

Issues Programs List

Station(s): KIKN-FM, KKLS-FM, KKRC-FM, KSOO AM/FM, KXRB AM/FM, KYBB-FM

October 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023

Section I. Issues

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

- A. **Health:** Mental health impacts us all in every atmosphere. The college campus, workplace, as well as your own home.
- B. **Education/Tourism:** Not only is pheasant season one of the biggest draws to our state, it also acts as a learning tool for young adults.
- C. **Homelessness:** One of the shelters in the Sioux Falls area is The Bishop Dudley House. It provides emergency shelter for men, women, and children. In the coming cold months, this facility will see an increase in the homeless community.
- D. **Weather:** In the upper plains weather awareness is a must, and following changing weather patterns can save your life.
- E. **Community/Charitable Giving:** Domestic violence is a problem year-round, but it can be especially difficult during the holiday season. The Townsquare Sioux Falls stations partner with the Children’s Home Shelter for Family Safety locally to help collect new toys, clothing, and cash donations for the families stuck at the shelter over the holiday season.
- F. **Tourism/Travel:** Traveling during the holiday season can be stressful. Frustration levels can be reduced with travel advice and holiday travel tips to help navigate one of the busiest travel seasons of the year.

Section II. Responsive Programs

Sunday Focus is a 30-minute locally produced program that airs every Sunday throughout the quarter on all Sioux Falls stations as follows:

**KKLS/KKRC/KYBB 6:00 AM
KIKN 6:30 AM
KSOO-AM/FM 9:30 AM
KXRB AM/FM 7:00 AM**

Date Aired	Duration (Minutes)	Issue Discussed. Description of Program
10.1.23	29 Minutes	Homelessness: The Bishop Dudley Hospitality House is known to serve as a day and overnight shelter for those in need. Their mission is to serve others and help them get back on their feet. They are at capacity every single night. That's why they are embarking on a new journey and opening a new facility for families at 409 N. Western Avenue in Sioux Falls. Their goal is to have the new family location open by January or February of 2024. Madeline Shields of BDHH joins the show to tell us about the project and how to donate.
10.8.23	29 Minutes	Tourism, Economy, Mentoring: Hunting pheasants is a huge tradition in South Dakota. It's a way of life in the state and it encourages people to get outside, especially the kids. The Turner County Youth Pheasant Hunt is all

		about involving kids with this sport and practicing safety. Byron Nogelmeier tells host Christine Manika about this year's entertainment. On top of this excitement, some celebrities even join the fun and perform a concert that day. This year, country music singer and South Dakota native Julie Eddy will perform at the Chancellor Event Center on Saturday, November 4th.
10.15.23	29 Minutes	Health, Tourism: South Dakota is known to have six seasons: There's your typical fall, winter, spring, and summer. But there's also construction and hunting season in South Dakota. Not many people think you need to be in shape for hunting. However, it does impact your hunting experience. Corey Howard from Results Personal Training joins Sunday Focus to talk about their programs and how they get their clients in shape not just for hunting season, but also for their everyday life. (16 Minutes) Community: The tourism industry is thriving in Sioux Falls and in the state of South Dakota in general. There is a lot of excitement for the 2023 tourism season. From the fun concerts, entertaining events, and tasty restaurants, Sioux Falls has a lot to offer visitors. Sioux Falls is no longer the "drive-through town." It is a city where people explore and stay for vacation. The Executive Director from Experience Sioux Falls, Teri Schmidt, joins this show to talk about new businesses and developments in the city and what people can expect this tourism season. (13 Minutes)
10.22.23	29 Minutes	Health, Education: Lost & Found is an organization in the Sioux Empire that focuses on mental health education for college campuses, workplaces, and family life. Erik Muckey with Lost & Found comes back on the show to talk about updates with the organization and the new bill they just passed during this year's legislative session.
10.29.23	29 Minutes	Education, Tourism: Hunting pheasants is a huge tradition in South Dakota. It's a way of life in the state and it encourages people to get outside, especially the kids. The Turner County Youth Pheasant Hunt is all about involving kids with this sport and practicing safety. On top of this excitement, some celebrities even join the fun and perform a concert that day. This year, country music singer and South Dakota native Julie Eddy will perform at the Chancellor Event Center on Saturday, November 4th.
11.5.23	29 Minutes	Entertainment: It will be the holidays before you know it in the Sioux Empire. There are plenty of great events in town to get you in the holiday spirit, including "Shaun Johnson's Holly Jolly Holiday Tour" at the Washington Pavilion on Thursday, December 7th. Shaun Johnson himself joins host Christine Manika on Sunday Focus to talk about his career, how he almost became a lawyer, and why he's so excited to bring his holiday show to Sioux Falls.
11.12.23	26 Minutes	Weather: Last year was an active winter weather season in the state of South Dakota. We saw some snowstorms that brought heavy snowfall, freezing temperatures, and strong winds. So, what will the Sioux Empire experience this winter? Todd Heitkamp with the National Weather Service in Sioux Falls talks about the weather we've experienced, ways to stay alert on the weather, and what weather patterns we can expect to see this winter. Todd highly encourages everyone to follow trusted weather sources like the National Weather Service and our partners at Dakota News Now this winter.
11.19.23	27 Minutes	Travel: People are itching to get out of the house and travel somewhere this holiday season. The Sioux Falls Regional Airport is a great resource for adventure seekers. Due to the flying demand and need in the Sioux Falls area, lots of new projects are going to transform the Sioux Falls Regional Airport. Including...the parking garage! Executive Director for the Sioux Falls Regional Airport Dan Letellier joins the show to talk about updates with projects at the airport like the parking garage, new furry faces inside the terminal, flying options for travelers, and holiday travel advice.

