



QUARTERLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY ISSUES AND

NEEDS AND RESPONSIVE PROGRAMS

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KPRC 2

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DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES

<u>KPRC 2 News Today at 4:30AM, Monday through Friday, 4:30AM - 7:00AM</u> Owen Conflenti, Lisa Hernandez, Anavid Reyes This program covers the latest overnight news, weather and traffic.

<u>KPRC 2 News Midday, Monday through Friday, 11:00AM - 12:00PM</u> Andy Cerota, Lisa Hernandez, Anthony Yanez This hour-long program covers the latest news, weather, and family-oriented community events.

<u>KPRC 2 News 12:00PM, Monday through Friday, 12:00PM – 12:30PM</u> Andy Cerota, Christine Noel, Anthony Yanez This program covers the latest news and weather.

<u>KPRC 2 News 4PM, Monday through Friday, 4:00PM - 5:00PM</u> Keith Garvin, Christine Noel, Frank Billingsley This program covers the latest news, weather and health reports.

<u>KPRC 2 News 5PM, Monday through Friday, 5:00PM – 5:30</u> Kris Gutierrez, Lauren Freeman, Frank Billingsley, Randy McIlvoy This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

<u>KPRC 2 News 6PM, Monday through Friday, 6:00PM – 6:30PM</u> Kris Gutierrez, Dominique Sachse, Frank Billingsley, Randy McIlvoy This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

<u>KPRC 2 News 10PM, Monday through Friday, 10:00PM – 10:30PM</u> Kris Gutierrez, Dominique Sachse, Frank Billingsley, Randy McIlvoy This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

<u>KPRC 2 News Today, Saturday, 6:00AM – 7:00AM / 9:00AM – 10:00AM</u> Sofia Ojeda, Sabirah Rayford, Khambrel Marshall This program covers the latest news and weather reports.

<u>KPRC 2 News 6PM, Saturday, 6:00PM – 6:30PM and 10:00PM – 10:30PM</u> Syan Rhodes, Jonathan Martinez, Justin Stapleton, Ari Alexander This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

<u>KPRC 2 News Today, Sunday, 6:00AM – 7:00AM / 8:00AM – 9:00AM</u> Sofia Ojeda, Sabirah Rayford, Khambrel Marshall This program covers the latest news and weather reports. <u>KPRC 2 News at 5PM, Sunday, 5:00PM – 5:30PM and 10:00PM – 10:30PM</u> Syan Rhodes, Jonathan Martinez, Justin Stapleton, Randy McIlvoy This program covers the latest news, weather and sports reports.

Public Service Announcements and Campaigns

Public Service Announcements (PSA's) generally vary in length from ten seconds to thirty seconds each and, unless otherwise indicated, appear throughout KPRC2's broadcast schedule including primetime.

In the third quarter, the station produced and broadcasted PSAs promoting Voices of Houston, Breast Cancer Awareness, Houston Heart Walk, No Shave November

Voices of Houston - All year round, KPRC 2 will celebrate and spotlight people in and around the Greater Houston area from all different backgrounds who are making a difference in our community. Our goal is to give voices to the unsung heroes who make us proud to call this city home. Viewers can nominate themselves or someone they know on this page:

https://www.click2houston.com/features/2020/09/14/nominate-a-houstonian-to-be-featuredin-our-voices-of-houston-series/

October Breast Cancer Awareness

Women/ Health/ City

Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, an annual race that fundraises for breast cancer research, will be held on Saturday, Oct. 2 in Houston. After going virtual last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Race for the Cure will resume in person this year downtown at Sam Houston Park. An opening ceremony will kick things off at 7:45am followed by staggered start times beginning at 8am. For those who prefer to stay socially distanced, a virtual opening ceremony will be held at 9am.

Houston Heart Walk

Health/ Education

Get ready for the Houston Heart Walk! Saturday, November 13, on the University of Houston's main campus. Together, we can boost your heart-healthy lifestyle! Join KPRC 2 and the American Heart Association as we come to celebrate the Heart Walk you all know and love while following community safety guidelines. The health and well-being of everyone, in every community, is our priority. Help us prevent heart disease and stroke right here in Houston! Visit Houstonheartwalk.org to register today!

