

KCNC-TV

Quarterly Issues/Programs Report
Second Quarter
2021

April 1st, 2021 – June 30th, 2021

KCNC-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained community issues during the period from April 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021.

KCNC broadcasts both locally produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, KCNC also broadcasts several network programs including Face The Nation, 60 Minutes and 48 Hours, which we believe also serve community needs and interests.

PROGRAM INDEX

CBS4 MORNING - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: Two and a half hours Monday - Friday 4:30 am - 7:00am. One hour Saturday 7:00am - 8:00am. Two hours Sunday 6:00am - 8:00am.

CBS4 AT NOON - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 12:00pm - 12:30pm

CBS4 AT 5 - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 5:00pm - 5:30pm. One hour Saturday - Sunday, 5:00pm - 6:00pm.

CBS4 AT 6 - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Saturday, 6:00pm - 6:30pm.

CBS4 AT 6:30 - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: One half-hour Monday - Friday, 6:30pm - 7:00pm.

CBS4 AT 10 - Regularly scheduled news broadcast dealing with timely news and other subjects of general interest to viewers in the metropolitan area.

Duration: Thirty five minutes Monday - Sunday, 10:00pm - 10:35pm

WEDNESDAY'S CHILD - Mekialaya White highlights a child waiting to be adopted from the Adoption Exchange. Duration: One minute and forty-five seconds. Wednesdays, 12:00pm, 5:00pm and 10:00pm newscasts

ISSUES

Health

CBS4 MORNING –

4/15/21 - Colorado lawmakers are considering a bill to improve maternal health aimed at bettering pregnancy outcomes for minority women, as the U.S. recognizes Black Maternal Health Week. About 700 women across the country die annually from complications during pregnancy, delivery and post-partum. Black and Indigenous women are about three times as likely to die from pregnancy-related causes as White women, according to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

4/23/21 - As younger Coloradans consider whether they get vaccinated, a study at the University of Colorado Boulder shows the potential for asymptomatic people to spread disease. PhD Kristin Bjorkman, COVID scientific director at CU, helped lead a study looking at viral load and its role in the spread of COVID-19.

5/14/21 - May is Pre-eclampsia Awareness Month. Pre-eclampsia affects two out of 100 pregnant women. It's a blood pressure condition believed to originate in the placenta, which is why it's only seen during pregnancy. It typically affects women toward the end of their pregnancy, and sometimes after they deliver.

6/10/21 - Repair crews fixed an equipment failure at a pump station Thursday morning that disrupted water service to residents and businesses on the west side of Castle Pines 24 hours earlier. The Castle Pines North Metro District gave its customers a "thumbs up" to resume outdoor irrigation Thursday, but Colorado health officials asked the district to also issue a boil advisory for customers planning to drink or cook with the water.

CBS4 AT NOON–

4/12/21 - Students 16 and older at Thomas Jefferson High School can sign up for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. The school is hosting a drive-thru and walk-up clinic on Saturday, April 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

4/27/21 - Some students at the University of Colorado are working on a solution to get more COVID-19 vaccines into rural communities. It's been tough so far because of the cold temperatures that most vaccines must be stored. Some mechanical engineering students at CU have developed the "Porta Vax." It's essentially a portable device that refrigerates up to 250 doses and keeps them cold for several days by using insulation and dry ice.

6/2/21 - Colorado teenagers between the ages of 12-17 have a chance to win a \$50,000 scholarship. Gov. Jared Polis announced the Comeback Cash Scholarship program on Wednesday, which will offer a total of 25 scholarships for eligible teens who have received the COVID-19 vaccination.

CBS4 AT 5 –

4/6/21 - The VA is stepping up efforts to get all veterans vaccinated for COVID-19. Some of that help is coming from Sen. Michael Bennet, a Democrat representing Colorado. Bennet toured a temporary vaccine clinic in Aurora on Tuesday. He also talked about his plan to speed the delivery of vaccines while putting veterans to work.

4/20/21 - A teenager is putting patients at ease at UCHHealth University of Colorado Hospital. Alex Bean is responsible for getting them where they need to go. The 19-year-old with autism knows the hospital like the back of his hand.

