



*"Our Town" is a weekly 30 minute program a staff personality who interviews three community leaders for approximately 10 minutes each. This program airs each Sunday at 6am throughout our cluster of stations (except KVOR-AM where it airs Saturdays at 1pm). Listeners are encouraged to log on to our station social media pages to follow up with our featured organizations via listed hyperlinks and telephone numbers.*

*Date, non-profit organization, issue(s) addressed:*

## Q-2 2023

4/1-4/2

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**Anthony Perez- Author, Professional Durability-Withstanding the Storm of Change** Tactical 16 Publishing announced the signing of leadership expert Anthony Perez for Professional Durability: Withstanding the Storm of Change. In his well-known direct, but humorous style, Perez uses personal antidotes and applications to relay vital information to both new and seasoned leaders looking for a fresh approach. <https://tactical16.com/>

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**Mike Shapiro- Pioneer Baseball League** Since 1939, the Pioneer Baseball League presented by TicketSmarter has operated in the Mountain States region as an MLB affiliated league. Beginning in 2021, the PBL became an MLB Partner League with teams in Montana (Billings, Missoula, and Great Falls), Idaho (Boise and Idaho Falls), Utah (Ogden) and Colorado (Grand Junction and Colorado Springs). <https://www.pioneerleague.com/landing/index>

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4/22-4/23

**Rosario Weston- Department Chair of Fine Arts at St. Mary's** Several St. Mary's High School students, led by Rosario Weston, Department Chair of Fine Arts at St. Mary's, have been selected by the Pikes Peak Art Council to host a gallery event at the UCCS Downtown Satellite Gallery in Colorado Springs. The Pikes Peak Arts Council is a nonprofit organization founded in 1968 to honor, connect, and enrich local artists, working to ensure that artists are thriving in the Pikes Peak Region. St. Mary's High School has operated continuously in Colorado Springs since 1885. The gallery will run from April 21 – May 21, 2023. <https://www.smhscs.org/>

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5/6 & 5/7

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5/20 & 5/21

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6/3 & 6/4

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6/17 & 6/18

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6/24 & 6/25

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