

# KCCU QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

## January 1 – March 31, 2023

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### Bekah Fountain

News Director, January 12<sup>th</sup> 2023

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**NPR's *Morning Edition* airs live on KCCU Monday through Friday from 5 - 9 a.m.**

Date - Time Cumulative Length (in minutes)

01/03/23 05 & 07:22 07:46

HUMAN RIGHTS - New York City Mayor Eric Adams has a plan to address the increasing numbers of unhoused people in the city. It includes involuntary hospitalization of people deemed to be in "psychiatric crisis." **7:46**

01/05/23 05 & 07:22 17:14

HEALTH - NPR's Steve Inskeep speaks with pediatrician Afif El-Hasan about a rise in strep A cases in children, age 5 to 15, and what symptoms look like. **4:18**

01/06/22 05 & 07:22 21:32

POLITICS - The Jan. 6 House Select Committee spent 18 months looking at the events and actors that helped fuel the violence that day. That includes a number of extremist groups. 6:24

01/11/23 05 & 07:22 27:56

NPR's Politics Podcast team discusses the Democratic Party's plan to reshuffle its presidential primary calendar. Enacting the plan is easier said than done. 7:10

01/12/23 05 & 07:22 35:60

New York Republicans demanded Rep. George Santos give up his congressional seat because they say they can't trust him. NPR's A Martinez talks to Bruce Blakeman, county executive for Nassau County. 5:11

01/13/23 05 & 08:22 41:11

MENTAL HEALTH - Author and therapist Natalie Gutierrez speaks with NPR's Dwane Brown about how the national 988 hotline can help marginalized communities with mental health issues. 4:05

**Cumulative *Morning Edition* Feature time this page: 41:11**

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02/01/23      05 & 7:22                      45:16

BLACK HISOTY - The white and Black descendants of Carter G. Woodson, the father of Black History and founder of Black History Month, come together to heal their past. **7:34**

02/03/23      05 & 07:22                      52:20

NPR's A Martinez talks to Dr. Pamela Cantor, founder of Turnaround for Children, about a Pew report that finds U.S. parents' biggest concern is the mental health of their children. **7:02**

02/07/23      0 & 08:39                      59:22

UKRAINE - Ukrainian soldiers benefit from U.S. prosthetics expertise but their war is different. **5:47**

02/08/23      05 & 07:22                      65:15

CHINA - Hong Kong's pro-democracy leaders who took part in a primary election go on trial. **7:03**

02/09/23      05 & 07:22                      72:30

UKRAINE - As the war in Ukraine approaches the end of its first year, NATO allies face a challenge to keep the Ukrainian army supplied with weapons and ammunition — as their own stocks dwindle. **6:21**

02/10/23      07                                      78:51

NPR's A Martinez speaks with Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, the administrator for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, about the future of both programs. **04:52**

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03/06/23      06 & 08:22                      83:72

MENTAL HEALTH - TikTok to limit the time teens can be on the app. Will safeguards help protect them?

**6:17**

03/07/23      06 & 08:22                      90:50

SCIENCE - Victoria Gray's life has been transformed by her treatment for sickle cell disease with the gene-editing technique called CRISPR. She's in London telling her story at a scientific summit. **6:54**

03/08/23      05 & 08:22                      97:73

As state-run police expand into Jackson, some welcome the help. Others see racism. 6:48

03/09/23      05 & 07:22                      105:00

COVID - NPR's A Martinez talks to virologist Angela Rasmussen, who is pushing back on the Energy Department assessment, described as low confidence that COVID-19 leaked from a lab in China. 4:02

03/10/23      05 & 07:22                      109:02

NPR's Steve Inskeep talks to former U.S. trade official and columnist David Rothkopf, about whether there a bipartisan consensus in Congress that the U.S. must be tough on China? 5:06

03/10/23      05 & 07:22                      114:08

Months after arriving in New York by bus, migrants without work permits struggle to carve out new lives as they wait for their asylum cases to be heard.

