

**2016**  
**Problems and Needs Report**  
**Second Quarter**  
**KTTC**

KTTC airs many broadcasts that contain stories dealing with the problems and important issues of the communities we serve. Listed below, by problem and need category, are topics of those stories that were broadcast during this quarter

**2016 LISTING OF PROBLEMS AND NEEDS**

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## 2016 2nd Quarter Issues and Programs Report - KTTC NewsCenter

### 1. Economic & Downtown Development/Jobs/Tourism

4-6 Rochester home prices jumped to nearly eight percent in the past year.. showing a strong Rochester economy. The property analytics firm CoreLogic reports that home prices rose four-point-five percent in Minnesota. But in Rochester over the same 12-month period... they rose seven-point-eight percent... nearly double the state rate.

4-14 Unemployment in Minnesota holds steady and figures are showing tremendous job growth in the Rochester area.

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4-19 More than 40 Freeborn County businesses came together this afternoon for a job and career fair at the Northbridge mall in Albert Lea. Information packets and job applications were ready for prospective workers.

4-21 A whopper of a controversy is brewing in Mason City surrounding a proposal for a massive pork plant. Mason City Council is currently discussing the proposal, but they were be joined by protesters who oppose the plan.

4-26 Rochester's Destination Medical Center may someday be new buildings - new programs and new things to do surrounding visits to Mayo Clinic. But right now D-M-C is more about visions and ideas for what Rochester can become.

4-29 One of Rochester's prominent hotels and its popular lounge suddenly closed today. The Clarion Inn on South Broadway first opened its doors in 1963. But owner Mark Anderson said he finalized a deal yesterday-- to sell the hotel and Viking Lounge to Rochester Lodging Partners. The Clarion Inn will be torn down... and a Candlewood Suites will be built in its place.

5-3 The future of a controversial pork processing plant proposal will be decided tonight in Mason City Council. While some say the Prestage Foods project will bring a slew of jobs and economy to North Iowa, others argue it will change life in Mason City for the worse.

5-4 A major signal from IBM today... that it is shrinking its physical presence here in Rochester. It is going to sell off a majority of its massive complex in northwest Rochester.

5-5 The scope of the IBM down-sizing in northwest Rochester is starting to sink in. As we told you first last night... the global computer giant is putting much of its Rochester real estate holdings up for sale. IBM will consolidate its current Rochester workforce into the eight buildings on the far east end of its massive mile-long complex at Highway 52 and 37th Street Northwest. IBM's Jennie Lemire says Big Blue will keep one million square feet of its campus office space. It is selling off two-thirds of the space in the 30 buildings in the cluster to a developer.

5-5 Right now the construction at the Rochester Recreation and Senior Center, 125 LIVE, is about 80 percent complete. An update was presented at this afternoon's Parks and Rec meeting. The senior and rec center staffs are working on addressing some concerns on where cars enter and exit the facility. No solution has been officially decided yet.

5-9 The eagles at the National Eagle Center in Wabasha may soon have a lot more room to spread their wings. The center is planning to expand and by the end of construction will own four adjacent buildings on Main Street. Expansion will make room for the Preston Cook Collection, a 20-thousand item gallery depicting eagles in American Culture.

5-11 2nd Street Southwest near Saint Marys is one of the areas in Rochester heavily eyed by developers ahead of Destination Medical Center. Rochester developer Ed Pompeian is among them, as his plan for a \$100 million housing and retail complex right across from the hospital was unveiled this week.

5-13 The Governor's Fishing Opener has become a political tradition of sorts in the Land of 10-thousand Lakes. Every year for the last 69 years... the Governor picks a different "favorite" lake to try to catch a walleye... some years even going out at the stroke of midnight. This year Governor Dayton picked Big Sandy Lake near McGregor as the place to launch the tourism season... but it's not clear whether they'll wait until the crack of dawn to head out.

5-19 Great news tonight... on Minnesota's economy. Employers in Minnesota created more jobs in April... than at any time in the past two and a half years.

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5-20 If you've ever had a sweet tooth while riding along the Root River Trail, you've probably stopped at the Aroma Pie Shoppe. The shop is under new ownership and the family hopes to continue the tradition of Whalan's most notable landmark.

5-23 Destination Medical Center may not have markedly transformed the city of Rochester yet, but D-M-C officials assured the City Council's Committee of the Whole today that progress is being made. Renovations to a historic building and an effort to recruit new businesses to the Med City were points of emphasis for D-M-C as they look to bring the initiative even more to life.

5-26 Bloom International Realty, a company based in the United Arab Emirates, is looking to bring up to 100 high-end condominiums to Rochester along the Zumbro River from Second to Fourth Street Southeast.

5-26 May is National Preservation Month... and today one of Rochester's historic buildings was celebrated. The Chateau Theatre Re-Use Task Force and the Destination Medical Center hosted a kick-off celebration for the Chateau Theatre Re-Use Project.

5-30 It's looking like Minnesota will be even more of a vacation hotspot than usual this summer. A pre-summer survey of Minnesota lodging businesses showed a nice outlook for summer travel statewide, continuing an upward trend over the past several years. Nearly half of respondents expect summer revenue to be up, and 42-percent predict less vacancy compared to last summer.

5-31 As new developments continue to spring up in downtown Rochester, it's becoming more pressing to address the area's electrical needs. There is a capacity issue for electricity in downtown Rochester, and it will only be magnified as Destination Medical Center rolls along.

6-1 It's the Hormel Institute's second major expansion in eight years. The cancer research center in Austin has now doubled in size.

6-1 With low unemployment and a positive outlook for manufacturing and exports... it's no wonder Minnesota's economy is cranking along at high speeds. To put a spotlight on things made right here by Minnesota workers, U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar has launched what she calls a "Minnesota Made Tour." Senator Klobuchar visited Harmony Enterprises late this afternoon. It's a home-grown company manufacturing equipment like balers... used world-wide to help businesses bundle and recycle cardboard and other materials.