4/30/21 - National Donate Life Month is wrapping up and one special recipient is sharing his story to help raise awareness. Three days after Stockton was born in Montrose, he was flown to Children's Hospital Colorado where he spent three weeks in the NICU due to kidney and bladder issues. Health officials determined his kidneys were small and atypically formed as a result of a blockage at his bladder outlet. He was discharged home but due to declining kidney function needed to start peritoneal dialysis at several months of age. Eventually, Stockton would need a new kidney.

5/4/21 - Every three hours, a child is rushed to an ER after swallowing a button battery. That's according to the American Academy of Pediatrics. Toddler Calvin Picker will have his ninth surgical procedure after one of those batteries got caught in his esophagus. The baby boy is lucky he survived.

5/7/21 - A baby born with some of her organs protruding from her body is now home with her parents in Frederick. Isabella Rhea Beach spent her first month of life in Children's Hospital Colorado where she had five surgeries to repair the rare birth defect. Already, her life story is amazing. Little Bella came into the world with an omphalocele, a hole in the abdominal wall.

6/24/21 - Sporting events may be one way to target students who haven't been vaccinated. But for many competitors at the Colorado High School Track and Field Championship, they got their shots long ago to be in top condition. "I saw the gap and I was like, 'OK we're just going to have to go and I got to just do this for them,'" Riley Stewart, Cherry Creek High School student recalled her last lap.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

4/8/21 - Officials from Centura Health discussed what happened at Wednesday's COVID-19 vaccine clinic at Dick's Sporting Goods Park when the clinic was paused while several people experienced adverse side effects after getting the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. Of the 11 people who got sick after receiving the Janssen vaccine, two were hospitalized.

4/13/21 - Coloradans who received a COVID-19 vaccine at Dr. Moma Health and Wellness Clinic will need to get another round. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment says they cannot verify whether the vaccines were viable. Last week, CDPHE issued a suspension notice for the clinic after they learned the vaccines were not properly stored. Late Tuesday night, the agency says the clinic failed to provide proper documentation of temperature storage.

5/18/21 - Because of the pandemic, 200 blood drives have been canceled each week in the U.S. Yet every two seconds, someone in this country needs blood. Vitalant is urging people to honor moms in the month of May by giving blood. CBS4 Health Specialist Kathy Walsh met a mother who needed donated blood to save her life.

CBS4 AT 10 –

4/3/21 - Administrators at Fort Lewis College in Durango say the COVID-19 vaccination will be a requirement for students attending classes on campus this fall. The announcement was made on Friday in the form of a letter from President Tom Stritikus to students and staff.

5/13/21 - A man from Parker had one of the first cases of COVID-19 in Colorado. In March of 2020, he contracted the virus and suffered a stroke. Cory Smith and his wife, Jenn Cline, say it changed their lives forever.

5/24/21 - Colorado health officials so abhor the high costs associated with free-standing emergency rooms they're offering to pay hospitals to shut the facilities down. The state wants hospitals to convert them to other purposes, such as providing primary care or mental health services. At least 500 free-standing ERs have set up in more than 20 states in the past decade. Colorado has 44, 34 owned by hospitals. The trend began a decade ago with hopes these stand-alone facilities would fill a need for ER care when no hospital was nearby and reduce congestion at hospital ERs.

5/27/21 - As Colorado's COVID vaccination rate increases, many people are wondering if they will need a booster, and when. The focus right now is getting more people vaccinated in this round. At least 43% of Coloradans are fully vaccinated, and 53% have received at least one dose. With vaccination rates on the rise in Colorado, UCHHealth is looking ahead to a potential COVID vaccination booster.

Transportation

CBS4 MORNING –

4/12/21 - Part of 48th Avenue in Denver will close Monday night as crews work on a bridge over the 48th Avenue Viaduct. The Denver Department of Transportation and Infrastructure says crews will remove asphalt from the top side of the bridge.

