

**KYRS Quarterly Report: 1st Quarter of 2018, January 1- March 31st, 2018**  
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**KYRS has identified the following as significant issues in our community for the quarter:**

- A. Diversity in Politics and Government
- B. Local politics
- C. Environmental science and policy
- D. Health and Science
- E. Local Arts and Culture

**KYRS programs addressing these issues are described below:**

*Issue:* Diversity in Politics and Government

*Program addressing the issue:* Democracy Now!

*Date:* 01-18-2018

*Broadcast time:* Monday- Friday 8AM and 5PM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue:* “Congress is lurching toward a government shutdown as Republicans failed to reach agreement on a bill that would keep federal agencies funded past a Friday deadline. Much of the debate centered around the fate of 700,000 so-called DREAMers—immigrants who were brought to the U.S. as children. Many Democrats have said they won’t vote for a spending bill unless it includes protections for DREAMers, while Republican leaders have instead focused on a short-term bill that would keep the government open for one month.”

*Issue:* Diversity in Politics and Government

*Program addressing the issue:* Democracy Now!

*Date:* 01-22-18

*Broadcast time:* Monday-Friday 8AM and 5PM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* “Hundreds of thousands of women took to the streets across the country on Saturday to mark the first anniversary of last year’s historic Women’s March protesting President Trump’s inauguration. In New York City, 200,000 people took to the streets. Among them was Desiree Jordan, who was protesting violence against queer women of color.”

*Issue:* Diversity in Politics and Government

*Program addressing the issue:* Democracy Now!

*Date:* 2-28-18

*Broadcast time:* Monday-Friday 8AM and 5PM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* While “Black Panther” has broken box office records, it has also generated an intense debate. We host a roundtable with three guests: Christopher Lebron, a professor at Johns Hopkins University who recently wrote “Black Panther Is Not the Film We Deserve”; Robyn C. Spencer, a professor at Lehman College, who wrote “Black Feminist Meditations on the Women of Wakanda”; and Carvell Wallace, author of The New York Times Magazine story “Why Black Panther Is a Defining Moment for Black America.”

*Issue:* Diversity in Politics and Government

*Program addressing the issue:* The Michael Slate Show

*Date:* 3-22-18

*Broadcast time:* Thursday 9AM

*Duration:* 55 Mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Host, Michael Slate speaks with author Miko Peled about politics between Israel and Palestine and specific struggles and human rights issues.

*Issue:* Diversity in Politics and Government

*Program addressing the issue:* Economic Update

*Date:* 3-25-18

*Broadcast time:* Saturday 9AM-10AM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Updates on globalization and inequality from, 1980-2016, workers strike YMCA, UK universities and Oklahoma schools, Quebec doctors reject pay increases, US warns Africa about China, huge Japanese coop movement. Interview Tim Faust on medical care and insurance in US today.

*Issue:* Local Politics and Community Issues

*Program addressing the issue:* SOS Spokane

*Date:* 1-18-18

*Broadcast time:* Thursday 1PM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Host Interviewed **Sandra Williams**, editor and publisher of **The Black Lens** Spokane's monthly newspaper focusing on news, history, issues, analysis, the arts, and opinion from Black perspectives. The discussion focused on local and national issues—including systemic, government mandated and institutional racism, economic fairness, media portrayals, housing discrimination, educational opportunity, our criminal justice system, and what's currently being or not being done to address myriad historic inequities.

*Issue:* Local Politics and Community Issues

*Program addressing the issue:* KYRS Local News

*Date:* 2-22-18

*Broadcast time:* Thurs and Friday 4PM

*Duration:* 15 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* A recap of the 5th congressional candidate town hall meeting where Lisa Brown addressed issues from audience members and speakers on women's rights, gun control, jobs and climate change, Housing and Urban Development, minority issues, and police brutality. We also featured stories in environmental news, Tribal news and an update in immigration news by the Washington News Service.

*Issue:* Local Politics and Community Issues

*Program addressing the issue:* KYRS Local News

*Date:* 2-15-18

*Broadcast time:* Thurs and Friday 4PM

*Duration:* 15 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* The team discussed a controversial move in Idaho's Education system to remove evidence for the human impact on Climate change from their school curriculum. The team also highlighted 500 year old remains found in the Northwest that are being claimed by 5 different area tribes. In other stories, the budget for Hanford Nuclear Plant's clean up will be cut, February is declared Black History month by Spokane Mayor David Condon, and a town hall meeting was held this week that centered on the *Time's Up Movement* to encourage equal pay and address sexual assault.

*Issue:* Local Politics and Community Issues

*Program addressing the issue:* F Yes!

*Date:* 3-18-18

*Broadcast time:* Sunday 1PM

*Duration:* 55 Mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Hosts interview, Madeline Murphy, a local high school activist who helped organize the 3-14-18 high school walkout. We discussed why gun violence is an important topic to address and the myriad of ways that teens are making their voices heard.

*Issue:* Local Politics and Community Issues

*Program addressing the issue:* KYRS Local News

*Date:* 3-15-18

*Broadcast time:* Thurs and Friday 4PM

*Duration:* 25 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Interview of Jessa Lewis, Democratic Candidate for the Washington State Senate's 6th district which includes The Spokane county area, Medical Lake, Cheney and Airway Heights. We discuss Single payer healthcare, Democrats that are also gun owners and the me too movement. Plus, new rules for Marijuana packaging, student walkouts in Spokane and across the state, and Governor Jay INSlee's executive order to boost funding for Orca conservation in Puget Sound. The News team also talked about student walkouts this week in protest of current the gun control laws, recent allegations of domestic violence against former president of the NAACP in Spokane, Phil Tyler, and a new grant from Premera health insurance company to provide more beds for women experiencing homelessness in Spokane.

