

April-June 2020

## KNXV-TV broadcasts programs that address community issues including:

- ABC15 Mornings (Monday-Friday 4:30am-7am)
- ABC15 News at 11am (Monday-Friday 11am-12pm)
- ABC15 News at 4pm (Monday-Friday 4pm-5pm)
- ABC15 News at 5pm (Monday-Friday 5pm-5:30pm)
- ABC15 News at 6pm (Monday-Friday 6-7pm)
- ABC15 News at 10pm (Monday-Friday 10pm-10:35pm)
- ABC15 News Mornings (Saturday-Sunday 5am-7am)
- ABC15 News Mornings (Saturday 8am-9am)
- ABC15 News Saturday at 6pm (Saturday 6pm-7pm)
- ABC15 News Sunday at 5pm (Sunday 5pm-5:30pm)
- ABC15 News at 10pm (Saturday-Sunday 10pm-11pm)

# KNXV-TV's most significant issue-responsive programming during the first quarter of 2020 include:

<u>lssue</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Length</u>
Health	Apr-Jun 2020	Live Coverage Coronavirus Press Conferences (National or state)	26 hours 47 minutes
Health	Weekdays 4/1-6/12/20	Coronavirus: The Rundown	30-minute daily show
Produced by Scripps this daily show gave viewers news and updates on the Coronavirus pandemic.			
Health	4/1/2020	ABC15 News at 4p	2:21

As parents, teachers and kids settle into remote learning school counselors are also hard at work, addressing their students' social and emotional needs. It is no easy task, yet they are still finding ways to stay connected.



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Health 4/2/2020 ABC15 News at 10p 2:45

How do you avoid COVID-19? Drugs, supplements and treatments linked to the virus are flooding online sites, but do they really work? Are you wasting money or worse, are you harming your health? ABC15's Let Joe Know took a look at scams aimed at taking money from Valley residents during the pandemic.

Health 4/2/2020 ABC15 News at 5p 1:55

A Scottsdale woman who is recovering after contracting COVID-19 is speaking out, to help others learn from her experience.

Health 4/9/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 1:48

Cynthia Uriarte is a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Downtown Phoenix. At the beginning of the year, she decided to take a travel assignment at a hospital in Riverside, California. In early April, Uriarte was positively tested for COVID-19 after working with a patient who later tested positive for the virus.

Health 4/20/2020 ABC15 News at 10p 2:21

Experts and epidemiologists say testing is imperative when it comes to combating the spread of COVID-19. But right now, Arizona is one of many states without widespread testing. State leaders say the lack of testing can be attributed to the lack of swabs and other sample collection materials. The supplies are in high demand, so manufacturing is strained and the entire supply chain is overwhelmed. Furthermore, the hardest hit areas, like New York City, are being prioritized out of necessity.

Health 5/1/2020 ABC15 News at 5a 2:20

It's a mission to get 5,000 Valley first responders coronavirus antibody tests. The United Phoenix Firefighters Association and the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association are helping their members get those tests. This week, the focus was on testing firefighters. Next week, they'll transition to testing police officers.



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Health 5/6/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

3:23

The state's top public health leader put a team of 23 experts working on Arizona's projections for COVID-19 on pause, but Arizona State University officials say they will continue their research.

Health

5/14/2020

ABC15 News at 10p

3:45

Following an ABC15 investigation into excess deaths, a nationally-respected doctor and researcher also believes that Arizona has likely had hundreds of more people die from COVID-19 than officially reported.

Health

5/19/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

2:38

Animal-assisted therapy has been known to provide comfort to people in pain, both physically and mentally. Dogs are a great option for this kind of work due to their accepting, non-judgmental personalities to help reduce the pressure someone might be feeling. But due to the coronavirus pandemic, most of those visits have been halted. However The Rebound Arizona found a way to keep the smiles going, even if it is through a screen. A golden retriever named Laney is still available for those therapy sessions virtually.

Health

5/25/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

0:59

A Valley doctor hopes to raise awareness for patient care one mile at a time. Dr. David Mayer plans to walk more than 100 miles over 10 days between each of the nine Major League Baseball Cactus League stadiums around the Valley plus Chase Field in downtown Phoenix. Every day, Dr. Mayer will walk in memory of a caregiver or patient lost to preventable harm including death caused by improper equipment, incorrect diagnosis, medication errors and more. According to Mayer, medical errors in hospitals are the third leading cause of death in the United States.