11.26.23	28 Minutes	Community: It's been a big year at The Sioux Falls Area Humane Society. Adoptions are through the roof. As of right now, over 3,200 animals have been adopted from the Sioux Falls Area Humane Society. At the same time, more animals come to the shelter. Executive Director James Oppenheimer is the featured guest of Sunday Focus with Christine Manika to talk about his first year at the humane society, adoption trends in the Sioux Empire, and the need for Humane Honors.
12.3.23	29 Minutes	Homeless, Community: The Bishop Dudley Hospitality House is known to serve as a day and overnight shelter for those in need. Their mission is to serve others and help them get back on their feet. They are at capacity every single night. That's why they are embarking on a new journey and opening a new facility for families at 409 N. Western Avenue in Sioux Falls. Their goal is to have the new family location open by January or February of 2024. Madeline Shields of BDHH joins Christine Manika on Sunday Focus to tell us about the project and how to donate.
12.10.23	29 Minutes	Christmas, Community, Entertainment: Christmas at the Cathedral is a timeless tradition in the Sioux Empire. The 27th Annual performance is set to take the stage at St. Joseph's Cathedral on December 14th until the 17th. This year's show is called "The Heavens Declare." Proceeds support the poor and vulnerable in our midst through endowments for the Bishop Dudley Hospitality House, as well as the ongoing care of the Cathedral of St Joseph. Director of Christmas at the Cathedral Mark Conzemius joins Sunday Focus to talk about the planning process, the history and wonder of the Cathedral, and the actors Sioux Falls can expect to see on stage.
12.17.23	20 Minutes	Community/Charitable Giving: It's the season of giving throughout the Sioux Empire. Results-Townsquare Media is once again proud to partner with the Children's Home Shelter for Family Safety for the Toy Drive & Gift-Wrapping Booth. Through Sunday, December 24th, you can donate a toy and have volunteers wrap your gifts with a donation to the Children's Home Shelter. Jon Mammenga joins host Christine Manika on Sunday Focus to talk about the latest numbers in the Sioux Empire, a new location opening in Rapid City, and the annual Toy Drive and Gift-Wrapping Booth. This shelter is open 24/7 and is here to serve the public.
12.17.23	9 Minutes	Travel, Tourism: The tourism industry is thriving in Sioux Falls and the state of South Dakota in general. From the fun concerts, entertaining events, and tasty restaurants, Sioux Falls has a lot to offer visitors. Sioux Falls is no longer the "drive-through town." It is a city where people explore and stay for vacation. The Executive Director from Experience Sioux Falls, Teri Schmidt, joins this show to talk about new businesses and developments in the city.
12.24.23	28 Minutes	Tourism, Travel: Travel during the holidays can be exciting and stressful. Due to the flying demand and need in the Sioux Falls area, lots of new projects are transforming the Sioux Falls Regional Airport. Including a new parking garage. Executive Director for the Sioux Falls Regional Airport Dan Letellier joins Sunday Focus to talk about updates with projects that includes the parking garage, new furry faces inside the terminal, flying options for travelers, and holiday travel advice.
12.31.23	29 Minutes	Homeless, Community: The City of Sioux Falls is growing by the day and there are people in our community experiencing homelessness. One organization helping others start a new chapter in life is the Union Gospel Mission of Sioux Falls. People who come to the Union Gospel Mission get food, shelter, clothing, and a new beginning. The CEO of the Union Gospel Mission of Sioux Falls Eric Weber sits down with Sunday Focus host Christine Manika to talk about the organization, how the Union Gospel Mission is responding to the city's growth, and how the community can get involved.

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