6-2 A truly beautiful day has unfolded for the kickoff of Rochester's largest street fests. More than 100 vendors, selling everything from sculptures to candles to Cuban food, lined up along three blocks of 1st Avenue Southwest. Even some Rochester natives who moved out of state were drawn back to the Med City to experience the atmosphere of Thursday's on 1st and 3rd.

6-3 A drop in revenue at the Rochester Post-Bulletin is being blamed for job cuts and a restructuring of the business.

6-6 The fight for food trucks in downtown Rochester is finally over. The ordinance for food trucks was read for a second time and approved by city council tonight, which means they have the green light to serve street side snacks downtown.

6-8 Destination Medical Center is taking a huge step forward with plans for a massive bio-research campus downtown. Mayo Clinic leaders made the announcement during the 2016 Bio International Convention in San Francisco. NewsCenter's Francisco Almenara-Dumur has more on the 2-million square foot Discovery Square project.

6-13 The sky is the limit in Lake City this summer. A new company in town is taking explorers to new heights... with a new business on Lake Pepin. Eagle Hang Gliders has been in business about a month now. The crew of experienced pilots, Dave and Josh, will strap you up, take you out on a boat, and slowly... you'll ascend over Lake Pepin.

6-23 One of the key pieces to Destination Medical Center is now coming into focus. At today's D-M-C board meeting, the D-M-C Economic Development Agency outlined plans for Discovery Square. Mayo Clinic is hoping to expand its campus by 2 million square feet in the area.

6-24 500 tons of history – is on the move in Osage, Iowa. The Cedar Valley Seminary--built in 1869--has arrived at its new home.

## 2. Political/Governmental

4-6 After assaults on the staff at the Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter... Governor Dayton is asking the State Legislature for more tax dollars to beef up security at the state hospitals and psychiatric facilities.

4-12 A heated debate today at the Minnesota State Capitol over a transgender "bathroom bill." The legislation would limit the use of bathrooms in public facilities to persons' biological gender. It was met with support and scorn at a hearing of the House Civil Law and Data Practices Committee today.

4-13 Republicans and Democrats in the Minnesota Legislature could be on a collision course. That's as they work out how to spend a 900-million dollar budget surplus.

4-13 Lawmakers are proposing a one-stop shop 'online' to compare prices for prescription drugs.

4-21 Is a 'Fair Tax' bill good for Minnesotans? Not everyone thinks so. The tax bill was heard in the House Taxes Committee today. It would eliminate income and corporate taxes on Minnesotans and businesses and replace lost revenue with an expansion of the sales tax.

4-26 Talk of expanding background checks for gun sales is stirring again in the State Legislature... but it won't come to a vote this session.

4-29 MnDOT Commissioner Charles Zelle visited Rochester today, stopping at Signature Aviation where he met with local government officials to talk about upgrading the U.S. Customs facility at Rochester International Airport.

5-9 Rochester is rapidly growing, but the city's low and median income housing options aren't growing fast enough. The problem hasn't gone unnoticed by city and county officials, who met at the Government Center this afternoon to search for solutions.

5-11 As time in the session winds down at the State Capitol, small town leaders from rural Minnesota are pressing lawmakers to deliver much needed help before the session ends.

5-12 The drama over Rochester's proposed food truck ordinance continues this evening. A week after the two-part ordinance was approved, Mayor Ardell Brede decided to veto a crucial part of the plan.

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5-16 With only a week before Minnesota's Legislature must adjourn, state leaders in St. Paul still haven't reached a deal on a transportation funding plan.

5-17 As Donald Trump all but wraps up the Republican presidential nomination, some in the G-O-P are distancing themselves from the controversial candidate. This includes the head of a local Republican party chapter, who resigned last night in opposition to Trump and his views.

5-19 The Legislative session continued at the State Capitol today, as lawmakers attempted to move forward on a number of projects. Two big projects in particular--a bonding bill and a Real ID bill--are top priorities for both the House and the Senate...but today, they hit a standstill.

5-23 State lawmakers have adjourned without approving a package of public works and transportation projects - and Governor Mark Dayton is calling it a tragedy. Legislators haggled through the weekend over the biggest pieces of their session, before adjourning early this morning with no deal. Dayton says that leaves 1 billion dollars in "good projects" throughout the state up in the air. He has not yet made up his mind on whether to call a special session.

5-25 Today, lawmakers, including House Speaker Kurt Daudt, ventured to Owatonna to push for a special session in order to fund the expansion of Highway 14.

5-31 The public dispute over the streets in an Oronoco subdivision culminated in an explosive public hearing this evening. Oronoco City Council decided to curb their plan to assess residents for street maintenance...but not before hearing them lash out at the developer.

6-1 Governor Mark Dayton agrees with state lawmakers who encouraged him to call a special session but says first-- \*his\* priorities need to be met.

6-2 Lawmakers are going back and forth on how to work out the kinks on a tax bill. It passed in both the house and senate, but Governor Dayton didn't sign it because of a one word language error that could have cost the state 101 million dollars.

6-3 Congressman Steve King and State Senator Rick Bertrand took to the stage in Sioux City tonight, just days ahead of primary election day.

6-3 Sen. Al Franken is working with other lawmakers in Congress -- to expand access to mental health services. This morning, he visited Rochester -- to brainstorm ideas with experts.

6-6 Republicans at the Minnesota State Capitol are in a staredown with Governor Dayton... over that flawed tax bill passed in the chaotic last hours of the legislative session.

6-7 Come back and finish your work. That's the message Governor Dayton sent legislators this morning. Dayton is asking them to come back to a special session to iron out a problem in a tax relief bill.

6-7 Across Iowa, voters willing to declare as members of either the Republican or Democratic parties are settling squabbles over who will be their party nominees in November. There is a four-way battle among the Democrats on who will face long-time incumbent Republican U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley.

