

KDKA-TV
PITTSBURGH, PA

QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT
Second 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 2nd quarter of 2023.

Regularly Scheduled Programs

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

- CBS Mornings, CBS Saturday Morning, CBS Sunday Morning, CBS Evening News with Nora O'Donnell. Regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events. KDKA-TV News broadcast is broadcast Monday through Friday at 4:30 AM, 5:00AM, 6:00AM, 12:00PM, 4:00PM, 5:00PM, 6:00PM, 6:30PM, 7:30PM and 11:00PM. KDKA-TV News is broadcast Saturdays at 5:00AM, 6:00AM, 7:00AM, 10:00AM, 6:00PM, 7:00PM and 11:00PM. KDKA-TV News is broadcast Sundays at 6:30AM, 7:00AM, 8:00AM, 6:30PM and 11:00PM.
- 60 Minutes - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 7 - 8 p.m.
- Face the Nation - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 10:30 – 11 a.m.
- 48 Hours – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 10 - 11 p.m.
- “Health Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on health-related issues, the latest in medical research and treatments, and other health related topics.
- “Money Watch” – features of varying lengths focusing on the latest in the economy along with tips and ways to save money.

Public Service Announcements – The station airs PSAs in rotation from various organizations that include topics such as, Suicide Prevention Month, Breast Cancer Awareness, and The Valarie Fund.

In addition, the station makes community responsive coverage available via CBS News Pittsburgh, a 24/7 direct-to-consumer service that streams anchored news coverage and live breaking news events of interest to viewers in the local market.

KDKA-TV Quarterly Issues and Programs List

Community of License: Pittsburgh, PA DMA

Issue 1: Health & Medical – Examining issues related to healthcare, health and well-being of importance to local viewers

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/3/23	5:30A 4:00P	:45	Two months following the train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio, a youth organization from Pittsburgh traveled to the community to talk to young people there about their concerns. They also talked to scientists and researchers. The Sunrise Movement Pittsburgh said the goal was to give young people the confidence to demand answers.
KDKA NEWS	4/10/23	5:00A 6:00A 12:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	2:00	A new permanent health clinic opened in East Palestine, Ohio to care for the primary care needs, perform tests and exams for residents still impacted by the Norfolk Southern train derailment in February. The facility is an extension of East Liverpool City Hospital. Medical professionals are prepared to address basic health needs as well as illnesses related to the train derailment.
KDKA NEWS	4/23/23	12:00P	:50	An Allegheny County teenager raised over \$20,000 to help other teenagers with the medical costs associated with fighting cancer. Aiden Hanna started the non-profit "Aidens Helping Hands" after he was diagnosed with a form of bone cancer in 2020. He raised the money by hosting a charity golf tournament. The organization has raised nearly \$100,000.
KDKA NEWS	5/18/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	2:30	In May, the University of Pittsburgh announced a "National Sports Brain Bank." Two retired Pittsburgh Steelers volunteered to donate their brains to research to find therapies and causes of multiple illnesses that affect the brain, including concussions, CTE, Alzheimer's disease, ALS and more. Former Steelers Jerome Bettis and Merrill Hoge will participate in the research.

KDKA NEWS	5/18/23	5:00P 6:00P	2:30	The mental health crisis hotline 988 turns one year old in July. Some mental health professionals say it is a vital component of a complex plan to implement a mental health crisis emergency system across the country. Nothing was in place prior to the number being rolled out. However, some rural counties in Pennsylvania don't have the resources to fully implement the plan. Also, statewide, Pennsylvania mental health resources are stretched and need millions in additional funding. Proposed state laws to increase funding are under consideration.
KDKA NEWS	5/25/23	4:00P 5:00P 7:00P	1:05	Acrisure, the national Michigan-based insurance broker, made a large financial donation to UPMC Children's Hospital Fund. The company donated \$7.5 million to the hospital's heart institute. UPMC Children's is nationally ranked for cardiology and heart surgery. Doctors at the hospital have treated over 17,000 patients for congenital heart disease and performed more than 450 pediatric organ transplants.
KDKA NEWS	6/6/23	4:00P	:45	Scientists say the age of patients with colorectal cancer is getting younger. By 2030, it's estimated to be the leading cause of cancer deaths in Americans aged 20-49. Scientists are trying to figure out why. One study points to diet and environmental exposure as possible reasons.
KDKA NEWS	6/8/23	6:00P 7:00P	2:15	With several cancer treatment drugs in short supply, local hospitals are working on contingency plans and trying to keep patients safe at the same time. The drugs in low supply as of June were cisplatin, carboplatin, methotrexate and docetaxel. Local doctors say alternatives include increased production of the drugs domestically, allowing more foreign-made drugs into the country, even extending expiration dates.

