition 6:45, 7:45 and 8:45 am, KEDT News 12:06 pm, All Things Considered 4:44 pm

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Three people are dead after a helicopter involved in border operations crashed into the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Texas Public Radio's Jerry Clayton has more.

# 03/12/24

Judge Blocks Action Against Migrant Shelter

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A district court judge blocked the Texas Attorney General from immediately shutting down a Texas nonprofit that helps migrants. KTEP's Aaron Montes reports from El Paso.

## 03/19/24

# Senate Bill 4 Kept on Hold

Morning Edition 6:45 and 8:45 am, KEDT News 12:06 pm, All Things Considered 4:44 pm

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The U.S. Supreme Court has, once again, put SB4 on hold. The Texas Newsroom's Julian Aguilar says the bill would have allowed local and state law enforcement to arrest people suspected of illegally crossing into Texas from Mexico.