No Shave November

Health/ Education

Today not only marks the end of the month, it marks the end of epic beard growth for several of the guys around here at KPRC 2. About eight of us took part in No Shave November to raise cancer awareness among men and we had a photo shoot today to celebrate all that manliness. Kris Gutierrez, Owen Conflenti, Robert Arnold, Deven Clarke, Ari Alexander, Justin Stapleton and myself were seven of the eight who agreed to not shave for the month of November. Bill Barajas was also in on the fun. It was a lot of fun but No Shave November was created to evoke serious conversation and raise cancer awareness among men. No Shave November has actually been a tradition for a few

decades but saw a resurgence in participants starting around 2009. Not all of us are proactive when it comes to our health.

Locally Produced Programs

Sports Sunday, 10:30pm – 11:00pm

Community/ Culture Randy McIlvoy, Ari Alexander, Vanessa Richardson This program covers the latest in sports news.

Houston Life, Monday - Friday, 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Community/ Culture/ Environment/ Health Derrick Shore, Courtney Zavala An hour-long lifestyle show that will showcase what makes America's fourth largest city a great place to live, work and play.

Houston Newsmakers, Sunday, 10:30am – 11:00am

Politics/ City/ Health/ Education/ Minorities Khambrel Marshall interviews guests about trending topics in Houston.

Something Good, Saturday, 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Community/ City

News can be serious, and times can be tough, but that's when people band together and uplift in ways never thought possible. Come see that part of the story in, 'Something Good.' As we navigate these tricky times it can be easy to lose sight of the goodness in people, but it's there. 'Something Good' is a show to highlight those moments. The ones that make you smile, feel good and applaud humanity.

Friday Football Frenzy, Friday, 10:20pm – 11:00pm

Culture/ Youth September – December The 16th season of Friday Football Frenzy airs Friday nights at 10:20pm here on KPRC 2 News.

Texans Game Day with David Culley, Sunday mornings, 8:30am – 9:00am

Culture/ Community/ Family Randy McIlvoy hosts Texans Game Day with Houston Texans coach David Culley.

KPRC 2 Holiday Lights Spectacular, Saturday, November 27, 7:00pm – 8:00pm

Culture/ Community/ Family

The holiday season is here and KPRC 2 is covering the biggest attractions in our Holiday Lights Spectacular. Our Keith Garvin and Rose-Ann Aragon will be live from Moody Gardens and our Owen Conflenti and Sabirah Rayford will be at the Houston Zoo with sights on the best holiday exhibits. It airs this Saturday at 7pm.

KPRC 2 Houston's American Jewish Committee Presents: America's Table, Saturday, November 27, 8:00pm – 9:00pm

Culture/ Community/ Family

Keith Garvin and Christine Noel host a celebration of the city's diversity and what unites us. Local community leaders will share their family's immigration stories. It airs, at 8pm right here on KPRC 2.

Houston Life – Special Edition "Tis Island Time", Saturday, December 11, 7:00pm – 8:00pm Family/ Culture

Houston Life is celebrating the holiday season down in Galveston. From special events the family can enjoy to shopping and the area's rich history tonight at 7:00pm.

• <u>KPRC 2 gave significant coverage to the following community issues and concerns</u> <u>during the 4th guarter of 2021:</u>

YES Prep School Shooting

Youth/ Crime/ Safety Air Dates: October 1 - 4

Total Coverage: 55 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

YES Pres Southwest will re-open for students and staff, this after a school shooting that injured the school's principal. We're told there will be emotional support dogs on campus tomorrow along with dozens of counselors. There will also be an officer stationed on campus. Students and staff across YES Preps' 23 schools plan to wear green, to show their support for students and the southwest community. Dexter Kelsey, a former YES Prep student, is accused of shooting and injuring principal Eric Espinoza. According to court documents he was not the intended target. A judge said he was targeting a staff member he had a grudge with since 2015.

Houston Women's March

Legal/ City/ Government Air Dates: October 2, 3 Total Coverage: 8 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am Here in Houston, people gathered at Discovery Green and marched to City Hall, in a show of support for a woman's right to choose. Senate bill 8 is the controversial bill governor Greg Abbott signed into law banning abortions once a fetal heartbeat is detected. Protesters say the bill is an attack on women's health.