Health

6/3/2020

ABC15 News at 5p

2:54

According to numbers released by the state's Department of Health Services, Arizona has recorded the second highest number of cases in a single day with more than 22,000 cases now reported. That is up more than 1,000 cases from yesterday. The state is also reporting 40 new deaths from the virus, bringing the total number of deaths to 981.



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Health 6/5/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

2:52

A spike this week in newly reported coronavirus cases is putting added pressure on Arizona's hospital system. Banner Health, the state's largest healthcare delivery system, reports its intensive care units are approaching 100 percent capacity.

Health

6/15/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

2:13

In the first half of June, Arizona has reported more than 16,000 new positive COVID-19 cases, and 277 deaths. Dr. O'Hea said state precautions in March and April helped slow the spread of the virus and kept the mortality rate down, but there is still concern for a "second-wave" of cases.

Health

6/22/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

3:34

Arizona Governor Doug Ducey's office is responding to long COVID-19 testing wait times over the weekend by saying they are "similarly frustrated" to see 10 plus hour wait times in the west Valley. Because of that, a spokesperson for the governor's office tells ABC15 that their office and the Department of Health Services is reaching out to community partners and leaders to identify additional collection sites in this community.

Health

6/26/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

3:10

ABC15 has confirmed coronavirus surge plans have been activated at Banner Desert Medical Center in Mesa, Valleywise Health Medical Center in Phoenix and several other hospitals in the Valley.

Health

6/27/2020

ABC15 News at 10p

2:54

Arizona Hospitals have asked the Department of Health Services to implement a "crisis standard of care" due to a lack of essential medical supplies.

Health

6/29/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

2:44

As hospitals expand capacity to keep up with coronavirus cases, they soon may turn to something called Crisis Care Standards. "Crisis Care Standards are like battlefield medicine, if you're in the middle of a battle and people are hurt and just scattered in front of you, it's a way of deciding which ones you try and save and which ones you don't try and save even though all of them are still alive," said Dr. Andrew Carroll.



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Racial Justice 5/30/2020 Breaking news 1:07 For hours Friday evening, crowds of people stationed themselves outside the headquarters of the Phoenix Police Department to peacefully protest against police brutality, including the in-custody death of George Floyd in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Late in the evening the protests became violent.

Racial Justice 6/1/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 3:05

The death of George Floyd in Minnesota may have been the catalyst for several days of protests in Phoenix, but anger and frustration about police use of force and lack of transparency, has been boiling over within African American and Latino communities in Arizona for years.

Racial Justice 6/3/2020 ABC15 News at 10p 2:10

The owner of a popular bar located in Old Town Scottsdale is facing harsh criticism for a post on her personal Facebook page Monday criticizing Black Lives Matters protesters.

Racial Justice 6/3/2020 ABC15 News at 4p 2:22

Peaceful stances against unequal civil rights have been successful throughout history and nonviolent movements can lead to meaningful systemic change. "There's no more room to just sit by the side, it's time for people to be active participants and really get themselves involved in the issue," said Jacob Ali Wertheimer, grandson of the late Mohammad Ali.

Racial Justice 6/2/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 3:52

On Sunday, while demonstrators marched in the streets of Phoenix, Governor Doug Ducey met with faith leaders from across the Valley, looking for a way to deal with issues of race in Arizona. By some accounts, the meeting didn't go so well. Pastor Redeem Robinson of the Ebenezer Church in Phoenix said, "It just seemed like it was a meeting to say, 'I spoke to the black leaders.' It was something to cross off his check list. I didn't see any sincerity in it." Dr. Warren H. Stewart, Sr., pastor of the First Institutional Baptist Church in Phoenix who helped arrange the meeting for the governor, was even more critical. "I don't know if the governor understands systemic racism. He suffers from white privilege," Dr. Stewart said.



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Racial Justice

6/24/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

2:39

Tempe Police Chief Sylvia Moir tells ABC15 about how she's trying to improve her agency to be more effective and respectful. Tempe officers have faced additional scrutiny since the January 2019 police shooting of 14-year-old Antonio Arce. The teen had a fake gun and was running away when then-officer Joseph Jaen opened fire. Arce died. Jaen retired from the department with an accidental disability pension and was never criminally charged.

