

# Akron Group – WAKR, WONE-FM, WQMX 2021 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Community Issues/Programs

During 2021, a survey was conducted by the Center for Marketing and Opinion Research to assess the community needs facing Akron and Summit County. According to the most recent information we have, the problems facing Northeast Ohio during the period fell into the following categories (presented in order of importance):

- 1. Healthcare
  - a. Access to care
  - b. COVID 19
- 2. Economic Issues
  - a. High Taxes
  - b. Poverty
  - c. Cost of Living
  - d. Small Business Closures
  - e. Financial Security in the Face of COVID
- 3. Employment
  - a. Not Enough Good Paying Opportunities
  - b. Retaining Talent
- 4. Crime & Safety Concerns
  - a. Gun Violence
  - b. Jail Overcrowding
  - c. Law Enforcement Issues
- 5. Government & Infrastructure
  - a. Roads & Bridges/Traffic
  - b. Water & Sewer Infrastructure
  - c. Political Infighting/Partisanship
  - d. Lack of Leadership
- 6. Substance Abuse/Heroin
- 7. Housing
- a. Homelessness
- b. Property Values
- c. Lack of Affordable Housing
- d. Vacant or Neglected Properties
- 8. Education
  - a. School Funding

- b. Ineffective Education System
- c. Cost of Services

NOTE: Previously, Substance Abuse was considered the most important issue facing our communities. Since then COVID has emerged as the primary concern.

CORONAVIRUS: COVID continues to affect our listening public and during the quarter, we have focused on the continuing adjustments to best COVID practices being made by the state, and we have reported on the announcements made by Ohio's Governor DeWine. Attention has also been paid to mis-information being distributed by other media and the emergence of anti-vax and anti-mask campaigns.

EQUAL RIGHTS/DIVERSITY: During the past year, we have seen the Black Lives Matter movement raise awareness of inequality and lack of diversity across many opportunities. As a result, we have seen new programs designed to address these concerns. Our stations will continue to follow these trends and report on them when appropriate.

WAKR-WONE-WQMX focused on the following issues for this quarter:

- 1. Health & Wellness (including COVID19 and vaccinations)
- 2. Political Leadership
- 3. Diversity (including Black Lives Matter)
- 4. Economy and Jobs (getting people back to work.)
- Social Services
- 6. Education
- 7. Housing Development

## **Regularly Scheduled Programs**

In addition to the programs listed, stations also provided the following regularly scheduled news and community service programming:

**WAKR News** – 3:00 length local newscasts 5am-9am M-F at the top and bottom of each of each hour 5:30a-8:30a, and top of the hour following CBS News 9a-1p.

**CBS News** – airs on 1590 WAKR Newscasts are 6:00 in length until 9am M-F, with the exception of the World News Roundup at 8:00 a.m. M-F (10 minutes) and 1-min hourly updates throughout the day.

**WAKR Ray Horner Sho**w – 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Monday-Friday. News, sports, weather, traffic, business and topical interviews of local, national and community interest.

**America in the Morning** - airs on 1590 WAKR 5a-6a M-F with topical news, sports, business and information. 54:00 length. Network program.

**WONE News** – 1:30 length hourly local newscasts 6a-8a weekdays. These newscasts are conversational in nature and air at 6:40am, 7:40am and 8:40am.

**WQMX News** – 2:30 length local newscasts 5:30a-8:30a at the top and bottom of each hour weekdays.

**Akron Weather Updates** - all stations present weather updates at least every hour during live programming and break in to programming when severe weather events warrant.

**Akron Traffic Updates** - All stations: regular traffic and highway construction updates at least four times each hour on WAKR, WONE & WQMX during weekday mornings. Updates are provided weekday afternoons as needed.

**Spectrum** – produced by the RCRG Newsroom presenting in-depth treatment of local, regional and national issues. Some programs also include presentations of the City Club of Cleveland highlighting a wide range of programming. Airs on WAKR and WONE.