James Harris Innocence

Legal/ Government Air Dates: October 4, 5 Total Coverage: 25 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm After years of fighting to get his name cleared, James Harris can finally declare a victory. Harris was sentenced to 25 years in prison for a crime that he said he did not commit. Now the Texas Criminal Court of Appeals has finally heard his case and exonerated him. In June 2009 a Houston police officer accused Harris of running out of a drug house in northeast Houston. Harris served four years, then made parole. Since then, he's worked to clear his name. There was no DNA link on the evidence used to convict Harris and the actual suspect has been identified. Also, the Houston police officer who identified Harris later testified in 2019 that he could have been wrong.

Cluster Mailboxes

City/ Consumer Air Dates: October 4, 6, 9 Total Coverage: 12 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 8am and 9am

Millions of Americans collect their mail from cluster mailboxes. These are multiple boxes installed in one spot in an apartment complex or neighborhood to make delivery and pick-up convenient for both the mail carriers and the customers. But what happens when they're broken? KPRC 2 Investigates Amy Davis is looking into who foots the bill.

Blue Origin Flight

Culture/ Environment/ Educational Air Dates: October 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14

Total Coverage: 1 hour, 30 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

From Captain Kirk to rocket man, in just a few hours, actor William Shatner will follow in the footsteps of his most famous character and head into space. The Blue Origin mission is scheduled to launch this morning at 9:30. At age 90, Shatner will become the oldest person in space. He's one of four crew members on the mission. The flight's expected to last less than 15 minutes. You can catch the whole thing right here on KPRC 2 with an NBC news special report starting around half an hour before launch time and lasting until the crew is back on earth.

Eight Dead Falling Oaks

Legal/ Crime Air Dates: October 5 - 8 Total Coverage: 46 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm The man accused of killing eight family members in their Northwest Harris County home is now on trial. Opening statements getting underway six years after those killings that baunted the community

trial. Opening statements getting underway six years after those killings that haunted the community. David Conley is charged with multiple counts of capital murder. Investigators accuse him of killing exgirlfriend Valerie Jackson, her husband Dwayne, and their six children in August of 2015.

Crosby ISD Racist Graffiti

Youth/ Crime/ Safety Air Dates: October 6, 7 Total Coverage: 8 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am - 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 10pm

Hate filled messages, now at the center of an investigation in Crosby ISD. Parents we spoke to say they're concerned after a restroom was vandalized at Crosby High School. Those racist messages read "whites only" and "pick my cotton". Crosby ISD sent out a message to parents saying in part: everything about this incident goes against what Crosby ISD stands for. This could likely be part of a wider trend on social media encouraging teenagers to vandalize school bathrooms. Regardless, destruction of school property is illegal.

Governor Abbott Prohibiting Vaccine Mandates

Government/ Health Air Dates: October 11, 12 Total Coverage: 5 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 10pm Governor Greg Abbott has banned Covid-19 vaccine mandates for anyone in the state including private employers. Cities, counties, school districts and government agencies were already banned from requiring the Covid-19 vaccine and now this new executive order takes it a step further. It bans any entity in our state from requiring the vaccine.

Texas Commission o Environmental Quality Harvey Monitoring

Environment/ Health/ City Air Dates: October 13, 14, 17 Total Coverage: 11 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 10am Their mission statement says their goal is clean air, but is the Texas Commission on Environmental

Their mission statement says their goal is clean air, but is the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, our state's version of the EPA, really living up to that goal? KPRC 2 Investigates has found a policy in place that doesn't seem to jive and is not in line with how some other states do things. our Joel Eisenbaum clears the air tonight.

Healthcare Worker Theft

Aging/ Health/ Crime/ Safety Air Dates: October 18, 19 Total Coverage: 6 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 10pm a Houston area woman who worked as a nurse and is accused of stealing from a couple in their 80's is on the run. And we've learned she has a long criminal history. 30 year old, Brittany Nicole Kelly is accused of stealing the identities of the couple from June 2019 to June 2020 while working as a caretaker for Right at Home in home care. Overall, law enforcement officials say she stole more than \$70,000.00. This past July, Kelly was charged with two felony thefts including fraudulent use of identifying information but so far she hasn't been arrested.