5/16/21 - Drivers should be aware of upcoming closures along Interstate 25 in Larimer County. Starting Sunday night, May 16, at 9 p.m. the Colorado Department of Transportation will close all of Larimer County Road 14. Crews will install new bridge girders on the bridge over I-25. Drivers will be detoured around the closure. This closure will last until 5 a.m. each night until May 23.

6/2/21 - A massive state transportation package is getting closer to landing on Gov. Jared Polis' desk. The bill invests more than \$5 billion over the next 11 years into Colorado's infrastructure. The Colorado House of Representatives passed the measure on Wednesday morning. It heads back to the Senate with revisions before it can head to Polis.

CBS4 AT NOON–

4/19/21 - Overnight closures are planned next week on West 6th Avenue for construction on the Barnum Pedestrian Bridge between Federal and Sheridan Boulevards. The city of Denver built the bridge about five years ago to connect the Villa Park and Barnum neighborhoods.

5/4/21 - Billions of dollars in new fees may be the answer to fixing Colorado's roads. A draft of a bill by Democrats in the state legislature includes about \$3.9 billion in new fees and \$1.5 billion in general fund

and stimulus dollars. Everyone who uses the roads pays under the bill which includes a 2 cent fee on gas and diesel starting in 2022 that increases to 8 cents by 2028. The fee is on top of the current gas tax.

6/2/21 - Colorado children helped name 20 new snowplows in the Colorado Department of Transportation's fleet. The children from all over the state submitted their best ideas for the inaugural "Name That Plow" contest.

6/16/21 - The Regional Transportation District is looking for a new A Line sponsor. In a recent meeting, the RTD Board of Directors announced their partnership with the University of Colorado will end in May 2022.

CBS4 AT 5 –

4/7/21 - The Colorado House of Representatives passed a bill on Tuesday that aims to boost ridership through the Regional Transportation District. House Bill 21-1186 would give the Regional Transportation District greater flexibility to lower fares and take advantage of new revenue sources.

4/23/21 - A major repaving project is getting underway in Summit County next month. The Colorado Department of Transportation will be working on the westbound lanes of Interstate 70 between Silverthorne and Frisco in May.

5/28/21 - A \$50 million handshake between the Colorado Department of Transportation and the Union Pacific Railroad will send one of the last remaining large parcels in central Denver into the hands of engineers and planners and push a tight, busy section of Interstate 25 toward a major overhaul. CDOT announced Wednesday the purchase Burnham Yard, a rail facility dating back to the city's origins, as an important piece of its transportation future.

6/4/21 - Starting Friday night, there will be full overnight closures on northbound Interstate 25 from Ridgeway Parkway to Lincoln Avenue. Crews with the Colorado Department of Transportation are making repairs on the Sky Ridge Bridge in Lone Tree. The bridge was struck by a commercial truck in February.

6/24/21 - There's another option for those who want to visit Estes Park or Rocky Mountain National Park. The Bustang resumes service to the Estes Park Visitor Center on July 3. The service will continue every weekend until the beginning of October. The Bustang will make two roundtrips from Denver's Union Station to the Estes Park Visitor Center.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

4/1/21 - In 2020, nearly one-third of motor vehicle deaths in Colorado involved impaired drivers. In an effort to save lives, the Colorado Department of Transportation is teaming up with State Patrol for a Spring DUI enforcement period. From April 2 to May 10, a total of 84 law enforcement agencies will increase DUI patrols. CSP anticipates more drivers on the road as temperatures warm and more Coloradans get vaccinated against COVID-19.

5/2/21 - The Colorado Department of Transportation closed rest areas and the recreation path along Interstate 70 in Glenwood Canyon on Sunday night. The safety closure will last until the forecast improves, CDOT says. The No Name, Grizzly Creek, Hanging Lake and Bair Ranch rest areas are affected due to weather forecasts calling for rainfall above the Grizzly Creek Fire burn scar.

6/9/21 - The Colorado Department of Transportation and Colorado State Patrol are asking drivers to slow down on Interstate 70's mountain corridor in Summit County. Speeding is happening through construction zones near Silverthorne. That creates dangerous working conditions, especially at night, for those I-70 improvements that start around Frisco.

