

Issues Report

Quarterly Issues Program List for Station -- WBOI

July 1 - Sept. 30, 2019

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The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community this quarter:

Section I: Issues

- A. Public Health:** Public health matters, from infectious disease to addiction to mental health.
- B. Education:** Issues related to public school education in our community
- C. Politics and Government:** Indiana's legislative session and impact of federal legislation and regulation
- D. Criminal Justice:** Public safety and the courts
- E. Environmental issues:** Agriculture, clean water, and land use

Section II: Responsive Programs

The station broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues. The programs are outlined below:

A. Public Health:

“Infant Mortality Laws” -- (Broadcast on July 2 at 5:04 p.m. and July 3 at 8:04 a.m.)
Story by Indiana Public Broadcasting reporter Jill Sheridan.

“Mental Health Stigma” -- (Broadcast on July 8 at 5:04 p.m. and July 9 at 7:04 and 9:04 a.m.) Story by Indiana Public Broadcasting Reporter Lauren Chapman about a project designed to break down stigmas to mental health care.

“Vaping Illness” -- (Broadcast on Aug. 19 at 4:04 p.m. 6:04 p.m.) A story by Indiana Public Broadcasting's Isaiah Seibert on illnesses caused by vaping.

“Blue Green Algae” -- (Broadcast Sept. 17 at 5:04 p.m.) A report by WBOI's Rebecca Green about closure to a reservoir due to dangerous algae blooms.

B. Education:

“State Board of Education and Virtual Charters” -- (Broadcast on July 10 at 8:04 a.m. and 6:04 p.m.) A story by Indiana Public Broadcasting’s Jeanie Lindsay on two virtual charter schools.

“Kindergarten Countdown” -- (Broadcast on July 10 at 5:04 p.m. and July 11 at 8:04 a.m.) A story by WBOI’s Zach Bernard on United Way of Allen County’s Kindergarten Countdown.

“School Safety Refresher” -- (Broadcast on Aug 9 at 5:04 p.m. and Aug. 12 at 7:04, and 9:04 a.m. and 12:04 p.m.) A story by IPB’s Jeanie Lindsay on school safety grants.

“Anti-Voucher Campaign” -- (Broadcast on Sept. 16 at 6:04 p.m.) IPB’s Jeanie Lindsay reported two separate campaigns to attack school voucher programs.

C. Politics and Government:

“New Laws Not In Effect” -- (Broadcast July 5 at 8:04 a.m., 12:04 p.m. and 4:04 p.m.) IPB’s Brandon Smith took a look at some of the new laws not yet in effect in Indiana.

“Sexually-oriented Business Regulations” -- (Broadcast July 24 at 5:04 p.m. and July 25 at 8:04 a.m.) A story by WBOI’s Zach Bernard on attempts by city council to further regulate sexually-oriented businesses.

“Neighborhood Investment Proposal” -- (Broadcast Aug. 27 at 5:04 p.m.) WBOI’s Zach Bernard previewed a proposal by FW Mayor Tom Henry to invest millions in FW’s neighborhoods..

“Lottery Generates Record Revenue” -- (Broadcast Sept. 4 at 7:04 a.m., 9:04 a.m. and 12:04 p.m.) Indiana Public Broadcasting’s Brandon Smith reports on lottery revenues for the state of Indiana.

D. Public Safety/Criminal Justice:

“Valparaiso Midwife To Cease Work” -- (Broadcast July 4 at 5:04 p.m.) Associated Press story on a northwest Indiana midwife who is to cease operations.

“Sheriff Gladioux Subject of Criminal Report” (Broadcast July 19 at 5:04 and and July 20 at 7:04 and 9:04 a.m.) WBOI’s Rebecca Green reports on a police report involving the Allen County sheriff in an incident at the Three Rivers Festival.

“Con Artist Sentenced” -- (Broadcast Sept. 3 at 5:04 p.m. and Sept. 4 at 8:04 a.m.) WBOI’s Rebecca Green on final sentencing in a lengthy federal criminal case.

“Allen County Siren Survey” -- (Broadcast Aug. 13 at 4:04 p.m. and 6:04 p.m. and Aug. 14 at 8:04 a.m.) WBOI’s Rebecca Green reported on Allen County EMA study of emergency weather siren usage.

E. Environmental Issues:

“Volkswagen Awards” -- (Broadcast July 26 at 5:04 p.m. and July 28 at 7:04 and 9:04 a.m.) Indiana Public Broadcasting’s Rebecca Thiele reported on what would be purchased via the VW environmental settlement.

“EHD In Clark County Deer” -- (Broadcast Aug. 14 at 6:04 p.m. and Aug. 15 at 8:04 a.m. and 12:04 p.m.) Indiana Public Broadcasting’s Rebecca Thiele reported that on a contagious virus spreading in Indiana deer.

“Ruffed Grouse” -- (Broadcast Sept 17 at 4:04 p.m. and 6:04 p.m.) IPB’s Rebecca Thiele reported on a suggestion to list the Indiana bird on the endangered species list.

“Chemical Monitoring At Military Bases” -- (Broadcast Sept. 30 at 5:04 p.m.) IPB’s Rebecca Thiele reported IU’s plan to use a federal grant to monitor groundwater near military bases for pollution.

