

COMMUNITY ISSUES PROGRAM LIST- WEKL(FM)
Second Quarter 2022 (April- June)
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The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WEKL(FM), AUGUSTA, GEORGIA, for the period of April 1 – June 30, 2022. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance. All times are Pacific Daylight Time.

1. FAMILY
2. TEENS / YOUTH
3. PUBLIC SAFETY
4. UKRAINE

Issue	Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Program
Family Home Improvement	Closer Look	Apr 3	7:00 pm	27 minutes	<p>Americans On The Move - The Great Reshuffling? Facing realities, sometimes economic, sometimes health-related, people nationwide are reassessing personal priorities. Dvera Cohn of Pew Research Center confirms “about 1 in 20 adults told us they had moved permanently or temporarily due to the coronavirus outbreak,” a marked uptick from years past.</p> <p>Related Links: https://www.makemymove.com/ https://www.bankrate.com/authors/jeff-ostrowski/</p>

Family Parenting	Closer Look	Apr 10 Jun 19	7:00 pm	29 minutes	<p>'Solo' Parent Society Hosts Free Online Support Groups</p> <p>Grappling with this new solo responsibility, divorced dad Robert Beeson turned to his church for comfort and support. He was saddened to find very few Christian resources address the deep loneliness and doubt that many single parents endure. Out of his own need to be part of a welcoming faith community, he founded the Solo Parent Society. "Single to me says status, but solo is a condition -- we wanted to bring attention to the complexities that 34% of our homes are dealing with in America." Marya Morgan reports.</p>
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Families Adoption	Closer Look	May 22	7:00 pm	28 minutes	<p>Real Talk On Adoption - Thoughts On Trauma, Dignity and Birth Parents</p> <p>Adopting a child is beautiful -- but messy. "We're not always looking at it from the adoptee's side," cautions Jenn Hook, co-founder Replanted Ministry. Vanessa Joy Walker was adopted as a baby. "Grief is woven into an adoptee's journey," she says, adding desperate questions about birthparents are sometimes suppressed by pressure to be grateful. Walker advises parents to coach even young adopted children on how, when and with whom to share their own stories. "The grief and the gratitude can co-exist." Billie Branham reports.</p>
Children - Diseases	Closer Look	Jun 26	7:00 pm	28 minutes	<p>Sick Children Hunt And Fish Thanks To Catch-A-Dream Foundation</p> <p>The Catch-A-Dream Foundation provides all-expense paid trips for terminally-ill children who crave outdoor adventure. "Our job is to give them that opportunity to have what one child once called, a 'vacation from being sick'-- he said, 'when I'm huntin' and fishin' I don't really feel bad.'" Catch-A-Dream was specifically founded as a Christ-centered organization weaving the message of God's love and salvation into everything they do. Phil O'Bryan speaks with founding board member Dr. Marty Brunson.</p>

Teens & Unplanned Pregnancy	Closer Look	Jun 12	7:00 pm	29 minutes	<p>Young Girls Pregnant And Scared Turn To StandUpGirl.com</p> <p>Dawn-Marie Perez, executive director of StandUpGirl.com says their site stands ready to help. "Our mission is to have these girls be able to find life-affirming information through us -- and then we connect them with pregnancy centers in their neighborhood." Quick response is essential. "If you go google the word 'abortion' right now there are millions of websites that are gonna come up. Our goal is to have StandUpGirl show up on that <i>first page</i> of their google search."</p>
Youth Mentoring	Closer Look	May 1	7:00 pm	15 minutes	<p>'Dare To Dream' School Assemblies Ignite Hope In Tweens, Teens</p> <p>Air1's Dare To Dream school assemblies rely heavily on the power of personal experience, starting with the unlikely success Randy Rich enjoyed as a professional football player for the Detroit Lions, Denver Broncos, Oakland Raiders and Cleveland Browns. Various artists, musicians and pro-athletes take the mic to share their own struggles to believe and achieve.</p>
Child Safety	Closer Look	May 1	7:15 pm	14 minutes	<p>Young Children Give Out Phone Numbers, Chat With Strangers Online</p> <p>An Interview with the Center for Cyber Safety and Education and Eliza McCoy with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children about their age-appropriate training program called Netsmartz.</p>