6-8 Governor Dayton was in the Med City this afternoon -- calling for compromise on terms for a special session.

6-14 In state politics, still **little** headway at the Capitol today. Around a billion dollars in state bonding projects left undone... and a bill yet to pass, three weeks after the regular session ended.

6-15 With all of the debate between Gov. Dayton and state lawmakers on how to pay for road repairs... we might lose track of how it affects us back home. Right next door in Marion Township, one road is in such a state of disrepair that Board members are discussing vacating it.

6-24 A new call for a special session of the Minnesota Legislature. Leaders of the bi-partisan "Purple Caucus" are offering a grand compromise. Republican State Senator Jeremy Miller of Winona and DFL Senator Roger Reinert of Duluth urge using the agreements already made on tax cuts and the bonding bill as a base.

### 3. Health Care Developments

4-6 Mayo Clinic researchers are working on a \*new\* way to combat glioma. It's a type of brain tumor that affects speaking, thinking and even moving and eventually the patient dies.

4-12 April is "Get yourself Tested Month" and with a record number of STD cases reported in the state, various clinics are offering free testing to make sure you're in the clear.

4-12 Eating disorders are painful...not only for the ones suffering, but also their loved ones. A local college organization is working hard to raise awareness for this often silent disease.

4-14 At Mayo Clinic it's not just modern medicine that helps patients heal. Today hundreds of Mayo volunteers were honored at a luncheon inside Rochester's International Event Center for making handicrafts for patients. The volunteers crocheted, knited and sewed more than 18-thousand items last year alone -- such as chemotherapy caps.... prayer shawls... and stuffed animals. They were then given to patients being treated at Methodist and Saint Marys Hospitals.

5-4 A Mayo Clinic research team has been approved for 7-million dollars in funding to study migraine treatment strategies. The 5-year study is the first of its kind.. and will compare two current strategies for treating patients who have chronic migraine, and medication overuse.

5-11 Dorcas Mbanden was one of many this evening who now has a diploma in the healthcare field. In what is truly a rags to riches story, Mbanden went from being homeless, going from foster home to foster home... to being a graduate of the Basic Nursing Assistant Program.

5-12 A Grand Meadow man battling cancer -- experienced yet another tragedy this week when his wife of nearly 40 years passed away. But his strength is inspiring others... and they are rallying around him. NewsCenter's Chris Yu reports.

5-17 Changes are coming for the staff and patients at Mayo Clinic Health System in Lake City. Dr. Dennis Spano, Dr. John Renelt, and nurse practitioner Kayla Dascher are resigning, their last days coming in July. Dr. Tom Witt, the CEO of Mayo Clinic Health System for Lake City, Red Wing, and Cannon Falls, said in a statement that he is sad that his colleagues are leaving and is thankful for their years of service. A hospital medicine physician, several physician assistants and nurse practitioners have been hired to be based solely in Lake City.

6-6 Patients of a major hospital in the Twin Cities are being told they may have been exposed to tuberculosis by two workers who helped deliver care at two major hospitals.

6-9 Nurses from five Allina Health hospitals in the Twin Cities are threatening a one-week protest because of a contract dispute over health benefits.

6-10 Two Rochester stylists who have worked together for 14 years -- now share an even stronger bond, after one was diagnosed with a life-threatening condition. Sonja Kalis is a mother

of 3 who found out last summer -- she needed a new kidney. But she was told she'd have to wait years. That all changed thanks to a generous co-worker.

6-13 A Zumbrota woman's life changed forever when doctors found two tumors in her brain, after she had a seizure. Today, she shared her story in Stewartville.

6-14 Mayo Clinic researchers discover a new enzyme that affects your metabolism. The enzyme... CD 38... slows down an age-related metabolic process called N-A-D. One of the researchers, Dr. Eduardo Chini, says as N-A-D declines, older people are more prone to health-related issues, like obesity and diabetes.

6-17 Right now - thousands of Twin Cities nurses are preparing for Sunday - the day they launch a one-week strike at five local hospitals.

6-21 The Mayo Family Clinic in Kasson sees about 22 thousand patient visits a year. Now, those patients will have a renovated space to seek care.

6-24 Minnesota's largest health insurer is pulling out of MNsure and the individual market all together. Blue Cross cited heavy losses in the individual market for the decision... the company says it lost 5-hundred million dollars in the last 3 years.

## 4. Education

4-8 A prominent leader at Minnesota State Colleges and Universities says he's wrapping up his tenure. MNSCU Chancellor Steven Rosenstone announced today that he's retiring once his contract is up in July. He'll be nearly 66 by that time.

4-13 Rochester Community and Technical College is looking for a new president...again. Interim president Joyce Helens isn't returning next year and MnSCU still has not found a viable candidate to officially take the reins.

4-14 Four Minnesota families have filed a lawsuit they believe will put a stop to what they call "ineffective teachers."

4-19 The conversation over a possible expansion of the 45/15 schedule for Rochester Public Schools became more detailed tonight within the walls of the Edison Building.

4-20 A school bus crash can be a parent's worst nightmare, but its a reality Adams first responders have dealt with on multiple occasions. Tonight, those first responders got a lesson in how to react to those crashes to make sure all of the students at risk stay safe.

4-21 Some Rochester students are learning how to embrace differences in the classroom. Folwell Elementary 5th graders paid a visit to the Bear Creek Services building today to get to know those with disabilities, traumatic brain injuries, and to learn what these things are.

5-6 A new chapter begins today in the life of more than a thousand Winona State University students as they graduate.

5-9 The teachers of Rochester Public Schools traded in their classrooms for the auditorium at the Mayo Civic Center today. It was all an attempt to learn about "equity and education" -- about reaching all of their students regardless of their cultural backgrounds or barriers to learning.

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5-10 Tonight it was the parents' turn to get the low-down on addressing equity and achievement gaps at Rochester Public Schools.