**Forum 360** – produced by the Jewish Community Center of Akron in association with the Rubber City Radio Group, a 30-minute program airs each Monday morning at 12:30 a.m. on WAKR and Sunday at 6:30 a.m. on WONE at 5:30 p.m. on WAKR depending on sports schedules.

**Center Talks** – produced by the Akron Urban League and 1590 WAKR with information on agencies and programs of benefit to the Akron urban community. This program runs 30:00.

**Ready, Set Grow** - on 1590 WAKR with host Tom Dayton offering advice for gardening and landscaping. Saturday 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. This program also airs Sunday evenings on a replay.

**My Beautiful Home** - on 1590 WAKR with hosts Katherine DeLong and Andy January with information on home décor and preserving value for homeowners. Saturday 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. This program also airs Sunday evenings on replay.

**CBS Weekend Roundup** - a 48:00 minute review of the week's biggest news stories. Program airs Sundays on WAKR.

**CBS Face the Nation** - a 58:00 program with news and debate originating in Washington, D.C. Program airs Sundays on WAKR.

#### **RCRG Community Outreach**

As part of our continued community outreach, RCRG works in partnership with various community groups to both raise funds and help operations of non-profit charitable groups and profile worthwhile community events. Among the initiatives for this quarter:

#### All Stations Participated in these Community Events

**Akron Marathon.** RCRG Stations provided promotional support for the Akron Marathon, held on September 25<sup>th</sup>. The Marathon is a world class event that attracts runners from around the globe and generates economic benefits and goodwill for the region.

## **WQMX Hosted or Participated in the Following Community Events:**

<u>Pet Rescue:</u> WQMX hosts a weekly event on its morning show featuring animals available for adoption. We work with various local independent pet rescue organizations. We also support this program with social media.

#### **WONE Hosted or Participated in the Following Community Events:**

#### **Rock The Lock**

This is a weekly TGIF sponsored by the Radio Station. Event supports the Valor Home of Summit County. An agency that supports efforts to find affordable housing for US Military Veterans. This event runs weekly from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day weekend. Various WONE personalities participate in this event.

### Taste of the NFL

September 14, 2021. This annual event sponsored and hosted by WONE, raises money for the Akron-Canton Food Bank. WONE's Tim Daugherty was the emcee for the evening.

# IBH 50th Anniversary Gala Celebration

September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The International Brotherhood Home works with persons suffering with drug addiction and alcoholism, offering those people an opportunity to restore hope and gain skills for a lifetime of sobriety. WONE was a promotional sponsor of their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. WONE's Tim Daugherty was the evening's emcee.

# **WAKR Community Programming:**

<u>Ray Horner Morning Show:</u> This program airs 5:30a - 9:00a, Monday-Friday with the exception of major holidays. It provides regular newscasts, sports, traffic and weather in addition to a regular listing of community, news and topical interviews.

Here is a summary of the Issues and Topics covered during the quarter:

Date	Time	Guest/Topic	Category
06/01/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: high blood pressure concerns.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/01/21	07:10 AM	John Pribonic, Mayor of Stow: purchase of new developmental land for his city.	Political Leadership
06/02/21	06:40 AM	Mark Salchak, IBH: how they are still at work helping families in Akron.	Social Service Agencies
06/02/21	07:40 AM	Tim Streid, OHSAA: preview of the softball state finals in Akron this week.	Economy
06/02/21	08:15 AM	Paul Viollis, National Security: on QANON, and education into this group.	Crime and Personal Safety
06/03/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Eric Bonner, American Alliance of Medical Professionals: on the younger USA population not getting the vaccine.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/03/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: a look at projects for Akron now that will pave the future for Akron.	Political Leadership

