

**WORD RADIO EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**  
**Categories of Community Issues Identified**  
**for Quarterly Issues Report for Station Public File**

**I. Literacy, Education and History**

- A. Because we see a growing disregard for the importance of the Bible in our communities, schools, courts, and government, and even in our churches, as evidenced by polls as early as 1886 and as late as the 1990s and early 21<sup>st</sup> century, programming is provided that addresses the need for improving **Biblical literacy** and counteracting the problem of biblical illiteracy.
  
- B. We understand that the number of various **world religions** is growing, adding to an importance of understanding their impact on our cross-cultural society. Programming is aired that addresses worldviews specifically and generally around this issue.
  
- C. We observe that the modern-day education system progressively removes the heritage of many great, heroic, and wise men and women who lived throughout history. Programming that focuses on the **biographies and work of individuals and movements** serves to educate the community to ideals not often propounded in today's media.
  
- D. A recognition that the ever-present times of hardship and difficulties in the lives of individuals and communities requires programming that **provides inspiration and encouragement** in times of need and is offered in large doses.

**II. Family and Relationships**

- A. With the well documented breakdown of the family being a huge problem in our communities, it is essential that listeners are provided programming that offers suggestions, hope, research and new ideas to deal with the **changing family dynamics**.
  
- B. Because changing relationships in our society are in desperate need of healing and hope, a variety of programming emphasizes **stability in relationships**. Friendships, marriages, parents and children, working associates, all need hopeful and well presented ideas to address changing relationships.

- C. It is clear that **healthy living** is important for individuals and families to be at their physical best in order to develop healthy relationships and healthy communities. Programming is provided that addresses areas of fitness, healthy eating, disease, prevention etc.
  
- D. We recognize that **Financial factors** often relate to breakdowns in relationships, families, businesses, and neighborhoods. We offer programming that addresses this need to equip listeners in such areas as poverty and wealth, budgeting, and ideas for financial independence.

### III. Current Events

- A. The community listenership is informed about news of **national** importance with programming that provides up-to-date balanced journalism with an emphasis on **conservative Christian worldview** interpretation. National and international news is acquired from Salem Radio Network.
  
- B. We meet a demonstrated need with certain programs to know about **international** affairs and their importance to the public because of the growing “smallness” of our world and how **interconnected** events are that happen around the world and directly or indirectly **affect the listening community**.
  
- C. Fundamentally, knowledge of the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and government rights and responsibilities has been on the decline. The listening public is kept up to date with programming that provides education about living as informed and active citizens of America exercising **active and responsible citizenship**.
  
- D. Because **government policies** affect all members of society, their lives, property, businesses and beyond, programming is provided for up to date discussions and perspectives on policy issues.