Racial Justice

6/21/2020

ABC15 News Sun 5a

2:01

Anaiya Whitfield, a high school student in Phoenix, organized a march in downtown Phoenix Saturday. "They told me I should be silent. They said I am in a child's place, that I should not speak my mind... so I decided to organize a protest to tell every last one of them, 'you can not shut me up,'" Whitfield said to the crowd of protesters. The peaceful protest began at Margaret T. Hance Park and ended in front of the Arizona State Capitol Building.

Racial Justice

6/16/2020

ABC15 News at 6p

3:45

As concerns about police shootings rose in Phoenix in 2019, community leaders called on the Phoenix Police Department to increase de-escalation training.

Racial Justice

6/15/2020

ABC15 News at 10p

1:49

Local educators are not only focused on COVID-19, they are also paying attention to recent protests and calls for change. One Valley high school teacher, working to make sure all her students feel inspired and included, is now getting national attention for her efforts. Over the past few weeks we've seen students by the hundreds and demonstrators by the thousands, rallying for justice, acceptance and accountability. English Teacher Rosanna Orta turned to classroom crowdfunding site Donors Choose, asking for books by Black authors, Latinx authors and literature of multiple perspectives to add to her classroom library. Within hours, dozens of books worth more than two thousand dollars were on the way. Orta was recently featured on Good Morning America and has two more book club projects going so students can start their own discussions, highlighting and including as many different voices as possible.



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Transportation	4/21/2020	ABC15 News at 5a	0:22
Rideshare company Lyft says it will continue service at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport despite new rideshare fees set to start next month.			
Transportation	5/20/2020	ABC15 News at 10p	5:40
Beginning on June 1, anyone entering a Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport facility will be required to wear a face covering to help reduce the spread of the coronavirus.			
Transportation	6/11/2020	ABC15 News at 5p	1:50
ABC15's Let Joe Know gives viewers practical hints an advice on staying safe while planning, booking and travelling through airports this Summer.			
Transportation	6/8/2020	ABC15 News at 5p	3:32
ABC15's Let Joe Know looks into the reasons why gas prices are higher in Arizona than many other states.			
Transportation	4/27/2020	ABC15 News at 6p	3:30
The Let Joe Know team is finding that little oversight from the government is making it hard to determine what you are entitled to, especially with the airlines receiving billions of dollars in bailout			

money when you cancel planned travel during the pandemic.



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Employment	4/28/2020	ABC15 News at 5p	2:08

Goodwill is hosting their first Virtual Job Fair through Zoom on Wednesday from 10a-1:30p. There will be 10 businesses participating in the event and they are looking to fill roughly 300 positions.

Employment 5/18/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 2:04

The failure of the Arizona Department of Economic Security to payout benefits is prompting some workers to make drastic decisions including moving out of state.

Employment 4/24/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 2;33

The Arizona Department of Economic Security is set to launch a new system to help those whose employment has been impacted by COVID-19. The new Pandemic Unemployment Assistance system was announced Friday and is set to launch on May 12, according to a statement from DES. The Department acquired the services of Geographic Solutions Inc. to implement a pandemic system, which aims to get help faster to people in need of benefits.

Employment 6/10/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 2:40 We've been calling attention to the problem for weeks, we continue to hear from dozens of people

almost every day that say they have not seen a penny since applying for unemployment assistance - in some cases more than two months ago.



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Education	6/29/2020	ABC15 News at 6p	2:55

With some Arizona school districts originally scheduled to start classes in less than a month, Governor Doug Ducey on Monday delayed in-person instruction until at least August 17.

Education 4/29/2020 ABC15 News at 5p 2:13

Students and parents across Arizona are juggling the demands of at-home learning and while so many are in that same situation, the teaching methods, coursework and grading criteria can look very different. It's a common question many parents have expressed to ABC15 since schools closed: "why is there no statewide standard in place?" Here is how State Superintendent Kathy Hoffman explained it. "We are a local control state and the local governing board does make those policies," Hoffman said. "If the state legislature wanted to take action on those types of things they could, but that's not something they included in their school closure legislation."

Education 5/6/2020 ABC15 News at 6p 2:39

The plans for Arizona schools to possibly reopen in-person classes at the beginning of the next school year are in the works. The Arizona Department of Education announced a task force is working closely with the Arizona State Board of Education, the Arizona Department of Health Services, and the Governor's office to create a reopening plan for the 2020-2021 school year. ABC15's special reporting project, The Rebound Arizona, is asking students if they feel safe about returning to the classroom.