

KSTW-TV
Tacoma, Washington

QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT

4th Quarter 2023:

Quarterly Issues and Programs Report

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of community issues during the 4th quarter of 2023.

Regularly Scheduled Programs

During the reported quarter, the station broadcast the following regularly scheduled program that routinely address issues of importance to the station's community:

- The Impact - Hosted by Mike McClanahan, this show explores the issues, people, and events impacting the citizens of Washington State by highlighting the goings-on at the State's capital in Olympia, WA. Airl Sundays at 11:00 -11:30AM.
- Investigate TV – This show provides innovative, original journalism from a dedicated investigative team and partners. Airl Sundays at 12 -12:30AM.

Public Service Announcements – The station airs PSAs in rotation from various organizations that include topics such as cancer, mental health, bullying prevention, Covid Vaccinations, STEM, substance abuse, fire prevention, gun safety, child welfare, animal welfare, dementia, high blood pressure, and autism.

Program Specials

- Celebrating Hispanic Heritage – In this special, CBS honors and celebrates Hispanic heritage, Latin community and culture. Aired Sunday, October 15, 2023, at 2 – 3PM.
- On the Dot with David Schechter: Warming Signs – In this special, watch and be transported to the world's northernmost and fastest warming community of Svalbard, Norway. By meeting the people who live there, and seeing what scientists are learning there, you will better understand the changes happening where we live: as the Arctic warms, it adds to rising sea levels along our U.S. coasts and instability in the atmosphere that contributes to our extreme weather events. Aired Sunday, December 10, 2023, at 5 – 6PM.

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Community of License: TACOMA, WA

Issue: MENTAL HEALTH- Examining issues related to mental health, and well-being of importance to local viewers.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Mental health awareness.

Issue: FOOD INSECURITY & THE UNHOUSED - Examining issues related to poverty, including hunger and homelessness, including community programs to help those in need.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Community support in ending hunger.

Issue: ECONOMY- Examining issues related to the economy, including inflation, supply chain issues and the local impact.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
The Impact	10/29/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	From potholes to public records, cap-and-trade to capital gains: a press corps panel reflects on the big state government stories of 2023 and the issues to watch in 2024. Featuring Jerry Cornfield of the Washington State Standard and Shauna Sowersby of McClatchy Newspapers (Tacoma News-Tribune, The Olympian, Bellingham Herald, Tri-City Herald).

The Impact	11/9/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	A look at how the legalization of sports betting has impacted the entertainment sector and sports coverage. From player intimidation to inside information, we explore emerging issues for regulators, then highlight resources for problem gambling. Guest: Tina Griffin, Director of the Washington State Gambling Commission.
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Issue: ENVIRONMENT- Examining issues related to the environment, including recycling.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
The Impact	10/8/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	A look at the debate over state carbon policies, goals, and gas prices. Senate energy policy leaders from opposite sides of the aisle weigh in on the Climate Commitment Act's carbon pricing program and greenhouse gas reduction deadlines. Featuring: Sen. Joe Nguyen (D-White Center), Chair of the Senate Environment, Energy, and Technology Committee and Sen. Drew MacEwen (R-Shelton), Ranking Member on the committee.
The Impact	10/15/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	Part two of our series on Washington's sweeping new carbon pricing policies. This episode covers plans to target air pollution in specific communities and outlines

				some of the unresolved questions facing regulators, utilities, and taxpayers.
The Impact	10/22/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	Research sheds light on a new high-risk earthquake scenario for the Seattle metropolitan area. State emergency management agency highlights annual earthquake preparedness drill.
The Impact	11/5/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	An update on the state effort to address hundreds of seismically vulnerable school buildings before the next big earthquake and an overview of earthquake-related fatalities and injuries caused by unreinforced masonry in 1949 and 1965. Guest: Tyler Muench, Capital Budget lead for the state superintendent's office.
The Impact	11/12/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	An update on the effort to remove the dam that created Capitol Lake and restore the Deschutes estuary in downtown Olympia. Featuring input from different stakeholders and a one-on-one interview with the new project lead for the Department of Enterprise Services, Ann Larson.
The Impact	12/3/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	Can beekeepers breathe easy yet? An update on the multi-year effort to eradicate the invasive Northern Giant Hornet in Washington. Then a look

				at how Washington's experience may help other states which are dealing with a different invasive hornet. Guest: Sven Spichiger, Washington State Department of Agriculture.
PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Keep America Beautiful, anti-littering, various nature PSAs.

