

KSMO (Kansas City)
Issues/Program Report
2nd Quarter 2023

# The following programs are locally produced live news programs that present a mixture of news, weather, sports and issue-related stories and segments.

<u>Program</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Time (Central)</u>
KCTV 5 News at 6:00 a.m.	Monday - Friday	7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.
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KCTV 5 News at 9:00 a.m.	Monday - Friday	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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#### **2nd Quarter Special Programming Notes**

KSMO made no changes to or extended its normal programming for special and/or breaking news events.

## 2nd Quarter 2023 Summary

Some examples of the ways KSMO – TV used news programming to address issues of concern to the public in its service area are included in this report. Duration of reports are from :15 – 3:21 minutes.

- Crime & Violence
- Community & Charity
- Health & Medical
- Political & Government

### **Crime & Violence Concerns (April 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
Ralph Yarl shot	April 18, 2023	7 a.m.	3:21

KSMO reports on the developing situation of charges filed against Andrew Lester, the 84-year-old man who shot 14-year-old Ralph Yarl when the Kansas City, Missouri, teen knocked on the wrong house door late last week. Students at Staley High School are planning a Unity walk on Tuesday.

Blue Springs RV homicide April 21, 2023 7 a.m. :36

KSMO's Janae Hancock provides live updates from the OTT desk in-studio on a fire outside a

Blue Springs, Missouri, home involving an RV. One man was killed and the Blue Springs Police

Department said it is investigating the incident.

## **Crime & Violence Concerns (May 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration	
Arrests in Sir'Antonio shooting	May 19, 2023	7 a.m.	:58	
KSMO reports that multiple arrests have been made and police are searching for more people				

in connection to a shooting in Kansas City, Kansas, that killed 6-year-old Sir'Antonio Brown.

Klymax Nightclub shooting May 22, 2023 7 a.m. :50 KSMO's Nathan Brennan reports from KCPD headquarters with the latest on a Sunday shooting at Klymax Nightclub. The shooting killed three people and left another two with injuries in the early morning hours Sunday.

### **Crime & Violence Concerns (June 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
I-670 shooting	June 7, 2023	7 a.m.	:21

A call that initially came in as a car accident turned into a shooting at I-670 Highway and Broadway Street. KSMO's Joe Hennessy reports that when police arrived they found a woman with gunshot wounds.

Powder mailed in KS June 19, 2023 7 a.m. 1:06

The Kansas Bureau of Investigations said more than 100 suspicious letters were found from Friday through Sunday in Kansas by Republican lawmakers. On Friday it was reported that 30 suspicious letters were found and that number continued to increase throughout the weekend.

## **Community & Charity Concerns (April 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration		
Kelce Jam	April 4, 2023	7 a.m.	:53		
KSMO reporter Nathan Brennan reports on the plans for Kelce Jam, a music festival in Kansa					
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sas City, Missouri, organized by Kansas City Chiefs tight end Travis Kelce and scheduled for the weekend of the 2023 NFL Draft.

Disabled career fair April 6, 2023 :59 7 a.m. Individuals of all abilities are getting a fair chance at a job opportunity. AS KSMO reporter Joe Hennessy explains, the Transition Academy alongside Down Syndrome Innovations and the Sherwood Autism Center are back for their second-annual Diversability College and Career Fair.

### **Community & Charity Concerns (May 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
Recycling bins KCMO	May 1, 2023	7 a.m.	1:00
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Kansas City residents will receive recycling carts to their doors Monday to keep their areas clean. KSMO reporter Joe Hennessy provides the details on the city's new setup.

Chiefs tickets on sale May 12, 2023 7 a.m. :49

A day after the NFL officially released its entire 2023 schedule, KSMO reporter Joe Hennessy reports from Arrowhead Stadium on the details and how Chiefs fans can get tickets for the upcoming season.

#### **Community & Charity Concerns (June 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
Pride month in KC	June 1, 2023	7 a.m.	1:05

Crosswalks in Kansas City look a little different on the first day of June. KSMO's Joe Hennessy dives into the details on how the city is planning for the upcoming Kansas City pride parade.