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**NPR's *Weekend Edition* is aired on KCCU Saturday & Sunday from 7 - 9 a.m.**

Date - Time Cumulative Length (in minutes)

01/08/22 08:00 (EST) 6:15

UKRAINE/RUSSIA NPR's Ayesha Rascoe talks to Georgetown professor Charles Kupchan about why negotiating an end to the war between Russia and Ukraine should be a priority, for those countries as well as their allies. 6:15

01/14/23 07:58 (EST) 12:21

HEALTH - A backlash against comprehensive approaches to sex education is taking root across the U.S. In Appalachia, a group of sex educators is suspending public events for now after members were threatened. **6:06**

01/14/23 07:58 (EST) 16:00

POLITICS - Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen wants Congress to raise the federal debt limit fast to avoid a default. House Republicans say they'll use the negotiations to win concessions on government spending. 03:43

01/21/23 07:39 (EST) 21:53

POLITICS— NPR's Scott Simon speaks with Krish O'Mara Vignarajah, president of Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services, about the pros and cons of the Biden administration's new refugee resettlement program. 05:53

01/15/23 08:02 (EST) 27:12

Transgender and non-binary people are up to six times more likely to also have autism. This intersection has researchers trying to understand the connection and how society views these identities. 5:14

01/29/23 07:55 (EST) 33:46

Latin America's migration crisis is one of the most pressing and complex issues facing President Biden - we look at what his administration's new rules mean on both sides of the southern border. 6:34

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02/15/23      08:01 (EST)                      40:20

TURKEY - Among the rescue teams dispatched to southern Turkey after last week's earthquake is a U.S. mission using sniffer dogs. Their work is turning toward respecting local customs as they recover the dead. **06:16**

02/19/23      08:00 (EST)                      47:15

RUISSA - From a swift Russian victory to fragmentation of the West, most of the big fears and predictions about the war in Ukraine proved wrong. **6:55**

02/19/22      07:58 (EST)                      53:54

NPR's Ayesha Rascoe asks TikTok content creators Rosie Grant and Oliver James about calls by lawmakers to ban the app amid concerns the Chinese government could access user data. **6:39**

03/18/23      08:00 (EST)                      60:00

ECONOMY - NPR's Scott Simon speaks with Wally Adeyemo, U.S. Deputy Treasury Secretary, about a week of instability for some banks and what this might mean for the economy as a whole. **6:10**

03/25/23      08:00 (EST)                      66:67

WORLD— NPR's Scott Simon speaks with drag star Eureka O'Hara about a new law in Tennessee that prohibits drag performances on public property. **6:07**

03/25/23      07:49 (EST)                      73:28

UKRAINE— The IMF's new loan to Ukraine will be its first to a country at war. NPR's Scott Simon speaks with Scheherazade Rehman, professor at George Washington University, about the agreement's significance. **6:10**

**Total Cumulative *Weekend Edition* Feature time: (January 1 – March 31, 2023) 73:28**

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**PRI's *The Takeaway* is aired on KCCU Monday - Thursday from 1 - 2 p.m.**

Date	Time	Cumulative Length (in minutes)
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01/05/22	13:07	13:46
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POLITICS—As of Thursday morning, there is still no speaker of the House. This is the third day of the House of Representatives' new two-year session, and so far, it is in a state of limbo. House Republican leader Kevin McCarthy of California failed to secure his bid for House speaker on six separate ballots, which prevents House members from being sworn in or working on any legislative business. **13:46**

01/06/23	13:07	27:48
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POLITICS—It's been two years since the January 6th, 2021 attack on the U.S. Capitol by supporters of former president Trump who were attempting to stop the election certification process of Joe Biden's presidency. Since then, over 900 participants in the mob have been charged with various crimes for their actions that day. The majority have received months of jail time or probation, though a number have caught more severe charges and sentences for offenses such as attacking police officers, obstructing Congress, and seditious conspiracy. **14:02**

01/07/23	13:07	41:50
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HEALTH—The CDC reports “25-percent of U-S adults” serve as caregivers to those who need support and assistance. Caregivers need support, too. Without a network of support, they face burnout and high levels of stress. We talk with Karen Warner Schueler, author of *The Sudden Caregiver* about what it means to be a caregiver, and how those who support others can find the support they need for themselves. **13:17**