Issue: EDUCATION & ARTS- Examining issues related to education, arts & local culture.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Financial education.
InvestigateTV	11/5/2023	12:00 – 12:30	00:30:00	In this special edition of InvestigateTV – Hazed & Excused – the team looks at instances of hazing on college campuses. Joce Sterman speaks with the families of students whose lives were forever changed – or cut short – as the result of a hazing incident. She also reveals the complex structure of protections national Greek organizations have that often end in fraternity executives pushing oversight and blame to local chapters.

Issue: DIVERSITY & INCLUSION- Examining issues related to the diversity & inclusion such as pride, heritage, and anti-bullying.

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PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Various anti-bullying PSAs.

Issue: HEALTH - Examining issues related to the healthcare such as mental health, cancer awareness, COVID-19, and long-term healthcare plans.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Various PSAs on healthcare research, mental health, Alzheimer's, obesity, cancer, addiction, muscular dystrophy, blood pressure, and COVID-19.
InvestigateTV	10/15/2023	12:00 – 12:30	00:30:00	Scientists say water containing cancer-linked chemicals has been flowing through taps for decades. Andy Pierrotti discovers how the toxins have shown up in elevated levels in the bloodstreams of Americans, and contaminated freshwater fish from coast to coast. Plus, industry and sport fishermen at odds over menhaden fishing off the coast of Louisiana.
InvestigateTV	10/22/2023	12:00 – 12:30	00:30:00	Hospitals across the country are supposed to post their prices online. But Rachel DePompa found many make that information difficult to find. Plus, a new law supposed to help keep medical bills down does not cover a common emergency expense.
InvestigateTV	10/29/2023	12:00 – 12:30	00:30:00	Billions of lawsuit settlement dollars are being paid out by the opioid industry. But advocates say more

				needs to be done to include the public in the conversation about how to spend it. Plus, quiet, small-town life interrupted by a rash of opioid overdoses.
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Issue: GOVERNMENT & POLITICS - Examining issues related to local, state, and national government bodies and elections that are of importance to local viewers.

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PSAs	10/1/23 - 12/31/23	Various	00:00:30	Various PSAs on military service and gun safety.

Issue: CRIME & PUBLIC SAFETY - Examining issues related to local and state public safety, policing, and homelessness that are of importance to local viewers.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
The Impact	12/10/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	From convenience and speed to security and privacy, we explore the potential pros and cons of a requested rule change to allow biometric forms of ID that rely on fingerprints or other physical characteristics for alcohol and cannabis purchases. Guest: Justin Nordhorn, Director of Policy and External Affairs for the Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board.
The Impact	12/17/2023	11:00 – 11:30	00:30:00	State authorities have reportedly cleared the long-running backlog of untested sexual assault evidence kits. A look at the implications for survivors and suspects.

				Guest: Chris Loftis, Washington State Patrol.
InvestigateTV	10/1/2023	12:00 – 12:30	00:30:00	It's a well-known secret within the fraternity industry that while its undergraduate members foot the bill for expensive liability insurance, when something goes wrong, those students largely are left without coverage while headquarters executives and the national organizations are generally fully protected. Joce Sterman shares the tragic story of a former fraternity member who's still suffering the effects of a brutal hazing incident from half a decade ago.
InvestigateTV	10/8/2023	12:00 – 12:30	00:30:00	Watchdogs say companies don't do enough to alert customers to dangerous household goods. Plus, illegal and banned products are sometimes easily found for sale online. Lee Zurik speaks with to the chair of the Consumer Product Safety Commission about what can be done.