KDKA NEWS	6/22/23	5:00A 12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P	:30	Some Pennsylvania state senators want to see the rules reduced to allow more people access to medical marijuana. The legislation would eliminate the state's qualifying list of ailments under which a doctor can write a prescription. Instead, doctors would be able to prescribe medical marijuana for any condition.
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Issue 2 - Government & Politics: Examining issues related to local, state, and national government bodies and elections that are of importance to local viewers.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/8/23	6:00P	3:20	Following a long search for a new police chief for the city of Pittsburgh, Investigative Reporter Andy Sheehan learned a former Boise, Idaho police chief is the lead candidate. However, some city council members were concerned about his past that included his resignation following a series of complaints. Mayor Gainey would only say an announcement would be made in two weeks.
KDKA NEWS	4/18/23	4:30A 5:00A 6:00A	:20	With a wide field of candidates running for Allegheny County Executive, they faced off in several town halls and debates including in April. There were seven candidates on the ballot. The debate on April 18 was hosted by Next Pittsburgh and Public Source.
KDKA NEWS	5/2/23	6:00P 11:00P	2:15	Senator John Fetterman opened up to KDKA Political Editor John Delano in an exclusive interview since the senator was treated for depression. He said he is mentally and physically fit to serve as senator. He attributes his depression to his stroke in 2022 and the hard-fought campaign for the senate seat.

KDKA NEWS	5/16/23	ALL SHOWS	VARIOUS	KDKA/WPCW had extensive coverage of Primary Election Day in Pennsylvania when voters chose nominees for local, county and statewide offices. Coverage was delivered on air and streaming on CBS News Pittsburgh. One of the most watched races was for Allegheny County District Attorney and Allegheny County Executive.
KDKA NEWS	5/17/23	4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	:50	Governor Josh Shapiro made a stop in Westmoreland County in May to discuss his proposed budget investment in mental health resources. He joined a roundtable discussion at Hempfield Area High School about the rising number of students reporting symptoms of depression. Shapiro is proposing investing \$500 million over five years in mental health support in schools.
KDKA NEWS	6/7/23	5:00A 6:00A 12:00P 5:00P 7:00P	2:40	Allegheny County Council voted to raise the minimum wage for county employees to \$20 per hour. The bill would need the approval of County Executive Rich Fitzgerald to take effect. However, there were enough votes for the measure to override a veto.
KDKA NEWS	6/13/23	6:00P	:30	Following the vote by the Allegheny County Council to raise minimum wage for county employees to \$20 per hour, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald vetoed the plan. He said it violated the county's home rule charter and attempted to take power away from the executive branch. Council would need a two-thirds majority vote to override the veto.
KDKA NEWS	6/21/23	6:00A 12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	2:10	Following the back and forth over the plan to raise the minimum wage for county employees to \$20 an hour, and the veto of the plan by the County Executive, the county council voted to override the veto. However, County Executive Rich Fitzgerald said he doesn't believe the council has the power to increase the minimum wage. He is considering fighting the action in court.