01/19/23	13:21	51:24
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MENTAL HEALTH - The new federally mandated mental health assistance and suicide prevention hotline, 9-8-8, launched in July. Questions remain whether state and local authorities have the infrastructure to provide services for this great demand. Dan Gorenstein, executive producer and host of the podcast *Tradeoffs*, provides updates on how things are going with 9-8-8 thus far. **9:34**

01/24/23	13:07	65:37
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**ABORTION**—The North Carolina General Assembly convened last week for the start of its new legislative session. Republicans sit on the cusp of a supermajority that would give them the power to override any veto handed down from the Democratic Governor Roy Cooper. And they've got their eyes set on abortion. Some of that support could come from the Democratic side of the house. 14:13

02/01/23      13:07      86:41

**SOCIAL JUSTICE** —On January 7, Memphis Police officers pepper sprayed and brutally beat photographer and avid skateboarder Tyre Nichols. Nichols complained of shortness of breath, and waited 22 minutes before an ambulance arrived to transport him – in critical condition – to a local hospital. He died on January 10. 21:04

02/02/23      13:07      98:00

**HEALTH**—Last week, Scotland became the first country in the world to make tampons, pads and other period products free to the public. The legislation was initially approved by lawmakers in 2020. Scottish leaders are using this initiative to combat period poverty, or the lack of access to period products because of the high cost, something we have plenty of in the United States, especially among young people. 10:57

02/14/23      13:40      107:10

**FENTANYL**—The rate of drug overdoses continues to rise in the U.S., in part due to the increasing presence of fentanyl in street drugs like heroin and cocaine. But there's a new supply stream of contaminated drugs: certain pharmacies in northwestern Mexican cities that specifically cater to American tourists looking for prescription drugs. 9:10

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03/01/23      13:07      121:26

STUDENT LOANS—On Tuesday, the Supreme Court heard two arguments over whether President Biden has the authority to forgive millions of dollars in federal student loan debt.

These legal challenges come after Biden announced a plan last year that would forgive up to \$20,000 in debt for some borrowers. This could affect an estimated 40 million borrowers across the country, and wipe out more than 400 billion in federal student debt. 14:16

03/06/23      13:07      138:41

POLITICAL—At the beginning of the 20th century, Black people owned more than 16 million acres of farmland across the United States. Now, more than 90% of that land has been lost.

This land loss is, in part, due to the USDA's systemic racial discrimination of Black farmers. While advocates have struggled to preserve the tradition of Black farming across the United States through a concerted movement of both legal and policy measures, Black farmers have not seen real relief. And Black ownership of farmland continues to dwindle. 17:15

03/13/23      13:07      159:48

ENVIRONMENTAL—Congress has not passed meaningful immigration reform in more than two decades. So when President Joe Biden took office in 2021, he promised to craft immigration policies far more humane than those of his predecessor and to “reassert America’s commitment to asylum-seekers and refugees.” But the realities of immigration during the Biden years have been far more mixed. In recent months, the administration put in place more restrictions on who and how people can claim asylum in the U.S. at the U.S./Mexico border. These rules are some of the administration's harshest asylum policies yet. 21:07

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**PRI's *The World* airs on KCCU Monday through Thursday from 2 – 3pm.**

Date - Time Cumulative Length (in minutes)

01/05/23 15:35 05:35

UKRAINE - War in Ukraine sparks fertilizer crisis that may impact the future of global food production.