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06/03/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: shade cover in the lawn.	Education
06/04/21	06:40 AM	Melvin Blake, City of Akron: on sponsoring the OHSAA State Finals for softball in Akron.	Economy
06/04/21	07:10 AM	Ty Higgins, Ohio Farm Bureau: on security measures now in place by Ohio Farmers for protection from hack attacks.	Crime and Personal Safety
06/04/21	07:35 AM	Gregg Mervis, Akron Convention Bureau: on re-opening Akron/Summit county for tourism.	Economy
06/07/21	06:40 AM	David James, Akron Public Schools Superintendent: on his retiring.	Education
06/07/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: sun and heat concerns for our pets.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/07/21	08:40 AM	Tim Streid, OHSAA: softball done and now baseball finals in Akron this week.	Economy
06/08/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: sun exposure dangers.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/08/21	07:10 AM	Robert Dodado, Prism Wealth Management: higher education planning.	Economy
06/09/21	06:20 AM	Chris Kazmar, Walsh Jesuit Baseball Coach: on his team in the state finals in Akron.	Education
06/09/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Eliot Mostow, Dermatologist: on sun screen application and the dangers of to much sun.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/09/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Cliff Deveny, President of Summa Care: on how Summa is currently with covid 19.	Health Care
06/10/21	06:40 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: life span of vaccine.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/10/21	00:00 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: hiring of a new police chief.	Political Leadership
06/10/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: fighting hemlock, the dangers	Education

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06/10/21	08:15 AM	Andrew Bonnette, Hoban Baseball Coach: on being in the state finals in Akron.	Education
06/11/21	07:20 AM	Lindsay McCoy, WFMJ TV: Lordstown Motors problems.	Economy
06/11/21	07:40 AM	Richard Peterson, Capital Financial Group: summer savings and credit card education.	Economy
06/11/21	06:20 AM	Justin Chesnic, ODOT: summer road work and projects.	Transportation
06/14/21	06:20 AM	Dr. Kathryn Wilson, Kent State University: economic recovery in the job market coming out of the pandemic.	Economy
06/14/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: anxiety conditions for pets and treatment.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/14/21	08:40 AM	WAKR Business of the Week, Great Work Employment, Tia Ramlow.	Economy
06/15/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: allergies and covid relations.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/15/21	07:10 AM	Jim McIntyre, American Red Cross: blood shortage.	Social Service Agencies
06/15/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Donald Dumford, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: Delta Variant and the vaccine working against it.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/15/21	08:15 AM	Bill Roth (Fairlawn Mayor), Illene Shapiro (Summit County Executive): on highspeed broadband being questioned in Columbus.	Political Leadership
06/16/21	06:20 AM	Dr. Thomas File, Summa Health System: Delta variant of covid.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/16/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Hazel Barton, University of Akron: vaccine fighting the variants of covid.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/16/21	08:15 AM	Margo Sommerville, President of Akron City Council: police body cam footage to be available quickly in Akron.	Political Leadership
06/17/21	07:10 AM	James Hardy, Deputy Mayor of Akron: infrastructure needs still in Akron	Political Leadership

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06/17/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: on different types of grasses for different places in your lawn.	Education
06/18/21	06:20 AM	David James, Akron Public Schools Superintendent: on accepting job in Columbus Schools.	Education
06/18/21	07:10 AM	Doug Ute, Executive Director of OHSAA: on baseball and football finals remaining in Akron.	Education
06/21/21	06:40 AM	Don Padgett, Executive Director of the Bridgestone Seniors: overview of event this week in Akron.	Economy
06/21/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: digestive problems and what that could mean to your dog.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/22/21	06:20 AM	Tim Dimoff, SACS Security : on more mass shootings across country.	Crime and Personal Safety
06/22/21	06:40 AM	Larry Napora, Firestone Golf Course Director: on the south course at Firestone and fans should expect to see.	Economy
06/22/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: getting the right protein in your body.	Gen. Health and Wellness
06/22/21	07:40 AM	Lisa Blough, Superintendent of Coventry Schools: on getting our of fiscal emergency in district.	Education
06/23/21	06:20 AM	Jasen Segedy, Akron Planning Director: on what a new downtown may look like after pandemic.	Economy
06/23/21	06:40 AM	Bambi Miller, Bridgestone Seniors: on the volunteers that make the tournament go.	Economy
06/23/21	07:40 AM	Lisa Dalpiaz, CAK Airport: on airline travel through Akron / Canton Airport.	Transportation
06/24/21	06:40 AM	Terry Ganley, Northern Ohio Golf Charities: on dollars going back into greater Akron from golf event.	Social Service Agencies
06/24/21	07:10 AM	James Hardy, Deputy Mayor of Akron: what the new downtown may look like.	Political Leadership
06/24/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: bugs eating your plants, what to do.	Education

