

KCNC-TV

Quarterly Issues/Programs Report
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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 October 1, 2012 – March 31, 2012.

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 hours Monday - Friday 5:00 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 – Brooke Wagner highlights a child waiting to be adopted from the Adoption Exchange.
Duration: One minute and forty-five seconds. Wednesdays, 12:00pm, 4:00pm and 10:00pm newscasts

COLORADO GETAWAYS - Regularly scheduled half-hour show features places to go and things to see throughout Colorado.
Duration: One half hour – Saturday, 6:30pm

ISSUES

EDUCATION FUNDING – Importance of Public Education

CBS4 MORNING - 01/10/12 Three of nine states that took home funds from the U.S. Department of Education's Race to the Top Fund competition are delaying plans to implement reforms. 01/10/12 The Colorado Legacy Foundation's program is dedicated to closing the achievement gap and increasing college readiness in the areas of math and science for all students. 01/16/12 Studies estimate that a third or more of U.S. schools have mold, dust and other air problems that could be making kids sick. 01/17/12 An advocacy group called Students Making a Reliable Tomorrow (SMART) will be protesting crowded classrooms. 01/17/12 The expansion of public pre-kindergarten programs has slowed and even been reversed in some states, as schools deal with shrinking budgets. 01/19/12 Last August many students and teachers were dealing with classroom temperatures in the 90's, which has now prompted parents to deliver a petition with about three thousand signatures to try and get the school start date moved until after labor day. 01/30/12 Antioch College in Yellow Spring, Ohio is giving away college tuition for all students who enroll in the next three years. That's basically a \$106,000 scholarship per student. Those who file financial aid applications will also qualify for free room, board, and books. 01/31/12 College Summit will present Mayor Hancock with an award for being the first in his family to earn a college degree. He will talk about how education changed the course of his life. Leaders hope the event will raise awareness and push for higher college enrollment rates. 02/01/12 More than 10,000 teachers and 1.5 million students are participating in the first ever "National Learning Day" to show how technology can be used to improve student outcomes. The U.S. Secretary of Education and Senator Michael Bennet are also involved in the event. 02/02/12 Students of military veterans will be offered in-state tuition at all of the University of Colorado Schools in the state. 02/02/12 Jefferson County Schools need to cut \$70-million dollars from their budget, over the next two years. 02/02/12 Senate Bill 15 would create a new standard rate of tuition for undocumented students who have attended high school in Colorado for at least three years. 02/08/12 President Obama wants \$80-million dollars in new funding for science and math education. 02/09/12 Colorado has learned it is one of 10 states to be free of the "No Child Left Behind" requirements. 02/09/12 Douglas County School District is making cuts and adding fees in the face of a budget deficit. But now, parents are learning that there's actually a huge surplus of money. 02/16/12 There is a bill in the Colorado Senate that would eliminate zero-tolerance policies in schools. 03/01/12 The Little Kids Rock and Bohemian Foundation donated more than 300 guitars and a grant of nearly \$400,000 to Poudre School District. 03/02/12 Denver Public Schools will kick off National School Breakfast Week to emphasize the importance of eating breakfast every day. 03/06/12 A report from the U.S. Department of Education says that more than 70% of students involved in school-related arrests are Hispanic or African-American. 03/19/12 There has been a massive overhaul for underperforming schools, but the Denver Public Schools District is denying any allegations of racial discrimination. 03/28/12 There will now be tougher security requirements on the A-A-T and A-C-T's in an effort to prevent cheating.

CBS4 AT NOON - 01/20/12 Lincoln High School has improved its graduation rates by nearly 12% in the past year. 02/23/12 Colorado currently has more than 15,000 students enrolled in on-line programs through the Department of Education.

CBS4 AT 5 - 01/07/12 Lawmakers will debate whether in-state tuition should be given to illegal immigrants who graduated from Colorado High Schools. 01/20/12 Denver Public Schools has announced that 175 more high school students graduated last spring than the year before. 01/25/12 New guidelines for school lunches include calorie caps for entire meals and more whole grains, fruits and vegetables. 01/30/12 The 9% tuition increase at the University of

Colorado has funded substantial raises for top administrators. 02/01/12 Despite cuts in state funding, Denver Public Schools will increase its budget for 2012-2013. The District is also considering a Mill Levy in the fall. 02/02/12 School Districts each use their own policy when determining which schools to close. 03/12/12 Governor Hickenlooper supports a bill that would establish a new statewide literacy measure and direct school districts to flunk third graders who don't meet it. 03/14/12 The Garfield County School Board has decided to implement a four-day school week which could save them as much as \$500,000 dollars.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 - 01/12/12 Governor Hickenlooper says the state needs to continue to cut red tape and do a better job of funding education. 01/12/12 The University of Colorado administration has proposed a nearly 16% increase for in-state students. 01/24/12 Denver Public Schools announced an \$800,000 grant to improve leadership, from The Dell Foundation. 02/07/12 Aurora Public Schools are tackling truancy with a personal touch, by visiting students at home to welcome them back to school. 02/08/12 Colorado Lawmakers are considering a "Sales Tax Holiday" for three days the first weekend in August, for back to school shopping. It is estimated that consumers would save about \$6-million dollars. 02/16/12 Twenty-three medical marijuana dispensaries located near schools are indicating they will move or close rather than fight an order by the U.S. Attorney for Colorado. 02/28/12 U.S. Education Secretary, Arne Duncan, spent the day in Denver getting a first-hand look at the progress being made at city schools.