Issue 3 – Education: Examining issues related to education and its impact in Pittsburgh, Western Pennsylvania and across the Commonwealth.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/7/23	4:30A 6:00A 5:00P 11:00P	1:15	The Pittsburgh Public School District filed a lawsuit against social media companies. The district said the use of social media is creating mental health challenges for students. Facebook, Snapchat, TikTok, Instagram and YouTube are named in the lawsuit which said the companies placed profit over the safety of students.
KDKA NEWS	4/25/23	12:00P 5:00P 6:00P	2:25	Pittsburgh Public Schools received a \$500,000 grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. The district wants to use it to help make schools safer. However, the teacher's union wanted the police training added for safety. The school board amended the grant to only pay for security personnel training.
KDKA NEWS	4/29/23	5:00A 6:00A 10:00A	:20	Following several schools being targeted with hoax emergency calls, and police departments responding, legislation has been introduced in Harrisburg to increase the punishment for the perpetrators. Several police departments received bogus active shooter reports at schools, including around Pittsburgh. Authorities say the cost for a massive police response can cost thousands of dollars.
KDKA NEWS	5/12/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 7:00P	:50	Western Pennsylvania teachers enjoyed gifts and special guests for Teacher's Appreciation Week. That included a visit from Pennsylvania Lt. Gov. Austin Davis for teachers at Shady Lane School in Point Breeze North. He held a roundtable discussion about early childhood education. The governor's budget is expected to include \$30 million to increase pre-K funding.
KDKA NEWS	5/16/23	5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	2:30	Pennsylvania does not get a good grade when it comes to attending college. U.S. News and World Report ranked the commonwealth worst in the nation. The cost to attend college in Pennsylvania is higher than nearly every state. PA ranks 47th for college costs and 48th loan debt.

KDKA NEWS	5/24/23	4:00P 6:00P 7:00P	2:35	The Norwin School Board decided to eliminate multiple teachers as a way to close a multi-million dollar funding gap without raising taxes. Positions cut included two kindergarten positions, a principal for the online academy, gifted education teaching position, music teacher and consumer science teacher. The district said all of the roles will be eliminated through attrition. Some parents are worried about the impact the cuts will have on the quality of education their kids receive. The school board needed to slash \$4 million in spending.
KDKA NEWS	6/5/23	5:00A 6:00P	:20	A tuition increase was announced at the Community College of Allegheny County. The increase is three percent for full-time students starting in the 23-24 school year. In-county students will pay an additional \$60 per semester. Out-of-county students will pay an extra \$120 per semester.
KDKA NEWS	6/5/23	6:00P	:20	Two private colleges in the region are adding nursing programs to their offering. Saint Vincent College and Washington & Jefferson will offer a Bachelor of Science in nursing program starting in the fall of 2024. The additional course offerings come at a time when the country is facing a shortage of nurses.
KDKA NEWS	6/29/23	6:00A 12:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	:25	The Pittsburgh Public School Board voted on a major change for the 2023-24 school year. The board agreed to change start times. All high schools are pushed back 25 minutes to start at 7:40. Start times for middle and elementary schools were also impacted.

Issue 4 – Crime and Public Safety: Examining issues related to Crime and Public Safety in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/6/23	5:00P 6:00P	1:45	Following the rape and strangulation death of a 76 year old woman on a bike trail in Venango County, police made an arrest. Police say the suspect was a registered sex offender and his DNA linked him to the crime. One church in the Oil City community held memorial walk in her honor and pledged to make the bike trail a place of hope and safety.
KDKA NEWS	4/25/23	6:00P 11:00P	2:30	For two years, Allegheny County has been without a juvenile detention center since the Shuman Center closed. In April, KDKA Reporter Jen Borrasso talked with members of the Allegheny County Council after their tour of the shuttered facility. They noted the need for structural and physical work, water leaks and chipping paint.
KDKA NEWS	4/28/23	4:30A 6:00A 12:00P 11:00P	2:30	A popular shopping area was disrupted by gunfire in the early morning hours in April. Pittsburgh police say two people arrived at a hospital with gunshot wounds. Their injuries weren't believed to be life-threatening. However, it was disruptive to an area in the city known for shopping and eateries. Some patrons said despite the shooting, they believe the strip district remains a safe place.
KDKA NEWS	5/23/23	5:00A 6:00A 12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	1:00	Pittsburgh's new police chief was approved by city council in late May. The vote was unanimous. Sciroto spent the majority of his time with Pittsburgh Bureau of Police. He retired as an assistant chief in 2018. He was the chief of Ft. Lauderdale Police for less than a year after a fallout over his diversity hiring initiative. Sciroto becomes the city's first openly gay police chief. He said he wants to boost morale within the department and curb violent crime.