Waller County Plane Crash

Safety Air Dates: October 19, 20, 21 Total Coverage: 3 hours Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm A chartered plane carrying 21 people crashed before taking off at Houston Executive Airport in Brookshire on October 21. Everyone on board survived, escaping before the plane burst into flames. Investigators say the plane last flew ten months ago in December 2020. They're looking at wreckage from the scene and they're also watching the video we first showed you yesterday that shows the plane's initial acceleration down the runway and a puff of smoke coming from one of the engines, moments before the pilots aborted takeoff. The plane's mechanic, who was a passenger helped everyone get out by opening a door and deploying the emergency slide.

Children Abandoned Green Crest

Air Dates: October 24 - 30

Total Coverage: 2 hours

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

In late October a horrific case of child abuse came to light involving 4 boys one of whom was killed and his body left decomposing in an abandoned home with his siblings. KPRC tackled the story with team coverage, using our investigative team to dig into criminal records and CPS involvement with the family. The story generated extremely high interest over nearly a week, topping our digital analytics as we created numerous sidebar stories.

Texas Rent Relief

Consumer/ Government Air Dates: October 28, 29 Total Coverage: 10 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm Since February the state of Texas has paid landlords more than one billion dollars for tenants who can't afford to pay rent. But KPRC 2 investigates has received dozens of complaints from people all over the state who say they are waiting weeks and months for promised help. Tonight, KPRC 2 Investigates' Amy Davis explains the most common reasons renters are put on hold and how to get help.

Houston Astros Championship Run

Community/ Culture/ Environment

Air Dates: October 28 - 31

Total Coverage: 1 hour, 20 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

For the 3rd time in 5 years, the Houston Astros made it to the World Series, defeating the Boston Red Sox to punch their ticket to the Fall Classic. KPRC reporters Randy McIlvoy, Keith Garvin and Rose-Ann Aragon traveled with the team from the ALCS all the way through game 6 of the WS, providing in depth sports and fan-based coverage. Other reporters joined the coverage with feature and fan stories to support our coverage and we deployed HITCH to field anchor home games, showcasing our 4pm anchor team.

Dia de los Muertos Festival

Culture/ City/ Community/ Minorities

Air Dates: October 31, November 1, 4, 5

Total Coverage: 10 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 10pm The annual Dia de los Muertos Festival took place today in Houston's old sixth ward. This is the 21st year of the event hosted by MECA - a Latino based arts and community non-profit group. Dia de los Muertos or Day of the Dead honors the souls of the departed through lively celebrations. The festival includes food, music and dance performances, altar exhibitions and art vendors and children's activities.

911 Callers put on Hold

City/ Safety

Air Dates: November 1, 2, 6, 7 Total Coverage: 12 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am

Now to an emergency nightmare, a parent suffers a heart attack, a child has an allergic reaction, or you've just been in a major accident on a Houston roadway. It's a frightening thought for anyone. Now imagine calling 911 only to get a recording. The Houston emergency center could not provide the number of times recordings have been deployed they don't even keep track of them. The city's call center says their year to date numbers show that nearly 92 percent of all 911 calls have been answered in 15 seconds or less.

Diwali Celebrations

Community/ Culture Air Dates: November 2, 4 Total Coverage: 5 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm The Hindu Festival of Diwali, which symbolizes new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil is being celebrated by millions across the world. The five-day festival of lights is in its third day and Houstonians are taking part in festivities this Diwali Day. A large celebration is underway right now at the Baps Temple in Stafford. The fun continues next week for kids. Baps Houston will host a virtual Diwali celebration for little ones on November 13.

LULAC City Council Seats

Minorities/ Čity Air Dates: November 3, 4 Total Coverage: 9 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm The League of United Latin American Citizens or LULAC is calling for change when it comes to representation in Houston city council members. The organization says their community is underrepresented on the council. The group is now asking the five council member-at-large positions which are elected across the entire city be eliminated and replaced by four new district seats. The group says the Hispanic population in our area has been growing by leaps and bounds but they don't feel like that's reflected on city council.

Jail Death Harris County

Youth/ Safety/ City Air Dates: November 3, 4, 13, 14

Total Coverage:15 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am

A family is looking for answers after a 19-year-old with special needs is left brain dead. Court documents say he was beaten and stabbed inside a jail cell. According to his family's attorney, Fred Harris was booked into jail last month for showing a knife to someone that he was afraid of, at a group home and last Friday he was found unresponsive and severely injured after investigators say he was in a fight.