5-12 May is the month of college graduations, and another one took place tonight in our own backyard. The Rochester Community and Technical College class of 20-16 walked the stage and received their degrees and diplomas this evening.

5-18 R-C-T-C announces Mary Davenport as the college's next interim president. Davenport was the Vice president of academic and student affairs at Riverland Community College in Austin since 2012.

5-24 Most people have that one subject they'd rather not deal with. But when that subject is reading, a lot of other things become out of reach. This was the problem for 2 Rochester 4th graders who struggled with reading for years. Their parents decided to take matters into their own hands to find a solution. NewsCenter's Niala Charles has more on the story.

5-24 It was decision day in Plainview today, as residents voted on a proposed bond referendum. The measure would fund major improvements at Plainview-Elgin-Millville Public Schools, but was been met with opposition from residents who felt the tax would be too high.

5-25 A frightening moment for students and staff at Washington Elementary today. The school is evacuated after a bomb threat is called in. Rochester Public Schools says the school received an automated recording just before 10 o'clock this morning. The threat was just like the recorded message called into Ben Franklin Elementary and many other schools around the country earlier this week.

5-31 After four years of a tuition freeze, Minnesota State College - Southeast Technical will change its tuition beginning the 2016 fall semester to a lower bill. In fact, starting this fall, tuition will decrease by one percent for all 2 year state colleges.

6-7 A big sendoff for the graduating class at Austin High School. The seniors walked through the halls this afternoon -- while the rest of the student body cheered them on.

6-7 Rochester Public Schools is now combining forces with the United Way of Olmsted County to create two community schools. A community school helps provide services and resources for not only the academic needs of students, but also health and social services, youth and community development and opportunities for community engagement.

6-9 it's that time of year again, the studying's over, the tests are done. The day that every kid looks forward to all year is here. It's finally time for summer vacation.

6-21 A memorial service to honor a local teacher killed in a freak accident took place this evening. St. Charles High School teacher Craig Walz, brother of Congressman Tim Walz, lost his life while camping in northern Minnesota over the weekend.

6-21 A proposal to dissolve the athletic cooperative agreement between Rochester Public Schools and Lourdes High School -- has sparked weeks of debate. This evening, the school board approved a compromise. NewsCenter's Chris Yu joins us live from the studio to explain.

6-22 A potential shortfall of "truly crisis proportions." That's what a new report says about the financial future of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system. The system could face a shortfall between 66-million dollars to 475-million by the year 2025. The system gets 90 percent of its funding from state appropriations and student tuition.

## 5. Crime Prevention & Domestic Violence

4-11 Law enforcement in Ramsey County are trying to empower sex assault victims with a new initiative. It's called "Start by Believing." The goal is to change the way society views these victims and bring more suspects to court.

4-12 Police say a couple found dead in Shakopee was killed by the male victim's son -- who later committed suicide in Waseca.

4-20 A controversial bill that could be another tool to fight sex trafficking and prostitution in Minnesota is introduced today. It would establish a statewide registry for massage therapists. In order to register, massage therapists must pass a criminal background check, must have a high school diploma, and complete at least 5-hundred hours of education in massage and body work.

4-27 Things will be a lot different at the Government Center in Rochester come this Monday. Weapons screening will be implemented for anyone wanting to go to the 3rd through the 6th floors.

4-29 The man accused of creating a chaotic and dangerous situation Wednesday in Hayfield went before a judge in Dodge County. According to the criminal complaint, authorities surrounded Larry Wenthold in a bank parking lot in Hayfield, attempting to arrest him on a federal warrant for failure to register as a sex offender. That's when Wenthold rammed two undercover police cars -- and possibly hit an Olmsted County Sheriff's Deputy.

5-6 A teen who shot and killed his mother in Osage now knows his fate. He says he deserves a second chance. But his family says otherwise.

5-16 Bail has been set at one million dollars for a Lewiston man jailed in the murder of Tasha Lynn Hanson, the mother of his children. The accused killer--Kyle Benjamin Allers--stood before a judge this morning in Winona. Tasha Hanson's family is now trying to pick up the pieces and make sense of this tragedy.

5-25 In March police say Zahra Zamiri was shot by her ex-husband inside her Rochester home. And if it wasn't for two passers-by... she may have lost her life. This afternoon in Rochester, they were recognized for their efforts.

5-25 The city of Stewartville has created a new ordinance to protect residents even more from sex offenders after word that a level three sex offender was soon to be residing in the community.

5-26 The man accused of murdering his girlfriend in Lewiston less than two weeks ago appears in court. Lawyers defending 23-year-old Kyle Allers requested that judge Jeff Johnson lower his 1-million dollar bail to 100-thousand dollars. He cited Allers' need for dental surgery... and to figure out his children's' custody situation. Allers is charged with 2nd degree murder in the brutal beating of 24-year-old Tasha Hanson -- the mother of their two children -- then asking for help to hide her body in the woods.

5-26 The city of Stewartville is learning about a new neighbor with an extensive criminal background tonight. A level three sex offender is coming to town this weekend, and the city has welcomed him with an ordinance to keep him away from certain parts of the community.

6-2 New details into the shooting that sent the U-C-L-A campus into chaos yesterday in Los Angeles. Investigators have come to Minnesota to continue searching for answers. It turns out the shooter, Mainak Sarkar, actually had a "kill list" with three names, two UCLA Professors and one Minnesota woman. According to the Star Tribune, Ashley Hasti was found dead in her

Brooklyn Park home. Police say that she was found around noon with a fatal gunshot wound. According to county records, Sarkar and Hasti were married in June of 2011 but split a year later.

6-7 The trial of a man accused of having sex with a 14-year old boy continued this afternoon with hours of questioning. 46-year-old Holloway was charged with 3rd and 4th degree criminal sexual conduct after being accused of having sex with the alleged victim in December 2014. He allegedly met the 14-year-old through a dating website tailored to gay men.