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06/24/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Cliff Deveny, President/CEO of Summa Health System: new medical facility in Stow.	Health Care
06/24/21	08:40 AM	David Haney, President of Hiram College: on his new role as president and challenges ahead in higher education	Education
07/01/21	06:20 AM	Dan Flowers, Akron/Canton FoodBank President: on new facility in Canton.	Social Service Agencies
07/01/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: new development in Akron.	Political Leadership
07/01/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: water problems ahead for plants, excess water.	Education
07/02/21	06:40 AM	Kevin Thomas, Akron AAA: holiday travel expectations.	Transportation
07/06/21	06:40 AM	Clay Cozart, FOP President: police recruitment problems.	Crime and Personal Safety
07/06/21	07:10 AM	Laing Kennedy, Kent State University: new policies with NCAA athletes receiving compensation.	Education
07/06/21	07:40 AM	Paul Viollis, Enforcement Consultant: executions halted across country.	Crime and Personal Safety
07/07/21	06:40 AM	Charles Guthrie, University of Akron Athletic Director: new laws pertaining to athletes getting compensation for athletics.	Education
07/07/21	07:40 AM	Gary Rosen, Attorney: conservativeship, what that means.	Education
07/07/21	08:15 AM	Pam Faulk, CBS News: covid fight globally.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/08/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Aaron Lear, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: the need for AED	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/08/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: development back in gear.	Political Leadership
07/08/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: ground cover for shade.	Education

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07/09/21	06:20 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: delta variant concerns.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/09/21	07:10 AM	Tom Dunn, President of the NE Ohio Auto Dealers Association: product availability problems.	Economy
07/19/21	06:40 AM	Mark Gerberich, Executive Director of the Soap Box Derby: All American Derby is back this week in Akron.	Economy
07/19/21	07:10 AM	Shontel Brown, Candidate: Ohio Congress.	Political Leadership
07/19/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: excessive coughing, causes.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/19/21	08:15 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on fight with Covid!!	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/20/21	06:20 AM	Tim Dimoff, SACS Security President/CEO: security at large venues with gun issues here.	Crime and Personal Safety
07/20/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: causes and treatment for when someone passes out.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/20/21	07:10 AM	Nancy Holland, Labor Attorney: work place harassment.	Crime and Personal Safety
07/20/21	07:40 AM	Jim Phander, Akron Rubberducks General Manager: homestand this week.	Economy
07/20/21	08:15 AM	Penny Bomba, Akron Arts Expo: preview of the event.	Economy
07/21/21	06:20 AM	Bill Roemer, Ohio House of Representative: Ohio	Political Leadership
07/21/21	06:40 AM	Mark Gerberich, Executive Director of Soap Box Derby: 2021 All American Derby preview.	Economy
07/21/21	07:40 AM	Robert Dodaro, Prism Wealth Management: economic recovery update.	Economy
07/21/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children Hospital: high heat training.	Gen. Health and Wellness

