

TO: Files
FR: Tom Clendening
RE: Problems/Programs
DT: 4/10/2023

Attached is the list of problems in the community area served by KSER and KXIR and the programs aired by the station during the 1st Quarter of 2023.

The programs were based on the following list of problems identified as important to the community served by KSER:

Covid Pandemic
Public Health
Environment
Crime/Incarceration
Transportation
Growth
Health Care
Needs of the Family
Needs of the Elderly
Education
Affordable Housing
Children and Youth
Diversity in Snohomish County

Covid Pandemic

KSER & KXIR broadcast regular updates from the Snohomish County Health Department and the Washington Department of Health regarding the Covid Pandemic. These announcements included information on halting the spread of the pandemic and other important issues. Each announcement directed listeners to government websites for more information.

EDUCATION

Program Title: The decline of local news and its impact on Democracy Length 59:20

Air Date January 9, 2023
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Producer LWVSC – Karen Crowley, Pam

Program Topic: (brief description of issues/topics discussed) The League of Women Voters of Washington recently completed a 2-year study on “The Decline

of Local News and its Impact on Democracy”. Hear from three local news sources about how this reality is playing out in Snohomish County.

Program guest(s) (give titles, organizations, affiliations relevant to all guests)
Rudi Alcott - Publisher and Vice President of the Daily Herald, Michael Whitney – editor of the Snohomish County Tribune, and Teresa Wippel - publisher of three digital community news properties under the My Neighborhood News Network umbrella: My Edmonds News.com MLTnews.com and LynnwoodToday.com.

ENVIRONMENT

Program Title: Advocacy-Working to create change in fresh ways Length 59:22

Air Date February 13, 2023

Producer LWVSC – Karen Crowley

Program Topic: (brief description of issues/topics discussed) The League of Women Voters of The 2023 Legislative Session is in full swing and there are many innovative bills being proposed. We discuss the WRAP act, an attempt to address the growing stream of plastics overwhelming our waste stream. And we talk with two local artists staging an exhibition that uses Art to inspire climate action.

Program guest(s) (give titles, organizations, affiliations relevant to all guests)
Part 1: Heather Trim – Executive Director of Zero Waste Washington, and Ann Murphy – Solid Waste Management Issue Chair for the League of Women Voters
Part 2: Jillian Ballas and Aleksandar ‘Sasha’ Babic, Event organizers for ACT/Inspired, 2-8pm on Feb. 25 at the Snohomish Carnegie

EDUCATION/DIVERSITY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Program Title: Democracy in Action – Yes you can! Length 59:46

Air Date March 13, 2023

Producer LWVSC – Karen Crowley

Program Topic: (brief description of issues/topics discussed)
Part 1: We talk with three local elected officials about running for, and holding, elected office.
Part 2: Meet the winners of our League’s 2023 Democracy in Action Award- the Sultan High School Broadcast Club.

Program guest(s) (give titles, organizations, affiliations relevant to all guests)
Part 1: Jan Schuette, Arlington City Council member; Monroe Mayor Geoffrey Thomas; and Edmonds School Board Director Keith Smith
Part 2: Dave Moon, Technical Director and students Brandi Forseth, Alec Howe and Draven Teel

DIVERSITY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Program Title _Color Commentary_____ Length _5:00
minutes__

Air Date __01/06/2023_____ Producer Communities of Color
Coalition (C3)

Program Topic (brief description of issues/topics discussed)

This is an updated report on civic engagement and democracy ... with a PSA on local 2023 MLK events.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Program Title _Color Commentary_____ Length _5:00
minutes__

Air Date __01/13/2023_____ Producer Communities of Color
Coalition (C3)

Program Topic (brief description of issues/topics discussed)

This is an updated report on wealth inequality ... with a PSA on local 2023 MLK events.

DIVERSITY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Program Title _Color Commentary_____ Length _29:00
minutes__

Air Date __01/16/2023_____ Producer Communities of Color
Coalition

Program Topic (brief description of issues/topics discussed)

On Friday, January 13th, the Snohomish County Black Heritage Committee, in collaboration with the City of Everett and numerous other sponsors, restarted what was for years an Everett tradition – the annual Martin Luther King March and Rally honoring the nation's foremost civil rights activist who was assassinated in 1968. This program is a compilation of participant comments on why the event was important and why they personally participated, as well as selected speeches by community officials..

DIVERSITY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Program Title _Color Commentary_____ Length _5:00
minutes__

Air Date __01/20/2023_____ Producer Communities of Color
Coalition (C3)

Program Topic (brief description of issues/topics discussed)

The First Presbyterian Church in downtown Everett hosted the 39th annual community celebration of Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr's life and legacy on 1/15/2023. Organized by the Snohomish County Black Heritage Committee, the event featured a tribute ceremony for youth who participated in the "Prodigies for Peace" art and essays contest, as well as the Martin Luther King Jr Celebration Choir and several speakers. This program features excerpts from the comments by Dr. Janice Greene, President of the Snohomish County chapter of NAACP.

NEEDS OF THE FAMILY

Program Title _Color Commentary_____ Length _5:00
minutes__

Air Date _01/27/2023_____ Producer Communities of Color
Coalition (C3)

Program Topic (brief description of issues/topics discussed)

This program features excerpts from the comments by Josh Binda, Lynnwood City Council Member, one of several speakers at the 39th annual community celebration of Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King Jr's life and legacy on 1/15/2023. The event was organized by the Snohomish County Black Heritage Committee and hosted by the First Presbyterian Church in downtown Everett.

DIVERSITY IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Program Topic (brief description of issues/topics discussed)

This program is a report on immigrants & refugees in Snohomish County.

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NEEDS OF THE FAMILY

Program Title: Community Life Length: 30 minutes

Air Date: March 26, 2023 Producer SnoCo Bahá'í community/Mary Ellen Wood

Program Topic: Project Girl

A Lynnwood based organization focused on girls and women of color, offering multiple programs that address these unique needs.

Program guest(s)Contact data: Olympia Edwards, founder and CEO of Project Girl.

CRIME INCARCERATION

AMERICA'S DISAPPEARED

Host: Gary Idleberg

JANUARY 2, 2023 6:30pm

Brian Stevenson Interview. Brian Stevenson is the Executive Director and Founder of the Equal Justice Initiative, a non-profit organization in Montgomery, AL. He's also a professor at the New York University School of Law. Brian was interviewed by David Barsamian on the program Alternative Radio. The subjects they cover in their conversation include mass incarceration, inequality in the American criminal justice system, both racial and economic, reparations, and the death penalty.

30:31 minutes