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QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS RELATED PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Newscasts – 6:25a.m. and 7:25a.m.

Provide Information on Accidents, City...County...and School Board meetings and business, Community Events, Court Cases, Crime, and Economic Development in the listening area.

“Iowa Business Report” Program—5:30a.m. every Sunday Morning

A 30-minute interview based radio program addressing Government, Social, Political, Economical, Environmental, and other topics and issues of statewide Interest.

The following summarizes a representative sample of programming that provided the most significant treatment of community issues during the past quarter. Programming frequently deals with more than one issue.]

Coverage Addressing the Following Issues:

- 1) Food Security
- 2) Transportation
- 3) Medical Services
- 4) Employment/Jobs

Issue	Date(s) Aired	Time(s)	Duration	Description of the Segment
Food Security	Jan. 4, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 16 seconds	Poweshiek County General Assistance Director Kristin Fantasia says food pantries in Grinnell, Malcolm, Brooklyn, and Montezuma are depleted from the holidays and need donations
Food Security	Jan. 12, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	59 seconds	State Representative Annette Sweeney says inflation and higher transportation costs are raising food prices, and elderly residents on fixed incomes are spending less on food and many times going hungry
Food Security	Jan. 29, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 19 seconds	Iowa State University County Extensionist Jody Price says community gardens are growing in popularity due to high food costs and explains how to start one
Food Security	Feb. 9, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	54 seconds	Grinnell College Students hosting a Food Drive at Drake Library next Saturday February 17th
Food Security	Feb. 19, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	1 minute 4 seconds	USDA says Iowa is not processing food assistance applications fast enough. Des Moines Area Religious Council spokesman Luke Elzinga says the delays are detrimental to those who need the food assistance
Food Security	Feb. 22, 2024	6:25a.m.	51 seconds	Iowa Grocery Industry Association Communications Specialist Audrey Comer says higher labor and transportation costs are driving up food prices and impacting industry profits
Food Security	March 22, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	48 seconds	Local Hunger Relief President Bill Bennett announces a regional meal packaging event in Newton Saturday April 20th, and volunteers are needed to package food primarily distributed locally
Food Security	March 23, 2024	7:25a.m.	59 seconds	a new policy statement from the American Heart Association recommends expanding and improving U.S. nutrition policies and programs to ensure all Americans can access nutritious food
Food Security	March 27, 2024	6:25 a.m. 7:25a.m.	1 minute 2 seconds	Annette Hacker of Food Bank Iowa holding regional meeting in Newton today to learn about local hunger and food insecurity issues

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Transportation	Jan. 12, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	42 seconds	Iowa State Patrol and the Iowa Department of Transportation advised against travel on all main roads this morning due to snow, blowing snow, and ice
Transportation	Jan. 16, 2024	7:25a.m.	47 seconds	Grinnell Public works Director recommends City Council increase the street maintenance budget for the coming fiscal year due to several deteriorating streets around Grinnell College
Transportation	Jan.29, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	54 seconds	Poweshiek County Engineer says rural road clearing operations from the recent heavy snowfall has increased overtime costs and will require cutbacks in other areas of the department's budget
Transportation	Feb. 1, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 6 seconds	Heart of Iowa Regional Transit Agency Outreach Coordinator Danny Schnathorst says nine new Ford Transit vehicles just added to the fleet should reduced the agency's maintenance cost and improve rider's experience
Transportation	Feb. 11, 2024	6:25 a.m.	1 minute 4 seconds	Iowa Department of Transportation awards state funding to a road improvement on Highway 63 near Montezuma
Transportation	Feb. 15, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	58 seconds	Iowa Police Chiefs Association President Dennis McDaniel says a bill to ban traffic enforcement cameras and require hands-free use of smartphones while driving is eligible for debate in the Iowa House and Senate
Transportation	March 9, 2024	7:25a.m.	56 seconds	County Road Department announces upcoming roadside ditch mowing and spraying to improve visibility at some specific locations.
Transportation	March 15, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	1 minute 13 seconds	Iowa State Patrol spokesman Sgt Alex Dinkla says the State Patrol and local law enforcement will have more officers on roads this weekend to catch and deter drunk drivers this St. Patrick's Day weekend
Transportation	March 28, 2024	6:25a.m.	1 minute 4 seconds	Poweshiek County Supervisors discuss maintenance priorities for the County's Farm to Market routes

