

QUARTERLY ISSUES / PROGRAMS LIST – KOMO 4 NEWS

There follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by KOMO-TV, Seattle, Washington, along with the most significant programming treatment for the period April 2022 – June 2022. Among the highlights for AM News: Seattle’s selection as a host city for the 2026 World Cup, the return of the cruise season in Seattle, which brings in millions for the local economy. Seattle’s new mayor outlined his plans to address the homelessness crisis in Seattle and improve public safety. Seattle’s newly elected City Attorney also revealed her plan to clear a backlog of thousands of criminal cases by the end of 2022. We also produced several pieces about suicide prevention for teenagers, including some programs that have been implemented to address issues facing so many teens at school and at home.

Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Date	Time	Duration	Description of Segment
<u>COMMUNITY</u>	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
World Cup Bid		6/18/22	11:00am	1:30	Seattle has been selected as one of 16 cities across the United States, Canada and Mexico to host World Cup Games in 2026. World Cup is considered one of the biggest sporting events on the planet. The success of the Sounders franchise and the recent CONCACAF championship likely helped in the decision. The games will bring a lot of tourists and big bucks to the region.
Park/Beach hours changing		5/23/22	11:00 am	2:00	There’s a big change coming that will impact thousands and thousands of people who use two popular parks. Alki Beach and Golden Gardens will close early for the rest of the Summer. The new closure time will be 10:00pm at night. City leaders want families to be able to enjoy the parks and reduce some of the crime and vandalism that often happens later at night.
EDUCATION	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
Teacher Pay Gap		5/5/22	11:00am	1:30	A new look at teacher salaries shows where teacher pay ranks in Washington state. The average classroom teacher earns \$66,397 nationally. A teacher just starting out earns an average of \$41,770. Here’s how teachers in Washington State compare to the rest of the

					nation. We rank #6 for average teacher salaries, \$13,000 higher than the national average.
Ukraine students		4/12/22	11:00am	2:00	Middle school students in Burien just wrapped up a peer-to-peer conversation with kids of the same age in Iviv Ukraine, where students are living through war. The 7 th and 8 th graders at St. Francis of Assisi spent the day talking and learning about what life is like for students in Ukraine right now. The class also donated a number of boxes and supplies to support families in Ukraine.
ECONOMY	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
Pay for App workers		5/5/2022	11:00m	1:20	Seattle's City council will consider a new ordinance to close the pay gap for App based workers. The proposal is complex and controversial. The sticking point is the cost. The model calls for pay calculation to start the moment the worker accepts the job and end when the job is completed. Uber has told us this proposal will result in fewer opportunities for drivers and increased cost to consumers.
Cruise Season		5/25/22	11:00am	1:30	Cruise season is officially underway as the Norwegian Bliss left Seattle over the weekend for a week-long excursion to Alaska. Businesses downtown and along Seattle's waterfront depend on tourists to help them stay afloat. Tourism dropped drastically during the Pandemic. But with the Norwegian Bliss docked at Pier 66, it starts a much-needed boost to small businesses.
HEALTH	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
World Sickle Cell Day		6/27/22	11:00am	1:30	A Seattle woman hopes sharing her story will increase awareness about Sickle Cell disease. It's an inherited blood disorder that is most

					common among African Americans. Wunmi Bakare was diagnosed at just 18 months old. Bakare says the hallmark of the disease is pain.
Suicide Prevention		5/11/22	6:00 am	1:20	More than half of the parents in the U-S worry about their children's mental well-being. The number of emergency room visits for teens seeking mental health rose 51% during the Pandemic. When a young person needs help and reaches for it, 76% of the time they reach out to a peer. That's why National Foundation for Suicide Prevention has partnered with the Ad council to create a campaign called "Seize the Awkward." The goal is to get kids talking about anything and everything and taking away the stigma often surrounding mental health issues.
CRIME	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
Gas Spike Theft		5/5/22	11:00am	2:00	Rising gas prices seem to be fueling a big spike in gas thefts. According to the Anacortes Police Department, police have investigated more than 24 citywide reports of fuel theft since January compared to just four cases in all of 2021.13 of those thefts were reported in just the past two months. While most newer model cars have caps and locks to prevent thefts, thieves are even drilling into tanks to steal gas.
Seattle Biz training		5/11/22	11:00am	1:30	A group of business owners and workers say the de-escalation training they've been given by Seattle Police isn't cutting it. Some people living and working in the Little Saigon neighborhood requested the training after encounters with homeless campers with drug addition and mental health issues.

