

**Issues Programs List**  
**Quarterly Issues Programs List for Stations KTXN-FM**  
**April 1- June 30, 2019**

**Section I. Issues**

Through on-air announcements that air at various times of the day, KTXN-FM solicits input from Victoria and The Crossroads area in South Texas. Residents and members of our community tell us what concerns they have. From that feedback, we have identified the following as significant issues in our community:

**A. Victoria Federal Disaster Assistance:** Updated information from the Texas General Land Office about the billions of dollars in federal assistance still available for residents affected by Hurricane Harvey.

**B. Fire Safety in Victoria:** Fire Marshal Tim Legler discussed fire safety codes for businesses that want to expand or remodel.

**C. Victoria Tourism Industry:** Victoria's tourism drives a majority of the economy of our region. The City of Victoria works hard to engage residents and tourists to participate in the many activities in our area. Alejandro Hernandez- Valdez and Nina DeLeo from the Victoria Bach Festival to discuss the upcoming 44<sup>th</sup> Bach Festival that begins this summer.

**D. Victoria Green Recycling:** Updated information from Director of Environmental Services about how global economic factors are impacting Victoria's recycling program.

**E. Victoria Transportation Improvement:** Information from Maggie Bergeron with the MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) to ask for public input to update the MPO Master Plan.

**F. Tips to Stop Car Burglaries in 2019:** According to data from the police department, more than 400 vehicles were reported burglarized in Victoria from October 2018 to May 2019, and Officer John Turner with the Crime Prevention Unit offered information about motor vehicle theft and burglary reported to the police department between October 2018 and May 2019.

**Section II. Responsive Programs**

The stations have broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.

**A. Victoria Federal Disaster Assistance:** Broadcast on April 7, April 14, April 21 & April 28

Segment duration (10 minutes) Aired 6:30am-6:40am: This segment featured a discussion with Shannon Longoria from the Texas General Land Office about the billions of dollars in federal assistance that is still available for residents still affected by Hurricane Harvey. The program provides assistance through rehabilitating homes, reconstruction, improving homes to be stronger against natural disasters, elevating homes above flood level and temporary relocation. Shannon Longoria said applications went up after General Land Commissioner George P. Bush visited Victoria to give retired Army veteran Victor

Torres a tour of his new home. Torres was one of the first in the state to have a home rebuilt through the program.

**B. Fire Safety in Victoria:** Broadcast on April 7, April 14, April 21 & April 28

Segment duration (10 minutes) Aired 6:40am-6:50am: This segment featured a discussion with Victoria Fire Marshal Tom Legler about how the fire safety codes apply to new construction projects, remodeling an existing business or expanding a business. The Fire Marshal's Office urges business owners to contact his office before they begin major construction projects to avoid costly mistakes. The Fire Marshal invites any businesses considering expansion or remodeling to attend a Fire Marshal Round Table Discussion this July at the Victoria Community Center Annex.

**C. Victoria Tourism Industry:** Broadcast on April 7, April 14, April 21, April 28, May 5, May 12, May 19 & May 26

Segment duration (10 minutes) Aired 6:30am-6:40am: This segment featured a discussion with Alejandro Hernandez- Valdez and Nina DeLeo from the Victoria Bach Festival about the upcoming 44<sup>th</sup> Bach Festival that begins this summer. For one week each summer, the picturesque South Texas city of Victoria, population 65,000, rolls out its red carpet and welcomes some of the finest professional musicians from around the country to take part in the Victoria Bach Festival (VBF). Founded in 1976 by then Professor David Urness of the University of Houston-Victoria as a modest community celebration of the music of J. S. Bach, the festival has expanded significantly over the years, drawing professional musicians from coast to coast with a mid-sized orchestra, a Baroque string orchestra, and a choir, as well as guest artists and chamber music ensembles.

**D. Victoria Green Recycling:** Broadcast on May 5, May 12, May 19 & May 26

**Segment duration (10 minutes) Aired 6:30am-6:40am:** This segment featured a discussion with Darryl Lesak - Director of Environmental Services about how global economic factors are impacting Victoria's recycling program. Modern packaging often confuses people about what's recyclable. And China has stricter policies about what material it will accept for recycling. But landfill "mining" could be the way forward. He says the U.S., and Texas specifically, are in a waste management crisis brought on by overconsumption.

"So, think about the consequence: One: you have a lot of plastic; you used to send it to China, now you cannot send. If you cannot make a local market, if you cannot create a local market, they're going back to our landfill. And many of the major metropolitan cities, they're running out of landfill space," Lesak says. "You design the landfill in a way that's called 'perpetual landfill.' Let's say a landfill life is 20 years, and you divide it into four different cells: each cell will fill up in five years. So you start with cell 1, cell 2, cell 3 – when you're filling cell 4, you're mining cell 1. When cell 4 is complete, cell 1 is ready to go."

That's right, landfill "mining." He says after several years of degradation, almost 90% of material in a landfill becomes recyclable or compostable. Digging up our old trash could solve the space issue. But there's still the question of who's going to buy the recycled material. Now it's up to local governments, small businesses and entrepreneurs to create a market for this material if China won't take it.

**E. Victoria Transportation Improvement:** Broadcast May 5, May 12, May 19, May 26, June 2, June 9, June 16, June 23 & June 30

**Segment duration (10 minutes) Aired 6:30am-6:40am:** This segment featured a discussion with Maggie Bergeron with the MPO asking for public input to update the MPO master plan. This provides a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs that consider all transportation modes and supports metropolitan community development and social goals. These plans and programs shall lead to the development and operation of an integrated, intermodal transportation system that facilitates the efficient, economic movement of people and goods.

There are twenty-five MPOs in Texas. Each of the MPOs receive federal funding for transportation planning. Many also receive state and local funds as well in order to carry out their mandated planning activities. All MPOs are required to produce a transportation plan.

**F. Tips to Stop Car Burglaries:** Broadcast June 2, June 9, June 16, June 23 & June 30

**Segment duration (20 minutes) Aired 6:40am-7:00am:** This segment featured a discussion with LT John Turner about investigating reports of motor vehicle theft and burglary reported to the police department between October 2018 and May 2019, and the successful recovery of stolen automobiles and property through investigation, detection and apprehension. The Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention task force also investigates false reports of motor vehicle theft which are usually a result of insurance fraud or persons losing their cars during drug deals (drug trades). It is estimated that 30% of all insurance claims involve some type of fraud, therefore false reporting of auto theft and insurance fraud is aggressively investigated and prosecuted. Officer Turner also works to provide public awareness and education on auto theft and burglary prevention.