KDKA NEWS	5/24/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	4:20	A shooting before the start of school outside Oliver Citywide Academy on Pittsburgh's Northside left one student dead and one student in police custody in late May. It was the second time in less than two years a student was killed outside the school. The school was also the scene of an assault of a staff member by a teacher. Counselors and resources were available for the students and staff. The students learned remotely for more than a week after the shooting.
KDKA NEWS	5/27/23	6:00	2:50	Pennsylvania House lawmakers took major steps toward gun reform with bipartisan votes in favor of two out of three bills. Democratic representatives with help from suburban Republican representatives from Pittsburgh and Philadelphia pushed the two measures through. One bill requires background checks for all gun sales and transfers. The other so-called "red flag" law passed the House as well. The bills will need to pass the Pennsylvania Senate to move to the governor's desk.
KDKA NEWS	6/2/23	11:00P	1:50	June was National Gun Violence Awareness Month. Local organizations around Pittsburgh gathered to call for action against gun violence. Speakers included Jonathan Perlman, Rabbi of the New Light Congregation. He was a survivor of the mass synagogue shooting in 2018. He said the violence is taking it's toll. Mayor Ed Gainey and Pennsylvania Lieutenant Governor Austin Davis were also there to advocate for safety.
KDKA NEWS	6/20/23	4:00P 7:00P	:35	Pittsburgh city council considered expanding a pilot safety program for Pittsburgh Public Schools. The district received nearly \$2 million in a state grant to implement the program at Perry Traditional Academy. The program brings community leaders into the schools as mentors, mediates conflicts and works with student ambassadors to take on leadership roles. School officials say the program has increased student attendance and reduced conflicts at the school.

KDKA NEWS	6/22/23	4:00P 5:00P 6:00P	2:10	Following the shooting deaths of two people in Uniontown in the last month, the community formed a coalition to address the growing gun violence. One hundred community members met with state and local leaders to develop a plan to work on bringing back neighborhood watch, ask local leaders and police for more patrols and other safety measures.
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Issue 5 – Business and Economy: Examining issues impacting Business and Economy in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/3/23	5:00P 6:00P	2:30	According to a Pittsburgh coalition of business and labor organizations, Allegheny County has lost more jobs than any other county in Pennsylvania over the last five years. Business editor Jon Delano spoke to the executive director of Pittsburgh Works Together, which authored the report. It said the losses have been about 50,000 jobs based on state and federal statistics. The report also said while Allegheny County saw job losses, other major metropolitan areas in the state, like Philadelphia, saw job gains.
KDKA NEWS	4/14/23	6:00P	3:00	Major developers had a meeting with Mayor Gainey to work to get a change to the city's zoning review fees. They said the fees were increased by 1000 percent making them the highest on the nation. The developers said the mayor didn't make any changes immediately but agreed to have an ongoing dialogue. The mayor said the fee increase was put in place to cover costs.
KDKA NEWS	4/27/23	12:00P 4:00P	2:30	The 31st Street Studios in Pittsburgh's Strip District has been home to lots of major Hollywood film shoots. But a proposal could change the space into a mixed-use development of apartments, parking, retail and restaurants. Pittsburgh Film Office officials say the studios would be missed if the project moves forward, but Pittsburgh and southwestern Pennsylvania will remain a location for big movie productions.