Teen Issues & Safety	Closer Look	Jun 5	7:00 pm	15 minutes	<p>Help for Runaway Teens, Free Bus Tickets To Safety</p> <p>Teenagers are especially vulnerable to the evils of modern slavery. “Human trafficking is a legitimate concern for folks out the street,” says Jeff Stern, CEO of the National Runaway Safeline. More than 4-million teenagers are homeless every year, though not always by choice. “Whether it’s that they don’t feel safe in their own home, or whether they’ve been kicked out, this is not something young people generally want.” Whatever drove them to the streets, hunger inevitably awaits. Traffickers spot runaways as easy prey and sometimes offer food to bait the trap.</p>
Human Trafficking	Closer Look	Jun 5	7:15 pm	16 minutes	<p>A ‘Call To Action’: Challenging Human Trafficking Among Native American Tribes</p>

Public Safety Security	Closer Look	May 8	7:00 pm	29 minutes	<p>Be Safer At Work Or Church, Thoughts On Security</p> <p>You see trouble, you hear it - now believe it. "Trust your intuition...you know when a situation is different," says Hector Alvarez, an expert in workplace security with more than 25 years of experience in threat assessment. "One of your best bets for surviving these incidents is thinking about it before it happens." Preparation is key says Mindi Russell, exec. dir. of the Law Enforcement Chaplaincy of Sacramento. "Instead of, 'it will never happen here,' have the mindset that if something happens, this is what we'll do." Bob Dittman reports.</p> <p>https://www.klove.com/news/closer-look/health-and-safety/closer-look-be-safer-at-work-or-church-thoughts-on-security-2862</p>
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Refugees War	Closer Look	May 15	7:00 pm	25 minutes	<p>Ukraine Refugees Fed, Comforted By Convoy Of Hope</p> <p>“People need hope ultimately --and that’s what a full belly gives them - it allows them to plan for the future,” says Ethan Forhetz of Convoy of Hope. Truckloads of tuna, beans, rice, fresh water, baby food, hygiene kits even cellphone chargers distributed through European Christians have been crucial to the survival of displaced families. Lead spokesperson Sara Forhetz says this ultimately fulfills the Convoy mission. “The real hope of the world is Jesus -- to make Him famous through the local church.” Marya Morgan reports.</p> <p>https://www.klove.com/news/closer-look/faith-matters/closer-look-ukraine-refugees-fed-comforted-by-convoy-of-hope-3230</p>
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Ukraine	K-LOVE's Positive People	May	Monthly Feature Various	Weekly Promo 60 seconds Podcasts 5:57 7:52	<p>2 Students Who Grew Up In Ukraine Share Their Thoughts, Hopes, And Prayers At Ohio's Cedarville University</p> <p>Abigail Rist lived in Kyiv, Ukraine, for most of her life. Her dad oversaw pastoral leadership at Kyiv Theological Seminary. Jessica Wiebe also grew up in Kyiv, from first grade on, in a missionary family. Both young women's parents are American, and their families are now in safe locations as Russia continues its brutal attack against the sovereign nation. And both are currently students at Cedarville University in Ohio. Abigail and Jessica have been able to share about life in Ukraine with fellow students and professors, helping them understand the lifestyle and many concerns of the 44-million Ukrainians - <i>and pray</i> for Ukraine. Students and professors alike are eager to know more about the country and its people. We talked with Jessica and Abigail separately and obtained considerable insight and heartfelt thoughts that are available to you in our individual podcasts. In a sense, both young women are in a position to act as information ambassadors to Americans who are very concerned about the war and the brutal things happening at the hands of Russian forces.</p>