6-8 Surprise twists today... in a very disturbing murder case. A former Wisconsin police officer accused of murdering two women during rough sex... then hiding their corpses in suitcases... was ready to plead guilty in Wisconsin. But the judge didn't like the plea deal... and now... there's a delay in bringing Steven Zelich to Rochester to face a murder charge here.

6-13 A Stewartville man is facing several charges in the death of a woman he was in a relationship with for more than a decade.

6-13 A similar vigil in remembrance of the victims was last night, in Peace Plaza. Many in Rochester are still processing the events of the tragedy, particularly members of the city's LGBT community. Although the attack on a gay nightclub that left dozens dead two nights ago happened 1500 miles away from Rochester, many in the Med City are still mourning the tragedy.

6-14 The community in our own neck of the woods is paying their respects. A community gathering in the Rochester Civic Theatre tonight allowed Southeast Minnesotans to express their hurt and frustration about what happened in Orlando. After a vigil on Sunday night and the lowering of flags yesterday, community members came together again tonight to search for peace.

6-15 A Rochester man is facing several charges for creating quite a stir-up in the northwest part of town yesterday. Police got a call that 26-year-old Thomas Frankel was having a psych crisis in his home on the 42-hundred block of 22nd Avenue Northwest... threatening to engage police in a shootout. Police called the SWAT team for backup after learning Frankel had access to guns.

6-16 It has become a time when gun related violence is almost commonplace. Courthouses are often targets of violence; sometimes those convicted want to take matters into their own hands. NewsCenter's Francisco Almenara-Dumur was in Austin to see how they might deal with this.

6-17 Facial recognition, that handy tech that can help you find out who is in your Facebook pictures. Police can use a version of this technology to help them through investigations. NewsCenter's Francisco Almenara-Dumur has more on why that isn't exactly a good thing.

6-23 An Albert Lea family will be putting on a benefit tomorrow for one of their own who passed away. 28-year-old Cody Baseman died in an accidental shooting in September of last year. His aunt, Jordann Kunkel, says the benefit aims to raise money for a headstone on his grave at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Albert Lea... which would be significant for his four daughters... because to them it would be their daddy's new home.

## 6. Elderly/Handicapped/Minority Groups/Racism

4-11 Nearly two dozen Black Lives Matter protestors are now behind bars after blocking light-rail trains leading to Target field for the Twins' home opener.

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4-13 Reports of "Islamophobia" and hate speech are on the rise. Some of the highest officials in Minnesota had a panel discussion today to hear directly from those who have experienced it.

4-15 Rochester police say a pedestrian who was hit by a driver one week ago today has now died of his injuries. Police say 68-year-old Clinton Swartz was crossing the street in front of the American Legion in Rochester when he was hit by a 26-year-old driver making a left turn.

4-27 New reaction tonight to allegations that a T-S-A manager at Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport was told to target Somali-Americans... by his boss.

4-28 People from all around the world come to Rochester to start a new life. Some of them have lived out life experiences we've only read about. Jess Abrahamson introduces us to one couple who share their life story in a way that comes straight from the heart.

4-28 Are Rochester minorities being treated fairly by the court system? That's what many in the community wanted to know this evening. The Minnesota Judicial Branch and the Rochester Diversity Council hosted a panel at John Adams Middle School to discuss what issues exist between the courts and the minority population.

5-26 We now know the fate of a Rochester Police Officer under administrative leave for controversial Facebook posts. Officer Ben Schlag will keep his job, but will be suspended for ten days without pay for his actions. Officer Schlag was originally put on leave in February after posting cartoons on Facebook that were derogatory towards Black Lives Matter protestors.

5-31 Not everyone in Lake City might know this--but they have had a legend "living among them" for many years. Sylvester Thiel passed away this morning at age 93. He became one of the most recognized faces at the U.S. Bowling Congress. Thiel had been knocking down pins at the Open Championships for more than seven decades.

5-31 A new bill signed by Governor Mark Dayton gives police officers in Minnesota more of a guideline to use police bodycams and what to do with the footage they feed back. The law states most footage will remain private unless the subject on camera requests to take it public. The legislation has garnered much debate within various civil rights groups with Rochester NAACP president W.C. Jordan saying their concerns fell on deaf ears.

6-1 Activists are decrying a decision by federal officials to bring no charges in the shooting death of a 24-year-old black man by two white Minneapolis police officers.

6-2 The Intercultural Mutual Assistance Association -- or IMAA -- has been helping newcomers to Rochester for years. They've come from countries all over the world, speak different languages, and all have unique stories. But one thing remains the same: they're seeking a better life here in Rochester. NewsCenter's Devin Bartolotta brings us the story of one translator... whose relentless pursuit of education is changing other lives now, too.

6-6 The former president of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale has been sentenced to six months on probation. Jeffrey Amundson was sentenced in Olmsted County District Court this afternoon. Back in April, he pleaded guilty to a felony theft charge after investigators say he used a debit card of a vulnerable adult for whom he held the power of attorney.

6-9 The Charter House in downtown Rochester is home to hundreds. But what if a fire breaks out? Today -- staff members... first-responders... and dozens of actors helped make sure the retirement community is prepared.

6-17 Jeffers Petroglyphs is bringing ancient astronomy back to life. The historic site attempts to replicate an ancient American Indian astronomical observatory that's found along a nearby ridge. Visitors will get to experience and observe the summer solstice through the recreated observatory... similar to the one that people from thousands of years ago had.

6-23 A major decision came today from the U.S. Supreme Court. The justices deadlocked four to four on a battle between Texas and the Obama Administration over immigration reform. President Obama wanted to prevent some four million immigrants here in the U.S. illegally from being deported.

## 7. Environment

4-2 The U.S. Department of Agriculture has released its 2016 Prospective Plantings report for Minnesota and Iowa. Yields of corn in both states will be up this year, 8.2 million acres of corn for Minnesota farmers, while Iowans will plant 13.9 million acres. Soybean production will be decreased for both states, by 222 thousand acres in Minnesota and 150 thousand acres in Iowa. Farms like David and Dennis Pierson's near Lake City are ready to get their crops in the ground. They had a good season last year and they're hoping for more of the same this year.