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07/22/21	06:20 AM	Gary Rosen, Attorney: family law changes for divorced parents in regards to children services.	N/A
07/22/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Mayor of Akron: how Akron is recovering from the pandemic financially.	Political Leadership
07/22/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: vegetable plants rotting, causes.	Education
07/23/21	06:40 AM	Mark Gerberich, President of the All American Soap Box Derby: preview of the weekends championships.	Economy
07/23/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Hazel Barton, University of Akron: education into variant, Delta and how it is attacking the bodies of those who are vaccinated.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/23/21	08:40 AM	John Barker, President of the Ohio Restaurant Association: recovery for the state	Economy
07/26/21	06:40 AM	Mark Gerberich, President of the All American Soap Box Derby: review of the weekend at Derby Downs.	Economy
07/26/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Eric Robinette, Akron Children's Hospital: Covid now moving in on children.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/26/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: flea and ticks all over the place.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/27/21	06:20 AM	Christine Fowler-Mack, Akron Public Schools Superintendent: on gong back to school with masks in place.	Education
07/27/21	07:10 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: covid variant growing in strength.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/27/21	07:40 AM	Steve Millard, Greater Akron Chamber President: on economic recovery out of pandemic.	Economy
07/27/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Brian Harte, President of Cleveland Clinic Akron General: on high ratings and covid update.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/28/21	06:20 AM	Dr. Thomas File, Summa health System: update on Delta Variant of covid.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/28/21	07:40 AM	Howard Parr, Akron Civic Theatre: on now taking over Goodyear Theatre operations.	Economy

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07/28/21	07:45 AM	Paul Viollis, Law Enforcement Consultant: House Hearings on insurrection of January 6th.	Crime and Personal Safety
07/28/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children's Hospital: leg sprains, different levels.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/29/21	06:40 AM	Manfred Van Dulmen, Kent State University: safety protocol going back to campus.	Education
07/29/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: covid update and information about the Akron medical care.	Political Leadership
07/29/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: fungus	Education
07/29/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Cliff Deveny, President/CEO Summa Health Center: ongoing battle with covid.	Gen. Health and Wellness
07/30/21	06:40 AM	Marian Calvin, Salvation Army: on the need for funds as more need help.	Social Service Agencies
07/30/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Toni Bisconte, University of Akron: stress and anxiety of young athletes.	Health Care
08/02/21	06:20 AM	Ken Babby, Owner Akron Rubberducks: on receiving the community medal award from Salvation Army.	Social Service Agencies
08/02/21	06:40 AM	Joe Vassalotti, Akron Public Schools Athletic Director: on new fall sports season with covid protocol in place.	Education
08/02/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: shark education.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/02/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Kathryn Wilson, Kent State University: economic recovery during the pandemic.	Economy
08/03/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Aaron Lear, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: high heat health.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/03/21	08:15 AM	Justin Chesnic, ODOT: Kenmore leg changes.	Transportation
08/04/21	06:20 AM	Tim Dimoff, SACS Security President: Police recruitment.	Crime and Personal Safety

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08/04/21	06:40 AM	Bill Wilson, Attorney: lawful way of trademarks and name changing.	Crime and Personal Safety
08/04/21	07:40 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on covid in Summit County.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/04/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children's Hospital: high school fall sport athletes now training.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/05/21	06:40 AM	Bill Eppling, SummaCare president: on now having Cleveland Clinic facilities now available for SummaCare patients.	Health Care
08/05/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: on still at war with covid 19.	Political Leadership
08/05/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: health of fruit and veggie plants.	Education
08/05/21	08:15 AM	Sherrod Brown, U.S. Senator: on infrastructure bill.	Political Leadership
08/06/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Jim Libecco, Dermatologist: on the rise in skin cancer.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/06/21	07:10 AM	Ren Camacho, President of the Akron/Canton Airport: on questions in the air travel world and the good story to tell on air travel coming back.	Transportation
08/06/21	08:40 AM	Tim Ryan, Congressman: on the House Hearings on the Insurrection.	Political Leadership
08/09/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Ethan Benore, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: student anxiety going back to school.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/09/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Alyssa Diamant, Summa Health System: packing the right lunches for our children.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/09/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: excessive coughing in our pets, concerns.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/09/21	08:15 AM	Virginia Addicott, Akron Children's Hospital: ADHD cases on rise.	Health Care
08/10/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: staying hydrated in the heat.	Gen. Health and Wellness