CBS4 AT 10 - 01/08/12 One of the key issues for the 2012 Legislature will be school funding. 01/19/12 The Denver Public Schools Board has approved a change to push back the start of the school year. 03/25/12 Douglas County Schools have decided to make their collective bargaining negotiations open to the public.

CRIME, VIOLENCE

CBS4 MORNING - 01/07/12 A Denver Sheriff's deputy was taken into custody for allegedly sexually assaulting a child. Investigators accuse him of fondling and groping a 13-year-old girl, more than once. 01/08/12 Two people are recovering from severe injuries in the hospital after a bomb blast outside their Lafayette home. 01/09/12 Two people accused of using a hacksaw to cut off a man's fingers, and stealing evidence from a crime scene, are scheduled to appear in court in Grand County. 01/12/12 For the first time in 45 years, homicide is not on the list of top 15 causes of death in the United States for 2010. 01/31/12 Fourteen people face a 70-count indictment connected to an alleged child prostitution ring operating in Denver, Boulder, Glenwood Springs, and Grand Junction. 02/01/12 State lawmaker Laura Bradford was stopped for making an illegal turn, smelling of alcohol, and having a gun in her car. 02/22/12 A man who barricaded himself inside an apartment overnight is now under arrest, and the young child that was with him is safe with Aurora police. 03/26/12 Two separate marches are planned in Denver, calling for justice in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin, an unarmed black teenager. 03/38/12 Nearly half-a-million dollars in jewelry has been stolen from a jewelry store in Parker.

CBS4 AT NOON - 01/10/12 Lee Grace Dougherty and her brothers are accused of a crime spree in Florida, Georgia, and Colorado, where they were captured after a chase and shootout. 01/27/12 The Dougherty siblings, who are charged in an interstate crime spree, tried to break out of the Walsenburg jail. 02/09/12 According to the U.S. Attorney's office, a metro-wide drug bust has dismantled a massive cocaine ring involving local gang members and international cartel members operating in Los Angeles and Mexico.

CBS4 AT 5 - 01/07/12 Investigators released a sketch of a police impersonator who they say sexually assaulted a woman after pulling over her car. 01/09/12 Veteran Denver Sheriff's Sergeant Chuck Denovellis was arrested and jailed on a charge of menacing as part of a misdemeanor domestic violence warrant. 01/15/12 Two officers were disciplined and then fired

for using excessive force against a group of women. Denver's Chief of Police plans to review the entire case. 01/21/12 Agents arrested 15 people believed to be part of a nationwide gang called "Hell's Lovers". The arrest warrants are sealed, but other members have been arrested for murder, racketeering, and drug dealing. 01/28/12 Military police have arrested a 40-year-old combat engineer who is suspected in the brutal murder of a food operations specialist at Fort Carson. 01/31/12 A man accused of killing two people in a Douglas County murder-for-hire case is facing the death penalty. 02/25/12 A robber, who is being called the "Subway Thirty-Two" bandit is wanted in at least ten or more robberies. 03/07/12 Denver police and the Denver District Attorney have linked four cold case murders to Vincent Groves. The serial killer won't be prosecuted because he died in prison in 1996. 03/10/12 The "32 Bandit" has struck 23 businesses in the past six weeks. The reward has been increased to \$12,000 and the FBI is helping police with the investigation.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 - 01/12/12 Federal agents started cracking down on medical marijuana dispensaries in Colorado beginning with warning letters to dispensaries that are close to schools. 01/26/12 Denver police have arrested a male prostitute who may have infected thousands of people with H-I-V. 02/01/12 The Colorado Attorney General has used a child sex ring case to demand a website stop posting ads for sexual services. 02/08/12 The District Attorney will decide whether a man will face charges for shooting and killing a man who broke into his home. 02/09/12 Alfonso Carrillo, who faces 15 different counts of forgery, theft, and filing false documents, is accused of assisting people to illegally move into homes that were under foreclosure. 02/23/12 A man is under arrest facing attempted murder charges, after setting his house on fire with his children inside. 03/05/12 The Colorado Supreme Court has ruled that gun bans on college campuses are illegal, overturning the University of Colorado's ban on guns, which has been in place more than 40 years.