GOVERNMENT	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
Praying Coach SCOTUS		6/27/22	11:00am	2:30	The Supreme Court ruled in favor of a former Bremerton High School coach who prayed on the football field. The court says the School District violated Joe Kennedy's First Amendment right to freely express his religion when they suspended him in 2015. Kennedy says he can't stop smiling and hopes to get his old job back soon.
Case backlogs		4/20/22	11:00 am	2:00	Nearly 5,000 criminal cases in Seattle have sat for months with no action taken. But recently elected City Attorney Ann Davison says she has a plan to clear the backlog by the end of the year. Davison says the city will prioritize crimes against people, high utilizers, or repeat offenders and firearm offenses. Davison has hired 9 new assistant prosecutors to help handle the load. Davison also says she expects to decline more than 19-hundred cases involving theft and property destruction.
ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER	KOMO 4 AM NEWS				
Heat Mitigation Strategy		6/28/22	6:00am	1:30	King County leaders want to prepare for heat waves this Summer and save lives. Last year's deadly June heat wave claimed 91 lives statewide. Leaders have now implemented an "Extreme Heat Mitigation Strategy. Highly developed areas can experience an urban heat island effect, where pavement and hard surfaces absorb heat causing temperatures to rise as much as 20 degrees. The new strategy also calls for increased public green space, and more trees.

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<u>COMMUNITY</u>	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Officer Rocha Memorial		4/22/22	5pm	3:00	Gone, but never forgotten. Thousands gathered today for an emotional tribute to fallen Everett Police Officer Dan Rocha. Loved ones, fellow officers and so many in the Everett community came together to honor his life, service and honor his legacy. Rocha was shot and killed in a Starbucks parking lot when he noticed a man moving guns between cars. This marks the 2 nd law enforcement memorial in just two weeks.
M's Opening Day		4/8/22	6pm	1:30	Worth the wait! The Seattle Mariners finally kicked off their 2022 season today and fans couldn't contain their excitement. You could see 'Believe' signs all over the Northwest today.
EDUCATION	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Marysville School Controversy		5/16/22	11:00 pm	2:00	Joining after-school clubs has become a flashpoint with families split over a plan to require parental consent at some schools. The issue arose when teachers started a 'safe space' meeting for LGBTQ+ students and district leaders moved to limit access.

Teacher shortages		6/28/22	5:00	1:30	About one-third of Seattle educators in a new survey say they plan to leave Seattle Public Schools in the next five years as the teachers' union weighs in on the expected staffing shortage and improvements they'd like to see from the district.
ECONOMY	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Tourism dollars		4/8/22	6:00 pm	2:30	Seattle hotels and restaurants are seeing a major boost in business again after nearly two years. The convention season kicked off this week and the first cruise from Seattle sets sail for Alaska in just a few weeks. Local businesses that rely on tourist dollars are thrilled, but there is concern about having enough workers to handle the demand.
Rent prices skyrocket		5/12/22	6:00 pm	1:45	A huge spike in rental prices has forced some people to move, especially from eastside cities like Bellevue. Residents we talked to say their rent has gone up by hundreds of dollars, making it impossible for many to stay in their current homes.
HEALTH	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Air Investigators		5/24/22	6:00pm	3:00	King County's new 'indoor air program' aims to help business owners improve ventilation to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. Air investigators assess buildings, and make recommendations about improvements needed. There are two ventilation types, natural, like doors and windows, and mechanical, like HVAC.
Stop the Bleed Training		6/27/22	6:00pm	2:15	In the wake of mass shootings and other disasters, there's a renewed interest in learning how to stop severe bleeding. But that

					training has been on hold due to the Pandemic. Health care workers aren't able to teach the free classes right now. Many are overworked, in demand and burned out. The classes explain how to stuff wounds and tie a tourniquet.
CRIME	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Crime Report		4/5/22	11:00pm	1:30	New data paints a dire picture for Seattle's public safety. The city's police union compiles a weekly index on crime and staffing levels, and just issued its lowest score to date. The Public Safety Index looks at the number of deployable officers and the rate of violent crime. Seattle is launching a nationwide search for a new police chief. Experts say whoever takes the helm will have enormous challenges to tackle, but the first priority needs to be improving staffing levels and response times.
Hate Crimes rising		4/26/22	5:00 pm	2:00	The number of assaults, vandalism, and harassment targeting Jewish communities are higher than ever, according to a new national audit. Data from the Anti-Defamation league reveals a 34-percent increase in incidents over the previous year. There's a renewed effort to improve reporting and solve cases. King Count is adding investigators to its Bias Crimes unit.
GOVERNMENT	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Mayor's homeless plan		5/31/22	6:00pm	4:00	Seattle Mayor Bruce Harrell revealed his plan to tackle Seattle's homelessness crisis. The plan includes more transparency, like a new interactive dashboard with a map of all

					verified tent and R-V encampments across the city. The mayor's plan also calls for an investment in regional housing solutions across King County and a renewed focus on getting more people into shelter. City leaders hope to have 2,000 units of shelter by the end of the year.
Fired Firefighters		5/13/22	4:00pm	1:30	Some Eastside Firefighters who lost their jobs after refusing to comply with the state's vaccine mandate are now threatening legal action to get their jobs back. They also say public safety is at stake, due to such severe staffing cuts.
ENVIRONMENT/WEATHER	KOMO 4 PM NEWS				
Shellfish Danger		6/8/22	6:00 pm	2:45	It has been almost a year since Western Washington was blanketed by record breaking heat. The triple digit temperatures caused all kind of problems, including the deaths of many shellfish, an important part of the local economy. The extreme hot weather led to many shellfish farmers to think about what future environmental extremes could mean for them and their businesses. It is a vital task being completed in order to protect thousands of jobs and millions of dollars as we head into summer.