**5:35**

01/05/23 16:14 11:30

HEALTH - Desperate pet owners turn to illegal drug markets to cure a rare cat. **5:28**

01/10/23 15:15 17:28

CHINA - Biden seeks allies on migration crisis at US-Mexico border. **5:58**

01/12/23 14:45 23:40

EDUCATION - How changing national diets could help fix our global food crisis. **6:12**

01/16/23 16:30 31:36

UKRAINE - Tanks for Ukraine are 'ready to go' when Germany and US strike a deal, retired Navy Adm. Says. **7:56**

02/02/23 17:00 37:30

UKRAINE - Belgium faces pressure to support sanctions on Russian diamonds. **5:54**

02/13/23 14:15 46:20

CHINA - China's tech weapons roll in to quell demonstrations, identify protesters. **8:32**

02/21/23 16:15 54:44

UKRAINE - Living, fighting, losing, winning: A Ukrainian soldier reflects on a year of war. **08:24**

02/28/23 15:30 59:37

AFGHANISTAN - He spoke out against banning girls' education. The Taliban silenced him. **04:53**

**Cumulative *The World* Feature time: 59:37**

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02/28/23      16:45      63:58

'Kneel and apologize!': 76 years after island-wide massacre, Taiwan continues to commemorate — and debate — the tragedy. **4:21**

03/07/23      14:15      69:53

COVID - Three years into the pandemic, mask usage varies from country to country. **5:34**

03/09/23      16:15      76:30

UKRAINE - Athletes in Ukraine strive for Olympic gold

As Ukrainian athletes train for the Summer Olympics next year in Paris, it is unclear whether or not Russian athletes will be allowed to compete in the Games. **6:25**

03/16/22      12:15      87:57

'Red alert for child health': A nationwide vaccine shortage hits Ghana amid measles outbreak. **5:27**

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**NPR's *All Things Considered* airs Monday through Friday from 4 - 7 p.m. It is aired on Saturday from 4 - 6p.m. and on Sunday from 5 – 7p.m.**

Date - Time Cumulative Length (in minutes)

01/17/23 17:02 6:26

COVID - The pandemic distorted our sense of time. For some, time stood still. For others, it sped up. The difference depended on factors from culture to emotional state. **6:26**

01/12/23 16:39 13:34

UKRAINE - Condoleezza Rice calls for 'urgency' in sending weapons and money to Ukraine **7:08**

01/18/23 16:50 20:62

COVID - NPR's Ari Shapiro speaks with Dr. David Kessler, the outgoing chief scientist for President Biden's coronavirus vaccine program, as he steps away from his position. **7:28**

01/25/23 16:35 27:16

UKRAINE - For months, Ukraine has been demanding, and was denied, state-of-the-art Western tanks. The U.S. and Germany — considered to have the best tanks in the world — promised today to send them. **6:54**

02/09/23 17:26 35:30

FOREIGN RELATIONS - NPR's Mary Louise Kelly talks with Iran's foreign minister about free expression, Americans being held prisoner in his country and the future of the Iran nuclear deal. **8:14**

02/16/23 16:48 43:37

OHIO DETRAILMENT - NPR's Ailsa Chang talks with Stan Meiburg, the former acting deputy administrator for the Environmental Protection Agency, about the train derailment that led to a toxic spill in East Palestine, Ohio. **8:07**

**Cumulative *All Things Considered* Feature time: 27:16**

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02/17/23      16:31      50:29

A far right group in Jacksonville has been regularly projecting hate symbols onto downtown buildings. Extremism experts fear Florida's political climate that will only further embolden the far right. **6:52**

03/16/23      16:33      57:37

FENTANYL - Communities around the US are rushing to spend billions in opioid settlement money paid out by Big Pharma. The Cherokee Nation is investing \$100 million in treatment, harm reduction and a fight against stigma. **07:18**

03/27/22      17:32      64:59

Eight California counties are creating "Care Courts" for people with untreated severe mental illness. A judge may order treatment that counties must fund. Civil liberties groups have sued to stop it. **7:22**

03/27/23      17:00      71:53

UKRAINE - Foreign volunteers race to train new Ukrainian troops to be sent to the front. **6:33**

**Cumulative *All Things Considered* Feature time: 57:37**

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*State Impact Oklahoma* is produced by a consortium of public media outlets in Oklahoma: KGOU, KOSU, KWGS & KCCU. Together these four stations comprise the *Oklahoma Public Media Exchange*. The exchange secures funding to produce the *StateImpact Oklahoma* reports. *StateImpact* stories are aired at 4:44 & 5:44 p.m. on Thursdays and at 6:45:35 & 7:45:35 a.m. on Fridays on KCCU.