4-15 Tomorrow is the opener for the stream trout fishing season across Minnesota. D-N-R experts like Ron Benjamin in Lanesboro say the mild winters the past two years have left healthy populations of brown trout... and a lot of big fish in many streams and rivers like the Whitewater.

4-20 What we're breathing in Olmsted County is not exactly fresh air. The American Lung Association gave Olmsted County a "C" grade on the latest state of the air report. That slipped down from an "A" grade last year.

4-22 In the spirit of Earth day, southeast Minnesotans spent the day doing a variety of good deeds for mother Nature. They included anything from planting trees to raising awareness of ocean pollution.

4-25 The Buffer Law has been a point of controversy for many Minnesota farmers since it went into effect last year. But today, Governor Mark Dayton signed a bill into law that makes the buffer law more clear. The law requires farmers to install buffer strips of vegetation between their farm field and waterways to protect against runoff.

4-28 There was heavy smoke in the air in parts of northwest and east Rochester and here's why. Construction crews torched a couple of huge piles of trees and brush at the 55th Street Northwest extension project-site where it becomes West River Road. The massive bonfires have been going on as part of the site preparation.

5-10 Frac sand groups bring a national conference to La Crosse saying it's a prime location for it. But others are calling for a ban on frac sand mining.

5-16 A spectacular sight has returned to south-central North Dakota... the White Pelicans of Chase Lake. The 12-acre island is about 10 miles north of Medina. Chase Lake was always known as the White Pelicans' annual nesting site. But then in 2004, tens of thousands of White Pelicans all but disappeared. Now, they've returned in record numbers.

5-17 There have been at least 56 nuclear energy reactor accidents in the U.S. since the early 50s. The worst -- a partial core meltdown at Three Mile Island, but that was way back in 1979. Safety drills are a big deal at nuclear power plants like Prairie Island just north of Red Wing. There was a full-scale emergency drill today at the generating station at Welch, involving the federal government... eight different state agencies... officials from three counties... and their counterparts from the City of Red Wing and the Prairie Island Indian Community. A command center was running the response to the imaginary emergency in downtown Red Wing.

5-20 Officials have determined the size of a wildfire burning near Ely to be about 450 acres - much less than first originally reported. The fire began yesterday around 2 p.m. as a prescribed burn near Foss Lake. It was supposed to be just 78 acres in order to control hazardous fuels and improve wildlife habitat but as wind speeds picked up and humidity dropped, the blaze quickly jumped the containment line and spread north.

5-23 The Minnesota Department of Agriculture plans to set nearly 18-thousand gypsy moth traps across the state this spring. It's all part of the MDA's annual detection trapping program, which is designed to protect the forests and urban areas from gypsy moth infestation.

6-10 The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency issued an ozone advisory tomorrow for eastern, and southern Minnesota. Albert Lea, Mankato and New Ulm are under the advisory. The agency says temps in the low 90's will lead to ground-level ozone formation, which can cause health complications for those with respiratory problems. The agency says it's even a hazard for those who are otherwise healthy.

6-20 Solar energy is soon going to be more accessible to Rochester Public Utilities customers. Community Solar is a project that would allow RPU customers to purchase single solar panels. Then, based on how much energy the solar panels produced, money would be deducted from the buyer's energy bill.

6-22 Now that summer has officially started, it's time to start dealing with mosquitos. With the rise of the Zika virus, we might want to start taking extra care when it comes to those pesky pests. NewsCenter's Francisco Almenara-Dumur was in Albert Lea for a forum on mosquitos and Zika.

## 8. Youth

4-7 Children with challenging behaviors are often misunderstood... but with the right kind of support, can be successful. Tonight, a workshop in Owatonna had the goal to help parents find strategies at how to provide that support for the success of their children.

4-8 Students from 20 local schools battled today to earn the title of best welder. From Albert Lea and Austin... to St. Ansgar and St. Peter... 80 high-schoolers from all over our viewing area took part in the 10th annual welding contest at Riverland Community College in Albert Lea.

4-13 Two students from Kasson Mantorville Middle School are at the White House today. Lydia Mindermann and Andrea Richard have created the Mayo Free Time app for Android phones. It's designed to help Mayo Clinic patients and Rochester visitors find things to do in the Med City and surrounding communities. As a reward for their hard work, they were invited to President Obama's sixth and final White House Science Fair.

4-22 The spring and summer months are notorious to police for dangerous driving... and bad accidents. So authorities put on a mock situation reminding teens how very real a danger it is.

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Today at Chatfield High School, area law enforcement and responding agencies descended on a car with 'fake victims' inside.

4-25 What happens when you put 80 teens, a piano and a love of gospel in one room? The answer is the Rochester Area Youth for Christ choir, who were tuning up tonight for their next big performance. NewsCenter's Taj Simmons is live in the newsroom with more.

5-4 A Pine Island High School senior is making an impact for impoverished families a world away. We caught up with 18-year-old Brooke Salfer -- a lifelong dancer -- at dance practice this afternoon. Over the past six months, Brooke has raised about 3600 dollars to build two homes in Haiti through the Food for the Poor organization. She says she was inspired during a mission trip where she cared for sick children at a malnourishment hospital.

5-12 Some Rochester kiddos got a "beefy" reminder of where their food comes from. Cows... pigs... lambs... even turkeys joined Riverside Elementary students at school today. The Spring Valley Wykoff FFA brought the farm animals along to show students how big of a role agriculture plays in their lives, and where exactly meat comes from.

5-17 Each year -- distracted driving takes thousands of lives and injures hundreds of thousands more. But thanks to a nationwide campaign, students are now thinking twice before using their phone behind the wheel. Students at Austin High got to experience the dangers of distracted driving --- through virtual reality.