KDKA NEWS	5/2/23	4:00P 6:00P	2:00	Pittsburgh-based grocery store chain Giant Eagle is looking to bring back customers. The company recently had a shift in leadership. New CEO Bill Artman rolled out a series of discount prices in May. The plan involves locking prices on 800 items for the summer. They include seasonal items like hamburgers, hot dogs and buns.
KDKA NEWS	5/4/23	6:00P	:20	Bank of America is expanding its footprint in Pittsburgh. The bank is adding three more branches in the area: Waterworks Mall, Fox Chapel and Sewickley. Those additions bring the number of branches in the area to 16.
KDKA NEWS	5/30/23	7:00P 11:00P	:30	The Giant Eagle store in West Newton is closing its doors. The independent owners announced plan to retire at the end of June. The store has been there since 1988. The next closest Giant Eagle store will be in Belle Vernon, which is about 17 minutes away.
KDKA NEWS	6/13/23	12:00P 5:00P 600P	1:55	Following the announcement in May that the West Newton Giant Eagle would close, the decision was reversed. The West Newton mayor sent a letter to Giant Eagle expressing the impact the store closure would have on the community. The store will stay in business under corporate management until the end of the current lease in December 2024, or until another operator takes over the store.
KDKA NEWS	6/15/23	5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	2:20	Pittsburgh hosted several major concerts and events in June, including the Taylor Swift concert. From restaurants, bars, hotels and other entities, the two-show weekend was expected to generate millions of dollars for the local economy.
KDKA NEWS	6/22/23	4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	:20	Highmark announced the layoff of about one hundred workers in June. The company-wide reductions also impact Allegheny Health Network and Blue Cross Blue Shield. This is the second group of layoffs this year.

Issue 6 – Diversity: Examining issues impacting diverse communities in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/24/23	4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	2:10	More than four years after the mass shooting inside a Pittsburgh synagogue, state lawmakers are pushing to strengthen Pennsylvania's hate crime laws. Several family members of those killed traveled to Harrisburg in support of the bill introduced by two Pittsburgh area lawmakers.
KDKA NEWS	4/24/23	ALL SHOWS	3:15	After more than four years, jury selection got underway in the federal trial of Robert Bowers. He's accused of killing 11 people from three Pittsburgh congregations inside a Jewish Synagogue on October 27, 2018. If convicted, he could face the death penalty. The jury selection was expected to take three weeks.
KDKA NEWS	5/19/23	6:00	2:30	In recognition of AAPI Heritage Month, KDKA's Falicia Woody featured Pittsburgh-area Asian American business owners who are managing to live the American dream. Xiaoyan Zhang is a Chinese immigrant to attend the University of Pittsburgh and started nationwide data collection company. Maximilian Blume talked about the experience of opening a popular Filipino restaurant. Edward Lai used his culinary skills to open a Korean restaurant in downtown Pittsburgh.
KDKA NEWS	5/31/23	6:00P 7:00P	3:25	In celebration of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, KDKA featured Jasmine Cho. She turned her cookie baking business into activism. She bakes portrait cookies which are images of notable Asian Americans as a way of telling the stories of contributions Asian Americans have made in the US.
KDKA NEWS	6/3/23	5:30A 6:00A 10:00A 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	:40	Pride Month kicked off in Pittsburgh in June with several activities including a parade and march attended by Gov. Josh Shapiro and Lt. Gov. Austin Davis. This year marked the 50th anniversary of the Pride Parade and March in Pittsburgh. The weekend also included several days of concerts and festivals around the city.

KDKA NEWS	6/19/23	5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	1:45	Pittsburgh hosted a weekend of Juneteenth activities at two locations downtown which included vendors, concerts and a parade. Events were also held in other nearby communities. This year the event downtown also included fireworks and interactive art displays from local Black visual artists at PNC Park during the Pittsburgh Pirates game.
KDKA NEWS	6/20/23	12:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	1:50	Tuskegee Airman Lt. Col. James H. Harvey was the grand marshal of the Juneteenth Parade in Pittsburgh. KDKA's Ross Guidotti talked to him outside a special display at the Pittsburgh International Airport that is dedicated to his old unit. Harvey was pilot during World War II and Korea where he earned the distinguished flying cross after saving Americans surrounded by enemy troops. He's 99 years old.

