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**SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES
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During the 4th quarter of 2023, KVNF/KVMT provided coverage of many issues of importance to the Western Colorado community. Examples of programming broadcast on KVNF and KVMT that significantly addressed important issues are listed below.

<u>ISSUE</u>	<u>PROGRAM TITLE & DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>DURATION</u>
Western Fire Prevention	Writers on the Range: Goats can be a forest's best friend In wildfire-prone regions, goats have emerged as important fire-prevention allies, publisher Dave Marston writes. Duran Goats, a Colorado-based venture, deploys goats to clear dense vegetation and create defensible spaces. These hooved firefighters, Marston writes, offer an eco-friendly, cost-effective solution that will reshape fire prevention.	10/15/23 5:20 pm	06:04
ChicanX Psychologist addressing ancestral trauma	The Pen and The Sword: An interview with Psychologist, Curandera and Writer Alicia Enciso Litschi Alicia Enciso Litschi joins Taya Jae to talk about the intersection between traditional Western Psychology and the Earth-Centered, Soul-Honoring traditions of her Ancestral Roots. She shares how her ChicanX identity informs her work and the importance of returning to ancestral knowledge as a form of healing ancestral trauma, with caution.	10/13/23, 6 pm	30:23
Regional Science opinions	Rain & Shine: The Science of Nature, how the two things in science AND nature can work together in relationship, for example Biogeochemistry.	11/02/23 10:00 am	4:09

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Hispanic Heritage celebrating local leadership voices	<p>Firsthand experiences inspire Mesa County resident to work with fellow migrants, immigrants</p> <p>In recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month, we'll hear the final interview in our series with Western Slope Latinés. Today, we hear from Nelly Garcia Olmos. She's the executive director of La Plaza in Palisade, an organization that supports migrant and immigrant communities in Mesa County. Garcia Olmos speaks to KVNF's Laura Palmisano about being a first generation Latiné in the United States, challenges she faced when learning to navigate life in a new country, and her work with La Plaza.</p>	10/06/23, 8:00 am and 5:50 PM	5:54
Rural access to internet	<p>One of the most remote counties in the US is getting high-speed fiber internet</p> <p>At last, the only town in the most remote county in the lower 48 states is getting high-speed fiber internet. Work is underway to connect the tiny town of Lake City in southwestern Colorado. For KVNF, Laura Palmisano reports on the local, regional, and state partnership that made it happen.</p>	11/02/23, 8:00 am and 5:50 PM	4:50
Local School Board Elections	<p>Local Motion: Meet the 2023 school board candidates</p> <p>In this Local Motion, we continue our coverage of the 2023 Coordinated Election taking place on November 7. We meet the 11 Montrose and Delta school board candidates...there are seven candidates in Montrose vying for four open seats, and four candidates in Delta running for three open seats.</p>	11/01/23, 6:00 pm	30:00
Local Sports and Childcare Issues	<p>Regional Newscast -</p> <p>The Delta Panthers brought home the 2A State Football Title on Saturday with a huge win over Rifle this weekend. Unify Montrose initiated a community-driven project earlier this year to tackle Montrose's childcare crisis</p>	11/28/23, 8:00 am and 5:50 PM	08:10
Agriculture and Nature	<p>KVNF Farm Friday: Restoring Colorado wetlands one rock at a time</p> <p>According to a recent article in the Fence Post, Colorado State University along with several</p>	12/01/23, 8:00 am and 5:50 PM	02:45

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	partners are utilizing a low-tech method to help ranchers restore degraded meadows and ranchlands in Colorado. KVNF's Lisa Young speaks with CSU researcher Renee Rondeau about the work.		
Musician interview that addresses mental health	Talkin' Music: "Nina Nastasia" She discusses suicide, grief and getting to know herself again, today on Talkin' Music. Nina's album, <i>Riderless Horse</i> , is out now.	12/07/23 6:00 pm	27:06
Native-American Heritage Month coverage	Local Motion: "We're still here": Celebrating National American Indian Heritage Month On Local Motion, we celebrate Native American Indian Heritage Month. We pay a visit to the Ute Indian Museum in Montrose where KVNF's Cassie Knust meets CJ Brafford, the museum's director and care keeper. We'll explore the history of the Ute tribe in our region and what efforts the museum is making to preserve that history.	11/22/23 6:00 PM	30:00
Student mental health	Regional Newscast: Community intervention may have saved student's life Montrose County School District has opted for a more proactive, rather than reactive, approach to students' mental health. Over the last few years, the district has focused efforts on building safety and wellness teams, incorporating a community-wide system designed to help a student in distress <i>before</i> it's too late.	12/20/23 8:00 AM and 5:50 PM	4:14
Author of Cookbook	The Pen and The Sword: Lois Frank and Walter Whitewater Chefs Lois Frank and Walter Whitewater join Taya Jae to talk about their new cookbook, <i>Seed to Plate, Soil to Sky: Modern Plant-Based Recipes using Native American Ingredients</i> .	12/24/23 6:00 PM	26:57