5-25 Seven bright Lakeview Elementary students are showing their smarts at the largest celebration of creativity in the world! Team "The Ugly Bacon" is one of 14-hundred teams from across the country competing in Destination Imagination's Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee. The Albert Lea team will apply science, technology, engineering, and math skills to solve problems.

5-30 In Elgin this morning the city's veterans memorial has now been joined by a pavilion honoring police, fire, and ambulance veterans...all thanks to the efforts of a Boy Scout.

6-1 For many, Memorial Day weekend is full of barbeques, parties, and pools... but not for 5-year-old Addy Gore. She spent much of the long weekend raising money for the Rochester VFW through a lemonade stand. She also passed out little toy soldiers for people to take to remind them of those fighting for our country. Her father Zachary is an Iraq and Kosovo veteran.

6-7 The front lawn of Ellis Middle School in Austin became a mock battleground this morning. One one side -- the union soldiers. On the other -- the Confederacy. And the teachers made sure the experience was authentic.

6-9 It's 'Take a Kid Fishing' weekend here in the land of 10-thousand lakes! If you're 16 or older you won't need a license if you take a youth 15 and younger fishing. All the fun starts tomorrow...and wraps up Sunday.

6-9 Sexual assault unfortunately is taking over headlines everywhere and most recently is gaining momentum on college campuses. So in St. Paul - a prevention summit was held involving more than 50 Minnesota college campuses to break the silence on this issue that isn't always talked about.

6-15 The Dodge County fairgrounds was filled today with kids and their horses. Today marks the first day of horse camp... where 4-H students get the chance to learn about horses and barrel racing. 19 kids and their horses were practicing today.

6-15 From first aid to fire dangers, elementary school kids learned today about how to stay safe on the farm. About a hundred children from kindergarten to third grade -- took part in the "Progressive Agriculture Safety Day" at the Freeborn County Fairgrounds in Albert Lea.

6-16 Ten years ago today 7 year old Arianna McNamara was hit and killed while riding her bike across the intersection of West Circle Drive and 3rd Street Southwest in Rochester. Now, Rochester Councilman Michael Wojick wants to see this area become safer for pedestrians and bikers.

6-21 Rochester police say members of two rival gangs... apparently clashed at, of all places, a high school graduation party. Lt. Mike Sadauskis says the graduate's 14-year-old younger brother was targeted by the older brother's gang members.

6-22 Rochesterfest welcomed a big crowd for its Family Fun Night at Soldiers Field Park. People of all ages were there and various family-friendly activities were available for both children and adults. Children got some hands-on experience with sports. They got to shoot some hoops for basketball, play golf and hit a couple of tennis balls.

## 9. Substance Abuse

4-11 When Mothers Against Drunk Driving was founded in the early 80's, more than 25-thousand people were killed in drunk driving crashes each year. Since then, the deadly toll has been cut in half. But MADD leaders say there's still more work to be done.

4-15 Rochester police find a large stash of drugs hidden in the ceiling of a gas station bathroom.

4-15 Crews respond to a fire at an address in Fillmore County tonight at the same address authorities arrested two people for making meth just days before.

4-20 An Albert Lea man has been arrested for the 7th time on drug charges. This time around - he could be on his way to state prison for first degree meth possession.

4-21 A felon who posted a video of himself rapping with a gun on Facebook is arrested. You can see this man waving a gun around... rapping... and smoking what police say is likely marijuana.

5-5 The Food and Drug Administration announced some new regulations for those that light up electronically, all tobacco alternatives like electronic cigarettes, vape pens, cigars, hookah and pipe tobacco and nicotine gels. The new FDA rules will first ban the sale of those products to anyone under 18.

5-6 A law enforcement official says investigators want to interview a California doctor and his son about a prescription drug the son brought for Prince before he was found collapsed in an elevator at his Minnesota home.

5-10 The latest on the investigation into the death of Prince: a search warrant reveals that a Minnesota doctor saw Prince twice in the month before his death -- including the day before he died -- and prescribed him drugs.

5-24 The CDC says nearly 80 Americans die every day from opioid overdoses. Their stories are being told in an FBI documentary called "Chasing the Dragon".... which was screened this morning at "Wehrenberg Theatres Galaxy 14" in Rochester.

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NewsCenter's Chris Yu reports.

5-25 An update on the young boy in a medically induced coma after being hit by a car yesterday near Byron. 5-year-old Lukas Wharton is in critical condition. Deputies say the driver who hit him showed signs of alcohol use.

6-2 A medical examiner's report says Prince died from an opioid overdose. The report notes the cause of death as accidental fentanyl toxicity.

6-2 Meanwhile -- Senator Amy Klobuchar is sponsoring a bill that would help prevent future overdose deaths. It's called the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act -- it would create incentives for states to do more with prescription drug monitoring.

6-3 A narcotics search warrant leads to three arrests in a mobile home park. Officers carried out this warrant at a mobile home on Marion Road Southeast.

6-3 Prince's special estate administrator tightens the timeline for his possible heirs. The administrator filed an order yesterday in Carver County demanding claimants to file an affidavit by June 10. At the same time, investigators are trying to get to the bottom of who prescribed Prince with the synthetic opioid fentanyl that caused his death. Fentanyl is up to fifty times more powerful than other drugs such as morphine and heroin.

6-10 A man is injured in a rollover in Winona County. 20-year-old Christopher Florek of St. Charles was driving his Chevy Malibu south on 74, about 2-and-a-half miles south of I-90, when he drove it into a ditch near a driveway and rolled over. The state patrol say there was alcohol involved.

6-17 A federal investigation leads to a major drug bust in Austin -- six people were arrested after raids on three houses in the southwest part of Austin on Thursday morning. Police seized 80 grams of crack cocaine plus 30 grams of heroin.