Issue	Date(s) Aired	Time(s)	Duration	Description of the Segment
Medical Services	Jan. 15, 2024	7:25am.	1 minutes 15 seconds	Public Health Administrator Shelby Crewna explains the dangers of Radon Gas and the availability of home test kits to check for the dangerous gas
Medical Services	Jan. 18, 2024	6:25a.m.. 7:25a.m.	1 minute 8 seconds	LifeServe Blood Center spokeswoman Shay Willis says the blood stockpile is running critically low for area hospitals because heavy snowfalls canceled several mobile blood drives
Medical Services	Jan. 25, 2024	7:25a.m.	59 seconds	Executive Director of the Iowa Catholic Conference, Tom Chapman, says Health Care workers could refuse to provide any service that violates their ethical, moral, or religious beliefs under a bill that's cleared a State Senate subcommittee
Medical Services	Feb. 20, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	52 seconds	Iowa Senate approves extending pregnancy-related Medicaid coverage for 12 months rather than just 60 days after a baby is born
Medical Services	Feb. 26, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	1 minute 6 seconds	The Center for Healthcare Quality and Payment Reform releases a report indicating most rural hospitals (61-percent) no longer deliver babies
Medical Services	March 7, 2024	6:25a.m 7:25a.m.	50 seconds	The non-profit Patient Rights Advocate organization claims Grinnell Regional Medical Center is still not compliant with 3 year old federal price transparency requirements
Medical Services	March 11, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	48 seconds	Representative Hans Wilz says radon is leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers, so Iowa House has unanimously passed a bill requiring radon mitigation systems in newly constructed homes
Medical Services	March 19, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 16 seconds	State Representative Jon Dunwell says before this year's legislative session ends, funding has to be established for Medicaid reimbursement and local pharmacies filling prescriptions
Medical Services	March 29, 2024	7:25a.m.	55 seconds	Governor Kim Reynolds signs bill extending pregnancy-related Medicaid coverage to 12 months

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Employment/ Jobs	Jan. 15, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	1 minute 15 seconds	State Representative Jon Dunwell says job creation and economic growth will be issues discussed a lot in this year's legislative session
Employment/ Jobs	Jan. 19, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 7 seconds	Joe Murphy, President of the Iowa Business Council, says businesses across the state, from small shops to large multinational firms continue to have difficulty in finding qualified workers to fill positions
Employment/ Jobs	Jan. 28, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 11 seconds	Montezuma Manufacturing CEO says good pay and benefits and family atmosphere allows the company to retain workers long term, which is vital for a rural company that needs a sizeable workforce
Employment/ Jobs	Jan. 25, 2024	7:25a.m.	1 minute 10 seconds	Iowa Workforce Development says unemployment went down in Poweshiek County during December, with a new jobless rate of 2.5-percent
Employment/ Jobs	Feb. 3, 2024	6:25a.m.	58 seconds	Governor Kim Reynolds touts her new Iowa Health Careers Registered Apprenticeship Program, designed to provide High School students the opportunity to explore healthcare careers while getting paid
Employment/ Jobs	Feb, 25, 2024	6:25a.m. 7:25a.m.	52 seconds	Poweshiek County Attorney updates County Supervisors on difficulties experience in finding a person to fill a vacant Assistant County Attorney position
Employment/ Jobs	March 1, 2024	7:25a.m.	58 seconds	Governor Kim Reynolds unveils a new mobile workforce office that will travel the state to help connect out of work Iowans with new jobs
Employment/ Jobs	March 26, 2024	7:25a.m.	55 seconds	Iowa Workforce Development says local unemployment was lower in February than January...with new rate of 2.3-percent

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Jan. 01/24-001 Top Economic Story of 2023 (Christopher Markowski)	Jan. 02/24-002 State Effort to Avoid Investing for Non-Economic Purposes (Atty. General Brenna Bird)	Jan. 03/24-003 Economy Outperformed Expectations in 2023 (Jordan Goodman)	Jan. 04/24-004 Google Settlement with States Tops \$700M (James Czerniawski)	Jan. 05/24-005 Legislative Priorities for Business (Joe Murphy)
Jan. 08/24-006 Final Holiday Shopping Numbers Positive (Jordan Goodman)	Jan. 09/24-007 How to Succeed in Investing in 2024 (Christopher Markowski)	Jan. 10/24-008 Cost of Illegal Immigration to Taxpayers (Eric Ruark)	Jan. 11/24-009 Analyst Says Economic Reckoning is Coming (Edward Dowd)	Jan. 12/24-010 Dupaco Named to Newsweek Top 250 List (Emily Kress)
Jan. 15/24-011 Caucus Economic Benefits Beyond Initial Dollars Spent (Greg Edwards)	Jan. 16/24-012 Groups Seek Passage of State MEGA Program (Joe Murphy)	Jan. 17/24-013 Concern Over Rising Consumer National Debt (Art Aliv)	Jan. 18/24-014 National Foundry 4.0 Workshop Next Week (Todd Hutcheson)	Jan. 19/24-015 Congressional Budget Deadline Looms (Rep. Randy Feenstra)
Jan. 22/24-016 Shutdown Averted with New March Deadline (Jordan Goodman)	Jan. 23/24-017 Key Issues Facing Iowa Soy Producers (Brent Swart)	Jan. 24/24-018 Report Shows State Property Tax Disparity (Auditor Rob Sand)	Jan. 25/24-019 Expansion of School Choice Options Leads to Competition (Shelby Doyle)	Jan. 26/24-020 Common Sense Institute Expands Into Iowa (Kristin Strohm)
Jan. 29/24-021 Housing Market Continues to Slump (Jordan Goodman)	Jan. 30/24-022 Ames Construction Company Marks 90 Years in Business (Jon Sargent)	Jan. 31/24-023 Economist Warns of Impact of Inflation on Public Perception (Aaron Hedlund)	Feb. 01/24-024 Capital Expenditures Lead Optimistic Quarterly Outlook (Joe Murphy)	Feb. 02/24-025 Iowa-Based Pickleball App Developed (Blake Renaud)
Feb. 05/24-026 FAFSA Rollout Could Cost Families Money (Sen. Joni Ernst)	Feb. 06/24-027 Caucuses Benefit Iowa Economic Development (Gov. Kim Reynolds)	Feb. 07/24-028 Electric Vehicle Mandates Misguided (Ag Secretary Mike Naig)	Feb. 08/24-029 Congressional Budget Process Scrutinized (Rep. Zach Nunn)	Feb. 09/24-030 Robots Help Improve Flock Health (Jack Kilian)
Feb. 12/24-031 New Market High Level Set (Jordan Goodman)	Feb. 13/24-032 Causes of Today's Inflation and How to Fix It (Aaron Hedlund)	Feb. 14/24-033 Issues Facing Iowa Businesses (Joe Murphy)	Feb. 15/24-034 Disconnect Between Government Economic Data and Consumer Feelings (Phil Kerpen)	Feb. 16/24-035 Iowa Insurance Division's SmarterHER Money Program Offers Advice, Tips (Sonya Sellmeyer)