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08/10/21	07:10 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on covid in Summit County.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/10/21	08:15 AM	Robert Dadado, Prism Wealth Management: student loan forgiveness.	Economy
08/11/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Rob McGregor: Akron Children's Hospital: hospital visits by children with Covid.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/11/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children's Hospital: staying hydrated when exercising.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/12/21	06:20 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: now a booster will be needed for immunocompromised people.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/12/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: on how the city is doing financially in 2021.	Political Leadership
08/12/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: the death of evergreens.	Education
08/12/21	08:15 AM	Paul Viollis, Viollis Enterprises: US hate groups gaining strength.	Crime and Personal Safety
08/13/21	06:40 AM	Tim Streid, OHSAA: images and likeness awards for high school athletes.	Education
08/13/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Donald Dumford, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: update on delta variant the possible need for a booster shot.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/13/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Gary Miller, President of the University of Akron: protocol for reopening school.	Education
08/16/21	06:40 AM	Jeff Ramnitz, Barberton Schools Superintendent: going back to school protocol with covid still an issue.	Education
08/16/21	07:20 AM	Justin Chesnic, ODOT: Kenmore leg and center interchange projects.	Transportation
08/16/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: anxiety issues with pets and depression.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/16/21	08:40 AM	WAKR Business of the Week: Akro-Mils, Greco Cash.	Economy

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08/17/21	06:20 AM	Dr. Scott Walkus, Malone University: on the situation in Afghanistan in regards to President Biden.	Political Leadership
08/17/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: stress and anxiety of going back to school for students and parents.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/17/21	07:10 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on covid numbers in Summit County.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/18/21	07:40 AM	Jim Phander, Akron Rubberducks General Manager: on team	Economy
08/18/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Rob McGregor, Akron Children's Hospital: Covid and unmasked children.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/18/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children's Hospital: proper ways to hydrate in the heat.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/19/21	06:40 AM	Richard Peterson, Capital Financial Group: covid economic recovery with delta here.	Economy
08/19/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan , Akron Mayor: product shortage affect work projects.	Political Leadership
08/19/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: throwing dead flowers in trash, not the ground.	Education
08/19/21	08:50 AM	Joe Vassalotti, Akron Public Schools Athletic Director: preview of football season.	Education
08/20/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Elliott Mostow, Dermatologist: skin cancer cases on the increase, why?	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/20/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Aaron Lear, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: general health of our youth during high heat days.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/20/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Rich Londraville, University of Akron: covid still spreading with variant.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/23/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: ticks and flea fight.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/23/21	08:40 AM	John Barker, Ohio Restaurant Association: update on the jobs available in Ohio	Economy

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08/24/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: sleep clinic and how the lack of sleep affects your overall health.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/24/21	07:10 AM	Eric Garrett, Akron Barber College: leadership of school in Akron and changing lives.	Education
08/24/21	07:40 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on vaccine rollout and chances of boosters in the pandemic fight.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/24/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Laura Gerak, Akron Children's Hospital: anxiety issues with children going back to school.	Gen. Health and Wellness
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08/25/21	06:40 AM	Robert Dodado, Prism Wealth Management: IRA education.	Economy
08/25/21	08:15 AM	Madhu Sharma, International Institute in Akron: Immigration reform and education.	Race, Religion and Diversity
08/26/21	06:20 AM	Dr. Kevin Baldie, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: high heat health.	Gen. Health and Wellness
08/26/21	06:40 AM	Tony Tsaruhaus, Attorney: liability at Amusement Parks, Cedar Point.	Crime and Personal Safety
08/26/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: watering grass and plants for protection during high heat.	Education
08/27/21	06:10 AM	Doug Piekarz, Akron Zoo: new grant for education needs at the zoo.	Economy
08/27/21	06:40 AM	WAKR High School Football Game of the Week: Tallmadge at Ellet.	Education
08/27/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: housing in 2021 in the city.	Political Leadership
08/30/21	06:10 AM	Cristine Fowler-Mack, Akron Public Schools Superintendent: on getting back to school with covid protocol in place.	Education
08/30/21	07:10 AM	Dr. Cliff Deveny, CEO Summa Health System: hospital personal holding up during covid fight.	Health Care