Issue 7 – Science & Technology: Examining issues impacting science and technology in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/4/23	4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P	2:30	As the baseball season got underway, the Pittsburgh Pirates announced some changes at PNC park ahead of opening day. One change was the unveiling of the new Evolv technology which is a new checkpoint system that scans people as they enter without them stopping to empty pockets. If a weapon is detected, the machine changes from green to red and the person is checked by security.
KDKA NEWS	4/21/23	5:00A 6:00A 12:00P 6:00P	1:35	With all signs pointing to a busy summer for travel, the Pittsburgh International Airport entered into a five-year agreement with CLEAR. The application's biometric ID technology will verify passenger identification at a kiosk with eye or finger checks. The airport also added two electric shuttle busses to the fleet along with rapid charging stations for vehicles. Some of that is paid for with more than \$1.4 million from the FAA.

KDKA NEWS	5/19/23	4:00P 7:00P	:30	The Carnegie Science Center allocated hours in May for visitor who are sensitive to lights and sound. They adjusted the lighting and sound effects and provided special activities. They also provided quiet spaces for breaks, sensory backpacks, weighted vests and blankets for visitors to borrow if needed.
KDKA NEWS	5/24/23	6:00P	3:15	KDKA's Chris Hoffman reported on the opening of the Midland Innovation and Technology Charter School in Beaver County. The school offers an expanded variety of courses that include forensics, logistics, even drone piloting. The school also offers dual credit with the Community College of Beaver County.
KDKA NEWS	5/30/23	6:00P	3:00	In our On the Dot series from the CBS Innovation Lab, Correspondent David Schechter looked at the upcoming hurricane season and the connection it has to climate change. Scientists can't say if there will be more hurricanes in the future. However, they do believe hurricanes are getting stronger because the ocean is warmer. Experts also said the sea levels are higher which means the storm surge is more destructive and more deadly.
KDKA NEWS	6/1/23	5:00P 6:00P	:50	The Keystone Space Collaborative announced in June that it is creating a Space and Defense Innovation District. The collaborative plans to work on bringing space industry businesses and talent to the region. It will work with Astrobotic to create the innovation district.
KDKA NEWS	6/2/23	4:00P 6:00P	:40	Congresswoman Summer Lee visited Pittsburgh in June along with NASA Deputy Administrator Pam Melroy. They took a "space tour" that included a visit to the Environmental Charter Middle school robotics classroom. They also attended the Second Annual Keystone Space Collaborative Conference at Station Square.

Issue 8 – Veterans: Examining issues impacting veteran communities in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/12/23	5:00A	:25	The state issued an alert to veterans to be on the lookout for "pension poachers." The Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs said the scammers often target veterans who are 65 or older or disabled who received monthly government pension payments. The state recommended veterans only use accredited veteran service officers when they apply for benefits.
KDKA NEWS	4/17/23	6:00A 12:00P	:20	The Butler VA spent a week in April honoring volunteers. More than 100 people volunteer their time to help serve local veterans in the Butler community. Across the entire VA health system in the country, there are more than 22,000 volunteers.
KDKA NEWS	5/26/23	6:00P 7:00P	:20	The McKeesport Post Office was named in honor of an Army veteran from Braddock. Leonard Alfred Funk served on D-day with the 82nd Airborne Division and landed at Normandy. He earned three purple hearts, a silver star and a bronze star. He also worked for the VA until 1972. He passed away in 1992.
KDKA NEWS	5/27/23	6:00P 7:00P	1:00	One retired veteran is working to get more people pause on Memorial Day to honor those who have died in wars. Retired Col. Lee Ellis was featured by KDKA's Business Editor Jon Delano during his Sunday Business Page Segment. Ellis said 1.3 million Americans have died in battle since the American Revolution. He said people should take time to remember their sacrifice and offer support to the families of those lost.

