

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Stations:

KDXU, KCIN/KIYK, KHKR, KREC, KXBN, KXFF

July 1, 2023 through Sept. 30, 2023

Section I. Issues

The stations have identified the following topics as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- **Mental Health:** Suicide prevention has come to the forefront of the issues with a new hotline (9-8-8) and SW Behavioral Health Dept. pushing hard to help prevent these tragedies with its Reach4Hope programs.
- **Realty concerns:** Young people still cannot afford homes and rents are amazingly high right now, creating a housing crunch in southern Utah. Prices for houses have decreased slightly, but the cost is still staggering, especially for a young family. A house typically costs \$400K in the county, so even with a big down payment, a monthly payment would be \$3K.
- **Community Involvement:** Appearances weekly from the local mayors like Michele Randall, Kress Staheli and Nanette Billings get us updates on the respective cities in our listening area.
- **Environment:** With a wetter than usual summer, land issues shifted from not enough water to too much water after a record snowpack began melting.
- **Economy:** Gas prices are still at an unbelievably high rate and southern Utah communities struggle to deal with the ripple effect created by this, such as the rising costs of groceries, goods, and services.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The Andy Griffin Show is broadcast on all our St. George area stations and addresses these issues and many more throughout the year.

The program airs every Sunday at 6 a.m. on KCIN/KIYK, KHKR, KREC, KXBN and KXFF and every weekday on KDXU at 9 a.m.

See attached program log.

Date(s) Aired	Description of Issue Discussed	Duration
7/02/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy, Housing, Water Crisis in Hurricane: Andy Griffin with Hurricane mayor Nanette Billings discuss the housing crunch, the need for alternate water sources and conservation, as well as weather and community related events in the fast-growing city of Hurricane.	42:00
7/09/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed the extreme importance of getting enough sleep, mental: Andy Griffin with Dr. David Blodgett, the local public health official, talk about the need for adults to get at least seven hours of sleep daily (eight is preferred).	43:46
7/16/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed local and national politics with former congressman Jason Chaffetz. Chaffetz gave his opinion on the state of our country, the need for decency and respect across party lines and the possibility of him running for office again.	43:00
7/23/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Washington County issues, infrastructure, and weather preparedness: Commissioner Victor Iverson joins Andy Griffin to discuss the needs of the county, including flood preparation and infrastructure.	43:10
7/30/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed the vacancy of the congressional seat with the announcement of Chris Stewart's resignation: Andy Griffin hosts the show and is joined by Leeds mayor Bill Hoster and new congressional candidate Bruce Hough as we discuss the need for better leadership in the state and country.	43:08
8/06/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed the major improvements coming to the St. George Regional Airport: Airport director Rich Stehmeier joins Andy Griffin as we discuss issues like airport expansion, plus added services that may motivate locals to choose to fly out of SGU instead of Las Vegas.	44:13
8/13/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Washington City issues. Andy Griffin interviews and speaks with Washington City mayor Kress Staheli about the city's growth, need to maintain tradition and tremendous expansion in recent times.	42:00
8/20/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed gun safety and self-protection: Andy Griffin with firearms expert and former marine Dave Romer discuss firearm laws and the	42:10

	growing need for a gun shown by the female half of our society.	
8/27/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Environmental Awareness, snow melt and other water concerns : Andy Griffin welcomes Washington County Water Conservancy Manager Zac Renstrom to the show to discuss flooding, drought and other pertinent water issues.	42:00
9/03/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed patriotism and freedom in Utah . Governor Spencer Cox joins Andy Griffin to talk statewide issues, especially the need to “disagree better” and the burning issue of drag shows throughout the state of Utah.	42:55
9/10//2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed search and rescue : Andy Griffin is joined by Washington County search and rescue director Darrell Cashin, who regaled us with stories of daring rescues and offered advice on avoiding S and R issues.	42:20
9/17/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Utah issues and the possibility of a new senator : Andy Griffin discusses with Utah speaker of the house Brad Wilson some of the need of the state and Wilson’s accomplishments while house speaker. Wilson also hints at running for US Senate.	42:00
9/24/2023	Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed controversy over community standards : Andy Griffin with St. George mayor Michele Randall talks about the battle between community standards and policies vs. the federal governments forcing of questionable laws.	43:10