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08/30/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet on Your Pet: coughing in our pets, what could that mean.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
08/30/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Kathryn Wilson, Kent State University Economics: global situations affecting US economy.	Economy	
08/31/21	06:10 AM	Jim McEntyre, American Red Cross: sending workers to Hurricane areas of the country to help in recovery efforts.	Social Service Agencies	
08/31/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: mental health awareness.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
08/31/21	07:10 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on Delta variant of covid.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
08/31/21	07:40 AM	Joe Vassalotti, Akron Public Schools: update on fall athletics.	Education	
09/01/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Chelsy Whyand, Akron Children's Hospital: anxiety medication for children.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/01/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children's Hospital: mental strain on young athletes, mental health.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/02/21	06:40 AM	Andy Hill, Wadsworth Superintendent: on masking policy in his district with covid cases high.	Education	
09/02/21	06:50 AM	George Fisk, Coventry Schools Superintendnet: covid cases low in his district, why?	Education	
09/02/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: emergency plans in place in the city.	Political Leadership	
09/03/21	06:40 AM	High School Game of the Week: STVM at Barberton, interviews with coaches.	Education	
09/03/21	07:10 AM	Tim Dimoff, SACS Security: new gun laws in Texas, how it effects the country with new carry law in Texas.	Crime and Personal Safety	
09/03/21	08:40 AM	Allen Perk, Akron Pizza Fest: update on the event in Akron.	Economy	
09/10/21	06:10 AM	Tim Dimoff, SACS Security: update on fight against terror, 20 years after 9/11	Crime and Personal Safety	

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09/10/21	06:20 AM	Larry States, former WAKR News Director: reliving 9/11, war on Terror	Crime and Personal Safety	
09/10/21	07:10 AM	Don Plusquellic, former Akron Mayor: reliving 9/11 in Akron.	Political Leadership	
09/20/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Gary Riggs, Vet. on Your Pet: dogs with a sideways walk, problems?	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/20/21	08:15 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on covid 19 battle.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/21/21	06:10 AM	Anne Bitong, Akron Marathon: overview of the event in Akron this week.	Economy	
09/21/21	06:20 AM	Teri Heckman, Executive Director of the Battered Womans Shelter	Crime and Personal Safety	
09/21/21	06:40 AM	Dr. Debbie Plate, Cleveland Clinic Akron General: long hauler clinics in Akron.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/21/21	07:40 AM	Dr. Hazel Barton, University of Akron: vaccine potency with variants spreading covid 19.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/22/21	06:20 AM	Dr. Thomas File, Summa Health System: booster needs with covid vaccine.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/22/21	08:40 AM	Dr. Joe Congeni, Akron Children's Hospital: braces needed for high school football players.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/23/21	06:20 AM	Katie Riley, Akron Marathon: a look at the volunteers at event.	Economy	
09/23/21	07:10 AM	Dan Horrigan, Akron Mayor: fighting violence in Akron and at the University	Political Leadership	
09/23/21	07:20 AM	Donna Skoda, Summit County Health Department: update on booster program.	Gen. Health and Wellness	
09/23/21	07:40 AM	Jeanne Poremski, Master Gardener: transplanting in the fall.	Education	
09/23/21	08:15 AM	Charles Guthrie, University of Akron Athletic Director: on playing OSU this weekend in Columbus.	Education	

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09/24/21	06:40 AM	WAKR High School Game of the Week: Norton at Streetsboro, Norton head coach Kevin Pollack.	Education
09/24/21	07:20 AM	WAKR Student Athlete of the Week Program: honoring students this week from STVM High School.	Education
09/24/21	08:15 AM	Dr. Brian Harte, President of Cleveland Clinic Akron General: update on covid situation.	Gen. Health and Wellness

# **SPECTRUM Local Community/Public Affairs**

Spectrum airs at 6:00 a.m on 1590 WAKR and 6:30 a.m. Sundays on 97.5 WONE. Community Profiles airs at 6:30 a.m. on 1590 WAKR Sundays. Forum 360 airs 6:00 a.m. Sundays on 97.5 WONE and 7:00 a.m. On 1590 WAKR. Center Talks airs at 9:00 a.m. on 1590 WAKR Sundays.