KDKA NEWS	5/28/23	7:00A	4:30	For 16 years, a local veteran has held a motorcycle ride fundraiser for unhoused veterans. Thomas Grates comes from a family of soldiers including his father and grandfather. His father managed a VFW fund for veterans without housing and Grates wanted to help as well. He came up with the annual ride through the Alle-Kiski Valley. It's 112 miles with stops at American Legions and VFWs. Up to 1400 riders were expected to participate. Over the years, he's raised over \$350,000. The proceeds are donated to a Pittsburgh area veteran's home.
KDKA NEWS	6/6/23	6:00A 5:00P 6:00P	:20	For the first time Pennsylvania will celebrate Women's Veterans Day in June. A bill to recognize the holiday was signed in 2022. Women's Veterans Day honors the signing of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act which allowed women to permanently serve in the armed forces.
KDKA NEWS	6/15/23	5:00A 6:00A	:20	The organization Pittsburgh Hires Veterans held a hiring event in June for veterans and their spouses. The event was held at the Coraopolis VFW and included information on job searching techniques, updating resumes, improving interviewing skills and more.
KDKA NEWS	6/17/23	6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	:30	A local veteran's home said a fire on its shuttle bus in June was arson. Shephard's Heart Fellowship owns the shuttle. The group said the fire destroyed the shuttle and damaged offices in its building where veterans receive rehabilitation. Police said the fire is suspicious and under investigation.

Issue 9 – Infrastructure: Examining issues impacting infrastructure in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
KDKA NEWS	4/8/23	6:00A 10:00A	:35	The spring construction season opened with more than \$329 million worth of projects in Allegheny, Beaver and Lawrence Counties. It covered 825 miles of paving or road maintenance, 38 bridges repaired or replaced. Major projects on the list include the Route 28 Highland Park Interchange, the I-79 Neville Island Bridge rehab project and the New Kensington Bridge Preservation Project.
KDKA NEWS	4/25/23	6:00A 12:00P	:20	As preliminary work continues on a proposed new segment of the Three Rivers Heritage Trail connecting Tarentum and East Deer along the Allegheny River, residents had a chance to offer their opinions on the proposal during an open house with a presentation of the proposed project. The five-mile path from Dreshar Stadium, past Pittsburgh Brewing to the New Kensington Bridge would cost approximately \$4.4 million.
KDKA NEWS	5/10/23	5:00A 6:00A 12:00P 5:00P 7:00P	2:15	The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority filed a request for a rate hike with the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission. The proposed increase raise rates nearly 70 percent over three years. The money would be used for infrastructure improvements.
KDKA NEWS	5/11/23	12:00P 4:00p 5:00P	2:25	A late night train derailment in New Castle, PA, north of Pittsburgh caused a large response and concern from local emergency personnel. Nine Norfolk Southern rail cars derailed. Some of them were on the bridge across the Mahoning River. Officials determined that no hazardous cargo was on the train. However, booms were placed in the Mahoning River in case there's a hydraulic or fuel leak. The derailment also cut off a main artery for heavy truck traffic.

KDKA NEWS	5/31/23	4:30A 5:00A 6:00A 12:00P 4:00P 5:00P	:25	The Charles Anderson Memorial Bridge is closed but residents had a chance to get an update on the progress to re-open it during a meeting in May. The bridge is part of a major thoroughfare that carries the Boulevard of the Allies into Schenley Park from South Oakland. The meeting was held by the Greenfield Community Association and the Oakland Planning and Development Corporation.
KDKA NEWS	6/5/23	12:00P 5:00P 6:00P	:20	Millions in federal dollars will be used to fix dangerous intersections where trains and cars meet. The Transportation Department will spend \$570 million on 34 projects to either replace, improve or study grade crossings. Federal leaders believe the improvements will reduce car-train collisions and deaths.
KDKA NEWS	6/9/23	4:00P 5:00P 6:00P	:20	The Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority will receive a \$52 million loan from the EPA. The money will be used to revitalize the city's aging drinking water infrastructure. The mayor said the funding will be crucial to providing clean, safe and reliable water for the community.
KDKA NEWS	6/22/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	1:50	The NTSB held an investigative hearing in East Palestine, Ohio in June to focus on what went wrong during February's Norfolk Southern train derailment. KDKA's Erika Stanish reported on the questions asked by federal investigators to first responders. Investigators wanted to know who gave the one-mile evacuation order. There was also testimony about communication breakdowns between the train conductor and crews on the ground.