### STATEIMPACT OKLAHOMA SUMMARIES:

Date - Time Cumulative Length (in minutes)

01/05/23 16:44 4:17

NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS - The landmark *McGirt vs. Oklahoma* decision at the U.S. Supreme Court in 2020 was a big win for tribal sovereignty that gave tribal nations jurisdiction over many crimes committed in their territory and by their citizens. *StateImpact's* Logan Layden talked with Indigenous Affairs reporter Allison Herrera about one case that highlights the complications involved. **4:17**

01/12/23 16:44 08:43

EDUCATION - As the state's teacher shortage persists, so do conversations about lowering qualification barriers to become an educator. *StateImpact's* Beth Wallis asks the question, what do students lose when traditional certification becomes a luxury this teacher-strapped state can't afford? **4:26**

01/19/23 16:44 12:52

HEALTH - Decades after Oklahoma officials cracked down on methamphetamine production in the state, the drug continues to kill more people here than any other. *StateImpact's* Catherine Sweeney reports a Tulsa collaboration lends some insight into ending the epidemic. **4:09**

01/26/23 16:44 17:09

As more news emerges about at least \$22 million of embezzlement schemes at EPIC Charter Schools, it might be difficult to keep up with the saga. That's why *StateImpact's* Beth Wallis asked Oklahoman newspaper reporter Nuria [NER-ee-uh] Martinez-Keel to get us up-to-speed on the last decade of EPIC's scandals. **4:17**

**Cumulative *StateImpact* Feature time this page: 17:09**

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02/02/23      16:44      21:31

Oklahoma's Medicaid program, SoonerCare, is on its way to profound change. StateImpact's Catherine Sweeney talked with its director, Secretary of Health Kevin Corbett, this week about the transition to managed care. **4:22**

02/09/23      16:44      25:42

HEALTH & EDUCATION - Oklahoma Senate Republicans unveiled their plan to attract and keep teachers, and Senate Bill 364 is getting a lot of attention — it would mandate 12 weeks of paid maternity leave for full-time school employees. Teacher moms around the state shared their stories with StateImpact's Beth Wallis. **4:11**

02/16/23      16:44      29:58

GOVERNMENT - Grocery prices are high right now, but they're about to get even higher for more than half a million Oklahomans. StateImpact's Catherine Sweeney reports. **04:16**

02/23/23      16:44      34:16

EDUCATION - Oklahoma's new Attorney General Gentner Drummond recently announced he's changing course on a high-profile case involving Secretary of Education Ryan Walters and lots of federal money. StateImpact's Beth Wallis reports. **4:18**

03/02/23      16:44      38:33

HEALTH Voters are just days away from deciding whether or not Oklahoma will legalize recreational marijuana. What will happen is anyone's guess: neighboring Arkansas rejected a ballot initiative last November, while, Missouri passed its version. Xcaret Nuñez reports... **4:17**

03/09/23      16:44      42:43

HEALTH - Biomarker testing technology has evolved over decades and is now vital to properly plan the treatment of several forms of cancer. But there's a problem in Oklahoma: insurance coverage. StateImpact's Catherine Sweeney reports that could soon be changing. **4:10**

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03/23/23      16:44      46:32

HEALTH - One of the bills out of the legislature this session that aims to ban gender-affirming care for **Oklahomans** under 18 would have major impacts on adults too. StateImpact’s Catherine Sweeney reports among other things, the bill would force all trans **Oklahomans** seeking this care to pay for it out of pocket. **3:49**

03/30/23      16:44      50:43

HEALTH - Oklahoma offers pregnant residents special Medicaid coverage. That coverage used to last only 60 days after delivery, but under a new policy, that coverage will run for a full year instead. StateImpact’s Logan Layden and Catherine Sweeney discuss how the policy will affect thousands of new parents in Oklahoma. **4:11**

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