*Issue:* Environmental Science and Policy

*Program addressing the issue:* Radio Ecoshock

*Date:* 01-25-18

*Broadcast time:* Thursday 6AM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* "How will human reaction to a climate shift feedback into a new future? Hot new science from Dr. Brian Beckage, University of Vermont, and psychologist Katherine Lacasse, Rhode Island College. Plus mental health impacts of knowing about a dysfunctional future, with Dr. Sabrina Helm, University of Arizona..."

*Issue:* Environmental Science and Policy

*Program addressing the issue:* SOS Spokane

*Date:* 2-15-18

*Broadcast time:* Thursday 1PM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:*

**Sam Mace**, Inland North Director of *Save Our Wild Salmon*, a national coalition of organizations devoted to wild salmon discussed issues critical to the survival and renewal of wild salmon in the Pacific Northwest. Topics included how removal of four dams along the Lower Snake River would greatly benefit not just wild salmon, and other animals, plants, soils, the air, and even insect life. The host and guests also discussed Tribal treaty rights and the central role salmon play in Northwest Indian culture and diet.

*Issue:* Environmental Science and Policy

*Program addressing the issue:* Earth Matters Now!

*Date:* 02-06-18

*Broadcast time:* 12PM Tuesday

*Duration:* 30 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Local hosts reported on the Council of Environmental Quality and withdrawal of the nominee to run that department, the five most common items found in river clean-ups, a new theory about a meteor disaster on earth about 12,800

*Issue:* Environmental Science and Policy

*Program addressing the issue:* Radio EcoShock

*Date:* 3-15-18

*Broadcast time:* Thursday 6AM

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* “ Is the dream of a civilization powered by the wind, sun, and water just that – a dream that cannot become a reality? Our guest Ken Caldeira argues that solar and wind power can take us a long way, but not all the way. That scientific argument has spilled out of the journals and into social media, blogs, and the law courts.”

*Issue:* Environmental Science and Policy

*Program addressing the issue:* Earth Matters Now!

*Date:* 3-27-18

*Broadcast time:* 12PM Tuesday

*Duration:* 30 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Local hosts interviewed Phyllis Kardos of Responsible Growth NW, regarding the proposed silicon smelter near Newport, Washington. We discussed health issues, opposition, rural values, etc.

*Issue:* Health and Science

*Program addressing the issue:* Medical Discovery News

*Date:* 01-19-18

*Broadcast time:* 3:55PM Thursdays

*Duration:* 2 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Two minute report on new study that finds your zip-code in America can determine your life expectancy.

*Issue:* Health and Science

*Program addressing the issue:* Sounds of Science

*Date:* 2-25-18

*Broadcast time:* 4PM Saturday

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Local hosts discussed an amateur astronomer taking a picture of a super nova, Neanderthal cave artists, increasing pH levels in the ocean, neuron function in adult humans, deregulation on activities on Mars, battery recycling, and overfishing.

*Issue:* Health and Science

*Program addressing the issue:* Exploration

*Date:* 02-07-18

*Broadcast time:* 6AM Wed

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* “Dr. Seth Shostak, on life in space; and Dr. Seth Lloyd, on quantum computer. Hosted by Dr. Michio Kaku.”

*Issue:* Health and Science

*Program addressing the issue:* The Sound of Science

*Date:* 3-18-18

*Broadcast time:* 4:00PM, Sunday

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Today, in memory of Stephen Hawking, local hosts spoke of Hawking’s background and his achievements and impact.

*Issue:* Science and Health

*Program addressing the issue:* Medical Discovery News

*Date:* 3-30-18

*Broadcast time:* 3:55PM Thursday

*Duration:* 2 Mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* A two minute report on the problem of drug resistant, disease causing bacteria and current methods to combat the issue.

*Issue:* Local Art and Culture

*Program addressing the issue:* Art Hour

*Date:* 02-01-18

*Broadcast time:* 3PM Thursday

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Interview with founders of local organization, *Terrain* which for it’s 10 year anniversary. The nonprofit organization has significantly changed the art culture of Spokane through artist events and mentorship, public installations an approach to community art.

*Issue:* Local Arts and Culture

*Program addressing the issue:* Art Hour

*Date:* 03-22-18

*Broadcast time:* 3PM Thursday

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Interview with Megan Perkins who has launched a project “Artist’s Eye on Spokane,” featuring Spokane landmarks, that has gained local media attention.

*Issue:* Local Arts and Culture

*Program addressing the issue:* Spokane Open Poetry Program

*Date:* 1-27-18

*Broadcast time:* 11AM Saturday

*Duration:* 28mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Local poet, Beth Cooly, reads her work and is interviewed by host

*Issue:* Local Arts and Culture

*Program addressing the issue:* So There I Was

*Date:* 2-16-18

*Broadcast time:* 1:00PM Friday

*Duration:* 55mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* The host Neil held an interview with regional author, Mark Ready about his first novel, *Hedwig and Battle for Human Destiny*.

*Issue:* Local Arts and Culture

*Program addressing the issue:* Art Hour

*Date:* 3-29-18

*Broadcast time:* 3PM Thursday

*Duration:* 55 mins

*Narrative of issue and how programs addressed the issue:* Hosts interviewed Executive Director for Jacklin Arts and Cultural Center. She is a Post Falls resident passionate about making the arts exciting and accessible to her community. Myesha Callahan Freet also joined us. She is a mixed media artist who displayed some work at Jacklin Arts.