CBS4 AT 10 –

4/29/21 - Denver's Department of Transportation & Infrastructure (DOTI) is working with developers to further the city's mobility goals. The city will require new developments to create ways to expand travel options and promote alternatives to driving. Denver's single-occupancy vehicle trips are at 73%. The city would like to see that reduced to 50%. Single occupancy vehicle trips contribute to traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions.

5/22/21 - In the Elyria-Swansea neighborhood, all eyes were open Saturday as the Colorado Department of Transportation spent the day taking down the Interstate 70 viaduct. This is part of the Central 70 project called the Mile High Shift. CDOT closed the highway between Washington Boulevard and Interstate 270 Friday so they could demolish the old viaduct and shift traffic to the new trench they've been digging.

Business

CBS4 MORNING –

4/2/21 - Thousands of fans turned out for opening day of the Rockies 2021 season at Coors Field and filled up the restaurants and bars Thursday along Blake Street during the day, a much-needed boost in business for those working inside and outside.

6/2/21 - A former Russell Stover plant in Montrose will be converted into a food and innovation center. The facility closed last fall. The site will house multiple companies and will provide processing, storage and distribution for locally-produced food.

CBS4 AT NOON–

4/12/21 - An iconic Colorado restaurant has filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy. The owners of Casa Bonita in Lakewood filed papers in Arizona last week.

5/21/21 - Summer 2021 is shaping up to be one where lots of people head out to the great outdoors, and it's no surprise Colorado is getting noticed. Four of our communities landed on the U.S. News & World Report's list of "Best Mountain Towns to Visit in the USA." The magazine put together a list of 21 towns based on a number of categories including sights, culture, nightlife, family, romance and accessibility. Telluride, Breckenridge, Aspen, and Estes Park made the list.

6/16/21 - Loveland Ski Area is expanding. A proposal to expand terrain and parking has been approved. The improvements focus on Loveland Valley, an area designed for beginners. There will be two new runs built.

CBS4 AT 5 –

4/15/21 - Denver International Airport is getting a new nonstop flight to Europe. On Thursday Air France announced new nonstop service from DIA to Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport. Sales start on Thursday in what will be the first flights ever in or out of DIA for Air France, although the service's launch is "contingent on changes to travel bans currently in effect which do not allow non-essential travel between the United States and Europe" due to the coronavirus pandemic.

5/5/21 - Regal Cinemas is planning to reopen four locations in Colorado in time for the weekend. The Denver Pavilions, Colorado Mills, Park Meadows and Village at the Peaks locations of Regal Cinemas will reopen Friday.

6/29/21 - Denver shoppers should expect to be charged for plastic or paper bags at the grocery or clothing store soon. The city's fee on disposable bags takes effect on Thursday, July 1. The ordinance was passed in 2019, but implementation was delayed until this year. For each disposable bag, identified as plastic, paper or other material including but not limited to compostable material, the shopper will be charged 10 cents. The ordinance applies to a variety of places including grocery stores, convenience stores, department stores, retail chain stores, hardware stores, liquor stores.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 –

4/26/21 - Apple is doubling down on its manufacturing presence in the United States. The company announced Monday it's bolstering a previously announced investment by an additional 20% and adding another 20,000 new jobs. The company said that its investment, now increased to \$430 billion, comes as its contributions have "significantly outpaced" its original 2018 commitment of \$350 billion to new facilities and the creation of 20,000 jobs.

5/13/21 - Xcel Energy announced this week it will purchase low-emission intensity natural gas produced by Crestone Peak Resources, a Colorado company. Officials say the partnership between the state's largest energy producer and energy provider will drive more sustainable gas production.

CBS4 AT 10 –

4/29/21 - Restaurants looking to hire employees to meet the renewed demand for indoor dining since the pandemic say it is difficult to find enough interested applicants despite a higher unemployment rate in Colorado. There was already a labor shortage in this industry and the past year has added a combination of factors making it even more of a challenge.

5/31/21 - Bikes, cars, appliances and furniture are all running in short supply. It started with companies scaling back, believing the economy would continue to slow during the pandemic. A funny thing happened on the way to the home office. People were spending a lot less on travel and looked around and decided to change their lives and surroundings.