ISSUE:

How is tax revenue from the sale of legal recreational marijuana in Colorado contributing to higher education?

Discussion of Issue:

Colorado's legalization of marijuana and the promised revenue stream increases has been of interest to the Pueblo Community. The Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation was able to add a new scholarship that came as a result of taxes on legal recreational marijuana sales.

Programming: KTSC-FM addressed this issue through a public affairs discussion. The following is an illustrative example of such programming:

a. T-Wolf Talk 02/19/17 7:04 a.m. – 7:15 a.m. Beverly Duran, executive director of Pueblo Hispanic Education Foundation, discussed various scholarship opportunities available through the organization. Scholarships range in eligibility and reward. All of the scholarships are directed at residents of Pueblo or Southern Colorado. One of the scholarships offered is generated by the proceeds of tax on marijuana sales. (Local).

ISSUE:

Why is there an increase in teen suicides and what is being done to address this issue?

Discussion of Issue:

Multiple teens in Pueblo completed suicide in January 2017. This left the community heartbroken and questioning why youths choose a permanent solution to a temporary problem. Many in schools and health centers in the community launched a renewed campaign to bring awareness and prevention to the sensitive issue of teen suicide.

Programming: KTSC-FM addressed this issue through a public affairs discussion. The following is an illustrative example of such programming:

a. T-Wolf Talk 02/26/17 7:04 a.m. – 7:39 a.m. Director of Behavioral Health at Pueblo Community Health Center Cindy Jimenez discussed the many factors that lead to suicide as well as ways to prevent it. This discussion came in light of a recent increase of youth suicides in the Southern Colorado area. (Local).

ISSUE:

Why did both Pueblo hospitals opt out of Proposition 106, the Colorado End of Life Options Act?

Discussion of Issue:

The Colorado End of Life Options Act was signed into law on December 16, 2016. The law stated that qualified terminally ill Colorado residents at least 18 years of age with a prognosis of six months or less to live are legally permitted to seek aid-indying services from licensed physicians to voluntarily end their lives with self-administered oral medication. Although Parkview Medical Center does not have a designated religious affiliation, they opted out of providing these services. An internal policy memo stated that although "patients have the right to request these services, they do not have the right to receive, medical aid-in-dying medications from any health care provider."

Programming: KTSC-FM addressed this issue through a public affairs discussion. The following is an illustrative example of such programming:

a. T-Wolf Talk 03/05/17 7:04 a.m. – 7:29 a.m. Vice President of Medical Affairs at Parkview Medical Center Dr. Steven Nafziger spoke about the hospital's decision to opt out of Proposition 106 the Colorado End of Life Options Act. St. Mary Corwin also opted out, but a spokesperson was unavailable for an interview. Dr. Nafziger also discussed the impact Obamacare has had on Parkview and how it is prepared for changing legislation. (Local).

ISSUE:

What contributes to Pueblo's economic development?

Discussion of Issue:

A large company in Pueblo closed its doors leaving hundreds searching for employment. The Pueblo Economic Development Corporation is responsible for developing Pueblo's economy through job creation and supporting local businesses.

Programming: KTSC-FM addressed this issue through a public affairs discussion. The following is an illustrative example of such programming:

a. T-Wolf Talk 03/19/17 7:08 a.m. – 7:37 a.m. President of Pueblo Economic Development Corp Jeffery Shaw discussed what PEDCO does for the residents of Pueblo as far as jobs and industries. He explained the types of industries the company tries to bring in, what it does when a business closes down, and how PEDCO helps current business grow in the area. (Local).

a. No shows aired beginning January 1, 2017 through January 15, 2017 and again between March 18, 2017 and March 26, 2017 due to university recognized recesses.

b. Public Services Announcements PSA'S, 30 sec., variable

KTSC-FM broadcast a number of public service announcements throughout the three months providing information and raising awareness for texting and driving, autism awareness, bullying prevention, discovering nature, stroke awareness, elderly care, child safety and car seats, driving under the influence of alcohol, shelter pets, and suicide awareness and prevention. (Local/Recorded).

c. News Programming

Throughout the past three months KTSC-FM News Department covered important events relating to a variety of local community issues broadcast in our daily five-minute news brief airing at 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. (Local). Duration 25 minutes per week, totaling 250 minutes of news programming for the quarter.