A summary of each weekly program follows:

Date	Title	Speaker/Content	Moderator	Host
July 3-4	Virus, Budget & Infrastucure	Ohio Governor Mike DeWine outlines the state budget he just signed, Infectious disease expert Dr. Thomas File talks about the Delta coronavirus variant, and Akron Mayor Dan Horrigan talks about federal funding for infrastructure	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner
July 10-11	Vaccines, Paying College Athletes & a LeBron Statue	Summit County Public Health Commissioner Donna Skoda talks summarizes the latest information about booster vaccines, new University of Akron Athletic Director Charles Guthrie talks about college players getting marketing money, and Akron Mayor Dan Horrigan talks about the possibility of a LeBron James statue;	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner
July 17-18	College Athletics Budgets	Dr. Matthew Juravich, chair of a special committee, discusses the findings and recommendations of a critical review of University of Akron athletics budgets.	Chris Keppler	Chris Keppler
July 24-25	Delta Variant & UA Sports	Dr. Donald Dumford of Cleveland Clinic breaks down the latest information on the Delta coronavirus variant; Dr. Matt Juravich discusses recommendations from the working group that he chaired on how the University of Akron Athletics Department can be more self-sustaining.	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner & Chris Keppler

July 31- August 1	State Budget	Andy Chow (Statehouse News Bureau), Hannah Halbert (Policy Matters, Ohio) & Greg Lawson (The Buckeye Institute) dissect the new state budget before the City Club of Cleveland	Chris Keppler	Dan Moultrhop (City Club of Cleveland)
August 7-8	Back to Masks, Lack of Supplies	Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine & Ohio Health Department Director Dr. Bruce Vanderhoff explain the importance of facial coverings as the Delta variant surges; Congressman Tim Ryan explains problems with supply chains	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner
August 14- 15	State of the City	Akron Mayor Dan Horrigan recounts accomplishments and sets goals in his annual address to the city	Chris Keppler	James Hardy
August 21- 22	Back to Basics & Vaccines	Ohio Health Department Director Dr. Bruce Vanderhoff offer updates and a "back to basics" discussion of how COVID-19 is spread; Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine, followed by Summit County Health Commissioner Donna Skoda talk about the need for more people to get vaccinated against COVID-19.	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner
August 28- 29	Pfizer & Hand Washing	Summit County Health Commissioner Donna Skoda and Summa Infectious Disease Specialist Dr. Thomas File talk about the full approval of the Pfizer vaccine; Dematologist Dr. Elliott Mostow talks about the importance of hand washing without ruining skin.	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner
September 4-5	"Rights" on Overdrive	Columbia Law Professor Jamal Green discusses people's "obsession" with their rights before the City Club of Cleveland	Chris Keppler	Dan Moultrhop (City Club of Cleveland)
September 11-12	Abortion, Vaccines & Robocalls	Retired University of Akron Law Professor Dean Carro explains implications of Texas's new abortion law, Akron Mayor Dan Horrigan discusses pros and cons of a vaccination mandate for municipal employees & Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost talks about problems associated with "robocalls."	Chris Keppler	Jeanne Destro
September 18-19	School Vax, Biz Vax & More Cash	Ohio Governor Mike DeWine encourages local school officials to consider facial covering protocol; Greater Akron Chamber President & CEO Steve Millard discusses business owners' decisions about mask requirements; Akron City Council member Tara Samples called for higher pay for employees/interns left out of recent pay hike	Chris Keppler	Ray Horner
September 25-26	Masculinity & Violence	University of Akron Professor Emeritus of Psychology Dr. Ronald Levant talks about his recent research regarding masuclinity and violence as part of the Women's Studies Program's Rethinking Gender Series; Women's Studies Director Dr. Mary Triece talks about strides and challenges in equal rights	Chris Keppler	Chris Keppler