Pallet fire KCMO June 16, 2023 7 a.m. 1:31

KSMO's Nathan Brennan reports from the site of a massive fire at Pioneer Pallet Company, located in the eastern portion of Kansas City, Missouri. The flames were able to be seen from miles away when the fire began Thursday, and as Brennan reports, firefighters were still on scene Friday morning after the fire burned so hot that it melted tires and several parts on the fire trucks.

## **Health & Medical Concerns (April 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
Abortion pill fight	April 10, 2023	7 a.m.	:42

KSMO reports a fight over abortion rights could be heading back to the Supreme Court. It's happening because two federal judges issued rulings that could impact access to abortion meds.

Honey and allergies April 12, 2023 7 a.m. :58

Reporter Nathan Brennan explains how bees are providing some help for Kansas Citians as the weather gets warmer. Brennan spoke to local beekeepers at a local honey business to explain how honey might help some people with their allergies.

### **Health & Medical Concerns (May 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
1/3 of nurses want to quit	May 2, 2023	7 a.m.	:16
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KSMO reports that nearly one third of nurses are considering quitting according to a survey for AMN healthcare. The report cited 30 percent wanted to leave the profession following a post-COVID burnout.

U.S. RSV vaccine shortage May 4, 2023 7 a.m. :15

KSMO reports the United States Food & Drug Administration has approved the first vaccine for RSV. It's intended to protect vulnerable adults 60 years and older.

## **Health & Medical Concerns (June 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration		
Children's Mercy Mental Health	June 15, 2023	7 a.m.	1:12		
KSMO reports that Children's Mercy plans to share several strategies to "help light the path					
forward" impacting more than 80,000 children. It comes after the Center for Disease Control					
and Prevention suggested that ADHD or anxiety are common among school-aged children.					

Penicillin shortage June 16, 2023 7 a.m. :23

On Friday, Pfizer announced that it expects to run out of a certain form of penicillin by the end of the month. KSMO reports that "Bicillin" is a long-acting injectable antibiotic that Pfizer says is not widely used because the shots are painful.

#### **Political & Governmental Concerns (April 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
Invasive trees	April 11, 2023	7 a.m.	1:58

Joe Hennessy reports for KSMO as the Deep Roots KC program and local officials make a push for residents to remove Bradford Pear Trees, an invasive tree commonly found in and around the Kansas City metro area and Topeka. The trees take over plants that surround them and the Deep Roots KC program is offering residents incentives to remove them from their property.

Library funding in MO April 20, 2023 7 a.m. :20
KSMO reports that funding for public libraries in Missouri has been added back to the state's budget. The budget chairman said a lawsuit by two school libraries to overturn a new state law

banning sexually explicit materials in school libraries was a factor in trying to get rid of it.

### **Political & Governmental Concerns (May 2023)**

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
KC sanctuary city	May 10, 2023	7 a.m.	:56

A proposal in Kansas City would make it a sanctuary city for people seeking or providing gender-affirming care and services. KSMO reports the proposal says the city would not prosecute or fine any person or organization seeking, providing, receiving, or helping someone receive those treatments. KSMO's Joe Hennessy reports from City Hall in Kansas City, Missouri.

Renaming Troost May 24, 2023 7 a.m. 1:20

A city committee could decide if another step is taken toward renaming Troost Avenue. KSMO's Nathan Brennan says the initiative began over a year ago, and as of Friday morning a petition calling for the change of the street name has over 1,600 signatures.

### Political & Governmental Concerns (June 2023)

Title	Date Aired	Newscast	Duration
Biden signs debt deal	June 5, 2023	7 a.m.	:38

KSMO reports the nation avoided a debt default after President Joe Biden signed the bi-partisan budget agreement.

Raymore landfill June 6, 2023 7 a.m. 1:02

A one-year ban ordinance for landfills in Kansas City, Missouri, was put in place by Mayor Quinton Lucas and will be discussed more at a city plan commission meeting inside City Hall. KSMO reports that a group protested outside the proposed site of a landfill the week prior.