## LOCALLY/QNI PRODUCED PROGRAMMING

KTTC-TV is very community-oriented and interested in community problems and issues. It devotes a considerable amount of its news time to the coverage of significant problems, needs and issues facing the community. KTTC has broadcast the following programming in response to the issues and programs during this quarter.

- KTTC Newscenter "Around Town"  
Saturday 7:26am, 7:56am, 8:26am, 8:56am  
Sunday 7:26am  
"Around Town" is a 1:56 minute segment that has interviews with individuals in the community. These interviews provide information and discussion of events in the area, usually by non-profit organizations.

## 2016 Around Town 2nd Quarter Schedule

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April 2 – Tough Enough to Wear Pink; PossAbilities STARS  
April 9 – Rochester Figure Skating Club Ice Show; Elder Network Spring  
Fever Gala  
April 16 – Olmsted County 4-H Auction; Trashion Show 2016  
April 23 – World Festival, Rochester, JDRF Roll & Stroll  
April 30 – SEMYO Concert; Melanoma Monday

May 7 – Kids Cup; Ability Building Center Golf Tournament, Rochester May  
May 14 – Spring Fest at Oxbow Park; WWII Hangar Dance, Rochesterfest  
May 21 – Cancer Survivor’s Day; Apraxia Walk, CASANA  
May 28 – Power of the Purse Fundraiser, United Way; Garden Fair 2016

June 11 – Gamural Day Fest; Ronald McDonald House Summer Events  
June 18 – Kiwanis Club’s Golf Ball Drop, Rochesterfest; Honors Choirs of  
SE Minnesota’s “Fiddler on the Roof”  
June 25 – Olmsted County’s Relay for Life; Quilt Sidewalk Sale for the  
Rochester Senior Center

KTTC NewsCenter

NewsCenter Today	Monday-Friday	5:00-7:00am
NewsCenter at Noon	Monday-Friday	12:00-12:30pm
NewsCenter at Five	Monday-Friday	5:00-5:30pm
NewsCenter at Five	Sunday	5:00-5:30pm
NewsCenter at Six	Monday-Saturday	6:00-6:30pm
NewsCenter at Ten	Sunday-Friday	10:00-10:35pm
NewsCenter at Ten	Saturday	10:00-10:30pm

SYNDICATED PROGRAMMING

KTTC-TV has broadcast the following syndicated programming material in response to the problems and needs of our viewing area-

- Ag Day Monday-Friday 4:00-4:30am

Daily syndicated program of agriculturally related topics.

NETWORK (NBC) PROGRAMMING

KTTC has broadcast the following network programming which addresses many of the problems and needs of our viewing area.

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- Early Today Monday – Friday 4:30-5:00am  
As the first broadcast of the day on the NBC Network, “Early Today” provides a comprehensive look at the news that occurred overnight as well as previewing the day’s upcoming events
- Today Show Monday – Friday 7:00-11:00am  
Saturday 7:00-9:00am  
Sunday 7:00-8:00am  
A news program that provides the latest in international and domestic news, weather reports and interviews with newsmakers from the world of politics, business, media, entertainment and sports.
- Meet The Press Sunday 8:00-9:00am  
NBC moderator interviews top newsmakers from the week
- NBC Nightly News Monday-Sunday 5:30-6:00pm  
Provides reports and analysis of the day’s most newsworthy national and international events.
- Dateline Various dates/times  
Prime-time news magazine program that comprises segments on a wide range of topics, including investigative reports, human-interest stories and newsmaker profiles.

### SHORT FORM PROGRAMMING

KTTC demonstrates a strong commitment to our community by broadcasting public service announcements (PSA’s) for many area non-profit organizations. The PSA’s are listed below which aired during the quarter. Specific dates/times are not given here, but are available on request.

The following PSA’s ran during the 3rd quarter of 2015

## Second Quarter 2016 – KTTC Television

<u>Advertiser</u>	<u>Title</u>
Ability Building Center	On the Tee with ABC
American Diabetes Association	Pre-diabetes Test
American Cancer Society	Relay for Life of Olmsted County
Channel One Regional Food Bank	Great American Milk Drive

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City of Lewiston	Fools Five Road Race 2016
City of Rochester	Rochesterfest
Diocese of Winona	Catholic Charities
Elder Network	Spring Fever / Image
Family Service Rochester	Volunteers
Gary Sinise Foundation	Those Who Serve / Who Help Heroes
Got Your Six	Got Your Six/Behind Every Great/Backs
Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation	One Walk 2016
Living Independently with Knowledge	Garden Fair 2016
KTTC Amazing Woman	Amazing Woman Award
KTTC Community Calendar	Community Calendar
KTTC Young Leader	Young Leader Award
KTTC Weather Academy	Watches vs Warnings / Different Colors
Legal Assistance of Olmsted County	Fundraiser for Legal Aid
Lions International	Airport/Safari Hunting/District 5M1
MADD	Austin Melville “Don’t Drink & Drive”/ Marcus Sherels / Drunk Driving & Me
Minnesota National Guard	Storm/Fire/Flood
Multiple Sclerosis Society	Walk MS 2016
NBC “More You Know”	Digital Literacy/Children’s Health Environment/Health/Diversity/Educatio
Paws & Claws Humane Society	Pet Walk 2016
QUBO FCC Report Location	QUBO FCC
PossAbilities of Southeaster Minnesota	Join the Club
RNeighbors	A Litter Bit Better 2016
Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce	Leadership Greater Rochester Silver Lake / We are Diversity – Dr. Hayes / Natalie Morales / Dharani / Biv / Kylie / Somar / Tabarek
Rochester Downtown Alliance	Thursdays on 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Rochester International Association	Worldfest 2016

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Rochester Public Library

Ronald McDonald House

ScamAwareness.org

Team Detroit

Text to Speech

TvB

United Way of Olmsted County

Connect

Donate 2015

Online Safety

Futures Without Violence

Text to Speech

We Get Voters

Give. Advocate. Volunteer

10 Who Make A Difference Nominations