Astroworld Festival Tragedy

Youth/ Safety/ Crime/ Legal

Air Dates: November 6 - 30

Total Coverage: 3 hours

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

In the early morning hours of November 6 – a tragedy was unfolding at a concert on the grounds of NRG Park. A crowd of over 50,000 people began to surge toward the stage, crushing hundreds of people and leading to the deaths of 10 concertgoers, all under the age of 30.

Mayor Turner Holiday Spectacular

City/ Culture/ Community Air Dates: November 9 Total Coverage: 6 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm Houston is gearing up for the holidays in the most spectacular way. City officials announce the return of Reliant Lights: Mayor's Holiday Spectacular. The annual holiday event returns with live music, food and even a booth for Santa in the gingerbread village. Families will also get to see the official lighting of the holiday tree. Don't forget to bring a toy to support this year's Toys for Tots.

Social Justice Learning Institute

Education/ Youth

Air Dates: November 10

Total Coverage: 4 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4pm

Teaching young people to reach higher and take a stand for themselves and their communities. That's the goal of the urban scholars program, working to make a difference in HISD schools. It's run by the Social Justice Learning Institute which has been working for more than a decade to improve the education, health and well-being of young people and communities of color. This program started over a decade ago in Los Angeles but it's been here in Houston for three years now with a goal of empowering kids through education to change their communities.

Car Chase Central Houston/Shots Fired Pct 4 Station

Crime/ Safety/ City

Air Dates: November 11, 12

Total Coverage: 1 hour 30 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm

On November 11, a man called the KPRC newsroom around 5:30 in the morning to tell our assignment desk he was the man wanted for firing shots into a Precinct 4 substation earlier in the week. KPRC contacted Pct 4 to report the call. Within about 4 hours, deputies located the suspect and began a high-speed pursuit. KPRC was first on the air, overhead the chase, first to report the connection to the Pct 4 shooting and the first news crew on the ground at the end of the chase. Our anchors provided context to the chase, reporting confirmed information before our competition and leading our nearly 1 hour of live coverage on air and online.

Illegal Injection Manslaughter

Women/ Safety/ Education/ Crime Air Dates: November 17, 18 Total Coverage: 12 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm A woman accused of illegally injecting silicone butt injections into a patient who later died is set to appear in court this morning. Forty – seven-year-old Lisa Fernandez appeared in court yesterday where a judge gave her a \$40,000.00 bond. Investigators say back in 2018 Marja McLendon came to Houston from Saint Louis for the procedure. Marja's sister tells us she became ill days later, went in a coma and then died. Harris County prosecutors believe there could be more victims. Fernandez is facing manslaughter charges.

Moody Gardens Festival of Lights

City/ Culture/ Community Air Dates: November 19, 20 Total Coverage: 6 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 10pm Tomorrow Moody Gardens in Galveston will light up for the holiday season in grand style. Guests will get to watch Santa Clause parachute down from the north pole to open the festival of lights trail. There will be live entertainment from 4pm – 6pm. Then Santa will flip the switch at 6pm to officially begin the holiday season and it's all emceed by KPRC 2 morning meteorologist Anthony Yanez who

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will help Santa count down and turn on the lights.

Winter Preparedness Deadline City/ Safety/ Community Air Dates: November 29, 30 Total Coverage: 10 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm

As we get closer to start of winter there's a deadline looming for power companies to be better prepared for the winter weather. This is in response to the deadly winter storm earlier this year.

More than 200 people died across the state and millions lost power and water for days. The deadline to have a plan in place is this Wednesday. The plans must show the companies are prepared to fix critical component failures like the ones that happened in February. Critics say they're concerned about whether the new requirements will actually be enforced.

Youth Baseball Team Christmas Gifts

Community/ Youth/ Family Air Dates: November 30 Total Coverage: 3 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 10pm

A group of young baseball players are doing their part to make the holidays brighter. They adopted children in the community to buy them gifts and cheer them up. This is a group of 10 and 11-year-olds who have been practicing here and playing together for three years now. The parents and coaches are hoping this team can stay together as they get older and they also are hoping to make this gift giving an annual tradition.

Air Monitors Sunnyside Neighborhood

Health/ Community

Air Dates: November 30, December 1

Total Coverage: 5 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 5pm

A neighborhood is taking its' health into its own hands, especially when it comes to the air in their neighborhood. We've seen it time and time again, plant fires, or leaks that lead to concerns about the area's air quality. And now leaders in Sunnyside have installed their own network of air monitors to protect and advocate for their community's health.