Issue 10 – Environment: Examining issues involving environmental impact in Pittsburgh, Allegheny County and surrounding areas.

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KDKA NEWS	4/17/23	6:00P 7:00P	1:40	KDKA had a series of stories leading up to Earth Day about climate and the environment. This one focused on the unusually warm winter last year. First Alert Meteorologist Ron Smiley reported that it was the 8th warmest winter season on record with the 12th lowest snow amount. He said the reason was most likely a powerful ridge of high pressure off the east coast called a Bermuda-Azores High which held off the cold arctic air from moving south. However, regular cold and snowy winters are expected to return.
KDKA NEWS	4/26/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P	2:30	A study by University of Pittsburgh researchers set out to determine where train derailments happen and what they threaten. The study found that between 2011 and 2022, 80 percent railway accidents in southwest Pennsylvania happen within 300 yards of a major river. In addition, the research found that 22 percent of all accidents involve hazmat cargo. The researchers pointed out that the accidents create potential risks for air, water and aquatic life.
KDKA NEWS	5/9/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 7:00P	2:00	A report issued in May by the PennEnvironment Research and Policy Center names the worst climate polluters in 2021. They called their list the "Dirty Dozen." The organization said the 12 facilities account for one-fifth of the climate pollution in the state. They said half of the companies named on the list were from southwestern PA. The report said the Keystone Generating Station in Armstrong County was the worst polluter in the state.

KDKA NEWS	5/11/23	7:00P 11:00P	:35	After weeks of flares, odors and flashing lights from the Shell Ethane Cracker Plant in Beaver County, two environmental groups filed a lawsuit. The Environmental Integrity Project and the Clean Air Council took legal action and are calling for strict penalties. They say the gases released by the plant are associated with global warming. Shell voluntarily stopped operations temporarily in April to address the flaring problems. Company officials expect the closure to last through the year.
KDKA NEWS	5/15/23	5:00A 5:00P 7:00P	2:00	Thousands of residents in the Mon Valley sued US Steel after a fire at the Clairton Coke Works in 2018. In May a judge ruled that the case can move forward. More than 123,000 residents are part of the lawsuit. According to their attorney some experienced sore throats, watery eyes and trouble breathing. Residents from 22 communities are party to the lawsuit. In a statement, US Steel did not comment on the judge's order. But, the company said it remains committed to the safety of employees and communities.
KDKA NEWS	5/24/23	4:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	:40	In May, Shell agreed to pay Pennsylvania \$10 million after admitting it violated air pollution limits at the Cracker Plant in Beaver County. The company has also entered into a consent agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The company will make repairs to reduce future emissions. Production resumed at the plant.
KDKA NEWS	6/7/23	12:00P 4:00P 5:00P 6:00P 7:00P 11:00P	2:15	Smoke from the Canadian wildfires pushed the air quality around Pittsburgh into a Code Red level. The smoky, hazy air created a haze across the region and led to some medical professional to recommend most people stay indoors if possible.

KDKA NEWS	6/8/23	6:00A 4:00P 6:00P	2:10	<p>The Pennsylvania Turnpike is looking to do away with paper towels in restrooms at service plazas. It's part of their drive to become the first sustainable superhighway by 2040. Officials believe using blowers instead of paper towels will reduce litter and provide other environmental benefits. Not everyone likes the idea. KDKA's John Shumway talked to a turnpike driver who needs towels. The turnpike says the full towel-less transition should be completed in a few months.</p>
KDKA NEWS	6/29/23	6:00P 11:00P	2:00	<p>Heavier smoke returned to the Pittsburgh region later in June pushing the area into a Code Purple air quality alert. That led to closures, cancellations and postponements of several activities in the area, like city pools. City rec centers offered extended hours.</p>