Feb. 19/24-036 The Brain's Impact on Business Operations (Dr. Kyra Bobinet)	Feb. 20/24-037 Impact of New Sports Streaming Services on Consumer Choice (Jordan Goodman)	Feb. 21/24-038 The Path to Operating Iowa Nursing Homes (Ryan Coane)	Feb. 22/24-039 Spring Employment Conference Features Topical Sessions (Nan Boland)	Feb. 23/24-040 Reaction to ESG Investing Mandates (Paul Tice)
Feb. 26/24-041 Tech Stocks Spur Overall Market Records (Jordan Goodman)	Feb. 27/24-042 Hawkeye Farm Show Opens in Cedar Falls (Scott Guttmerson)	Feb. 28/24-043 Optimism That Government Shutdown Will Be Averted (Sen. Charles Grassley)	Feb. 29/24-044 Iowa's Demographics and Diversity Compare Favorably with Other States (Joe Murphy)	Mar. 01/24-045 Longtime Iowa Bank Known for Work with Ag Community (Chuck Pausen)
Mar. 04/24-046 No Fed Rate Cut Expected Soon (Jordan Goodman)	Mar. 05/24-047 Action Items from Iowa Competitive Dashboard Data (Joe Murphy)	Mar. 06/24-048 Mexico is Key Trading Partner for Iowa Commodities (Ag Secretary Mike Naig)	Mar. 07/24-049 Economic Metrics: Americans See As Trouble Spots (Phil Kerpen)	Mar. 08/24-050 Mentally and Physically Fit Workforce Can Benefit Employers (Dr. Matt Kethman)
Mar. 11/24-051 New Jobs Report Uneven for 90 Day Track (Jordan Goodman)	Mar. 12/24-052 Lawsuit Leads to Year-Round E-15 Sales (Atty. General Brenna Bird)	Mar. 13/24-053 Iowa Workforce Leads to Plant Expansion (Jerry Ecklund)	Mar. 14/24-054 FIRST Robotics Cultivates Interest in STEM for Youth (Jeff Margret)	Mar. 15/24-055 Iowa is Competitive Compared with Other States (Ben Murrey)
Mar. 18/24-056 POTUS Call for Higher Taxes Not Supported by Data (Jordan Goodman)	Mar. 19/24-057 Iowa Tax Policy Designed to Stimulate Population Growth (Gov. Kim Reynolds)	Mar. 20/24-058 Iowa Jobs Data Compares Well with Other States (Ben Murrey)	Mar. 21/24-059 "Coolest Thing Made in Iowa" Competition Opens (Kelsey O'Connor)	Mar. 22/24-060 AI and HR Top Issues at Upcoming Conference (Nan Boland)
Mar. 25/24-061 Fed Still Plans to Cut Rates Three Times This Year (Jordan Goodman)	Mar. 26/24-062 Biden Administration Alters E-15 Mandates (Sen. Charles Grassley)	Mar. 27/24-063 Federal Budget Process Improved (Rep. Zach Nunn)	Mar. 28/24-064 Annual Iowa Rural Summit Previewed (Bill Manner)	Mar. 29/24-065 Similarities Between Sports Teams and Businesses (Lou Holtz)