Omicron Variant Surge

Health/ City/ Government/ Safety Air Dates: December 1 - 31 Total Coverage: 2 hours Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

The Omicron variant began overtaking the region's Covid19 infections in December, eventually accounting for about 95% of all cases. Haley Hernandez was the lead on our coverage throughout the month, tracking the latest surge, new treatments available and a new vaccine developed by Baylor and TCH – that will be distributed globally.

IAH Sexual Harassment

Crime/ Legal/ City Air Dates: December 1, 2, 3, 8, 15 Total Coverage: 18 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm KPRC 2 Investigates trouble in the Houston airport system. Two weeks ago we exposed claims of sexual harassment and retaliation within airport administration. Today more city council members are putting leadership under a microscope.

World Petroleum Congress

Consumer/ City Air Dates: December 1, 6, 8 Total Coverage: 28 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm

Houston is just days away from hosting a long-awaited oil and gas industry conference. The World Petroleum Congress kicks off on Sunday at the George R. Brown Convention Center. This is the first time the congress has been held in a US city in more than 30 years. The event is making its return to Houston the energy capitol of the world as the industry faces a shift in focus and issues with supply and demand. It's a big "get" for Houston, playing host to the World Petroleum Congress but with such a large event, many have questions about the kind of covid protocols that will be taken.

Medical Records Found

Safety/ Legal Air Dates: December 9, 10 Total Coverage: 8 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 5pm Medical records including private information left in the middle of a southwest Houston neighborhood out in the open. A woman found the documents next to a recycling bin along Barbertown Drive. Some of the records the woman found had private patient and procedure information from a chiropractor's office in downtown Houston dating back to 2013 and 2014. The chiropractor's office is working to figure out how this happened but after 6 years the HIPPA statute expires for patient information in some cases. The Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners said the chiropractor will not face any disciplinary action.

Kentucky Tornadoes

Environment/ Safety Air Dates: December 10, 11, 12, 13

Total Coverage: 48 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

On December 10th, violent tornadoes tore through the Tennessee valley, killing dozens of people in their path. The town of Mayfield, KY was hardest hit. KPRC2 Reporter Bill Barajas traveled to Mayfield where he spent 3 days telling the stories of survival and devastation.

Holiday Shopping Safety

Crime/ Consumer/ City

Air Dates: December 10, 22, 23,

Total Coverage: 12 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 12pm/ KPRC 2 News 4pm 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm

A collaborative effort is coming this holiday season to make sure you stay safe while you're shopping. Houston police will be working with the Harris County sheriff's office, DPS and the constables'. Expect to see more officers in uniform and plain clothes at shopping areas and neighborhoods. Houston's police chief says it's best to shop in groups and make sure you don't leave items in your car. He also had a strong message for the bad guys.

Exxon Mobil Refinery Explosion

Safety/ City Air Dates: December 23, 24, 28, 29 Total Coverage: 35 minutes Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm

In the early morning hours of 12/23 – a large explosion rocked the ExxonMobil refinery in Baytown, injuring 4 people. Morning and dayside crews covered the story and the potential impact on gas prices, as the explosion damaged the 4th largest refinery in the United States.

Holiday Travel Disruptions

Consumer/ Health

Air Dates: December 24 - 31

Total Coverage: 34 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Saturday 6pm and 10pm/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 6am and 8am/ KPRC 2 News Sunday 5pm and 10pm

Omicron cases overwhelming flight crews and airline workers caused thousands of flight cancellations nationwide, hundreds in Houston. Our crews covered the story over several days as travelers suffered through long lines and extended disruptions.

Fake Testing Sites

Legal/ Consumer/ Health

Air Dates: December 28, 29, 30

Total Coverage: 40 minutes

Newscasts: KPRC 2 News 4:30am – 7:00am/ KPRC 2 News 11am/ KPRC 2 News 4pm/ KPRC 2 News 5pm/ KPRC 2 News 6pm/ KPRC 2 News 10pm

As Omicron surged and Houstonians scrambled to testing sites, KPRC2 Reporter Taisha Walker caught wind of a growing number of suspicious pop-up testing sites that were taking people's personal info and not delivering results. She filed multiple reports over a week's time, culminating with an announcement by Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, that she was asking the FBI to investigate possible fraud.