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Ukraine - Children	K-LOVE's Positive People	May	Monthly Feature Various	Weekly Promo 60 seconds Podcast 15:58	<p>Led By Determined Ohioan Sherri McClurg, 'New Horizons for Children' Protects the Vulnerable in Ukraine</p> <p>Ohio-Based New Horizons for Children has operated in Ukraine since 2009. When the prospect of a Russian invasion seemed likely in February, Executive Director Dr. Sherri McClurg traveled to Ukraine to see what could be done. “The plans were to go over before the war to be preventative. How can we help our orphanages? Are there any schools we need to evacuate to get children to a safer area in Ukraine? So that was all in the works - and the war broke out while I was there. Very overwhelming!” When it became clear the war was not going to be swift and done, “It quickly changed to which schools <i>do</i> need to evacuate? Which ones <i>can</i> we evacuate? It was the middle of a war zone, right, so we were spending time in bunkers, and it was getting really, really, scary and there were distinct moments that really stand out to me where I was just like, ‘Lord, what are we doing here?’... ‘Lord, I’m ready to go home!’ When I get out of this bunker, I’m out of here.” But Sherri shares the next morning God showed her just what his plan was for her.</p> <p>Representatives from the Ukrainian military asked to meet “and in that conversation they asked if what we were doing</p>
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Ukraine - Children	K-LOVE's Positive People	May		<p>So far, working with their partner Aerial Recovery, they have taken in 1,200 children to the western side of the country. And that number is growing. "These children, they're all in institutional care. They've all had complex developmental traumas throughout their life. They have trauma that they're already carrying. Now we're pulling them out of these war-torn regions." Her desire is to keep the kids in their own country where they know the culture and the language. Knowing the sheer number of Ukrainians - in the millions - who have crossed the border into Poland, Romania, and Moldova and the risks facing children, human traffickers for example, Sherri is getting considerable help from the area government to find good buildings to safely secure the children <i>inside</i> Ukraine. She believes many of the children who have crossed the border may never return to Ukraine. "We're bringing in blankets and bedding and medicine and providing medical care." "So, the whole point of the safe havens was to just stop some of the chaos and some of those additional traumas and just create a <i>space to breathe.</i>" Realizing the potential for intensified war to come to western Ukraine, "All of the safe havens are very close to the border, and we have emergency plans in place if we</p>
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					<p>need to emergency-evacuate all the kids across the border, we can do that." Looking ahead, the need will continue in different ways for years. "When this conflict resolves, lots of these schools have been blown up. There's no place for these children to even go back to. And what is this going to look like and what do we need to do? It's one thing to create a temporary shelter that's safe and warm and takes care of our needs right now, <i>but these are children</i>, and they've got a lot more needs than just this moment of getting them safe."</p>
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Military	Closer Look	May 29	7:00 pm	29 minutes	<p>U.S. Soldiers Join Cru Military Ministry Worldwide</p> <p>U.S. soldiers must endure grueling physical training. They suffer sleepless nights, heavy rucksacks, muddy marches and lonely months --or years-- separated from loved ones. As battle drills build strength and endurance for mind and body, Cru Military Ministry seeks to strengthen a soldier's heart and soul. The mission "for us, specifically...it's <i>spiritual fitness</i>," says Dave Eatman, retired Marine and Cru National Director. The ministry offers "discipleship, education and mentoring and encouragement to serve Christ well and walk with Christ well while in uniform."</p>
Poverty	Closer Look	Jun 5	7:30 pm	20 minutes	<p>Augusta Ministry</p> <p>Jack Church spoke with Becky Kiser, Interim Executive Director for Community Ministry of North Augusta. Kiser talked about how many people the organization serves thru various programs ranging from food distribution to help with rent and budgeting. Kiser also talked about the new impact of the new onsite Thrift Store that recently opened along with new offices for the ministry. At present there are 24 different churches of various denominations working with CMONA.</p>