CBS4 AT 10 - 01/08/12 A gunman who threatened people at two convenience stores was shot by police, in Brighton, after a car chase. 01/08/12 Denver police arrested a man they believe is the "Wig-Out Bandit", wanted in nine bank robberies. 01/10/12 Joe Pizarro who stalked and robbed a 91-year-old vet on Veterans Day, has been arrested. 01/11/12 Thornton police are hoping someone will recognize a man, caught on surveillance cameras, accused of trying to kidnap a young woman when leaving a Walmart. 01/24/12 Denver's new crime lab has solved more cold cases than New York City and Great Britain combined. 01/27/12 New leads are coming in, ten years after three people were gunned down inside a Littleton bowling alley. 01/30/12 Hanif Sims pleaded guilty to child abuse resulting in death. His girlfriend, Monique Lynch, had already been sentenced to 27 years for the crime. 02/01/12 A pilot is now in custody after investigators found 55 pounds of marijuana while searching a small plane in Boulder. 02/16/12 Twenty-five-year-old Lauren Redfern, the Health Teacher and Coach at Basalt High School, turned herself in and confessed to repeatedly having sex with an underage student. 02/16/12 A pizza delivery man had his car stolen, but he used his smart phone to get it back and to catch the thieves. 03/02/12 Michael Mendenhall has been found guilty on 25 counts for persuading elderly victims to withdraw large amounts of money and invest with him. 03/06/12 Rayon Hamilton and a second man face sexual assault, kidnapping, and burglary charges for their attack on a woman. 03/06/12 Human remains were discovered at the Suncor Refinery in Commerce City. The refinery has been in operation since 1930, and the age of the remains has yet to be determined. 03/22/12 Police in California have two suspects in custody who might be linked to the "32 Bandit" crimes. 03/23/12 Two Larimer County doctors have been arrested after an investigation to see if they were writing unnecessary prescriptions for medical marijuana.

ECONOMY - Lack of local support for small businesses.

CBS4 MORNING - 01/03/12 The Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that in 2010, nearly 1.3 million men succeeded in getting jobs compared to 600,000 women. 01/03/12 Some industries and careers are growing so fast that employers can't fill positions fast enough. The growing careers are in biomedical engineering, computer software engineering, customer service, home health, and management analysis. 01/04/12 Analysts believe that American auto dealers had their best December in five years, and car makers expect to add more jobs in 2012. 01/05/12 The White House says it has commitments for nearly 18,000 youth employment opportunities for next summer, and it is aiming for tens of thousands more. 01/06/12 The unemployment rate is dropping. Employers added 200,000 jobs in December. 01/08/12 Some of the metro area's top business leaders will meet to talk business development. They will talk about ways that new initiatives and programs in Colorado can help small businesses. 01/10/12 Consumer credit increased by 10% in November, the biggest increase in a decade and an indication of improved confidence in the economy. 01/11/12 Last year the focus of lawmakers was on the state budget, but this year it's on creating jobs and making Colorado's economy better for everyone. 01/18/12 The World Bank is warning of an impending global economic slowdown. 01/18/12 Teletech Holdings just built a new customer support call center in Greeley and they are planning to hire more than 500 new employees in Colorado. 01/20/12 Fortune Magazine lists the following as the top five companies to work for: Google, Boston Consulting Group, SAS Institute, Wegman Food Markets, and Edward Jones. 01/25/12 Career Choice Fairs is holding a job fair with jobs in accounting, customer service, financial service, IT, sales and security. 01/26/12 There are a few companies that have never laid anyone off since they've been in operation. The list includes The Container Store, Saint Jude's Children's Research Hospital, and Aflac. 01/30/12 President Obama will call on Congress to pass legislation which would offer new tax breaks for small companies and make it easier for start-ups to raise money. 02/13/12 Lawmakers are meeting to talk about a bill that would keep employers from using credit scores against job applicants. 02/17/12 The top four cities in which to get a social media job are New York, San Jose, San Francisco, and Los Angeles. 02/22/12 President Obama has said he would lower the 35% corporate tax rate, and eliminate deductions for companies that move jobs or profits overseas. 02/24/12 The United States Postal Service will eliminate 35,000 jobs. 03/07/12 Nationally, the following companies are hiring: American National Insurance, General Mills, ITT Exelis, Manitowoc Company, MetLife Insurance, Orkin Pest Control, and SunAmerican Financial Group. 03/21/12 Lawmakers plan to introduce a bill that would reduce the penalty for people possessing drugs, because they believe that felony imprisonment of drug users is a drain on our economy and society. An average of \$10 million dollars per year is spent on these prisoners.

CBS4 AT NOON - 01/06/12 The economy added a total of 1.6 million jobs in 2011, which is a big improvement from 2010, but still far below employment levels before the recession. 01/18/11 Unemployment claims hit their lowest level since 2008. In 2011, employers added about a million more jobs than in 2010. 01/26/12 Fewer people bought new homes in December, making 2011 the worst sales year since record-keeping started in 1963.

CBS4 AT 5 - 01/22/12 Colorado lawmakers are introducing bills designed to give struggling homeowners more options if they are facing foreclosure. 02/13/12 One man, seeking employment, got creative. He stood on a corner, during rush hour, handing out his resume. He received 60 responses, and ultimately a job. 02/28/12 Don Childears, of the Colorado Bankers Association, is gathering business advisers and bankers together to help Coloradans financially launch their own businesses. 03/06/12 Covidien officially opened their new research and development center in Boulder, creating 160 new jobs. 03/07/12 Representative Mark Barker is presenting a bill that would crack down on shoplifting rings, which cost everyone in higher prices

and a weaker economy. 03/03/12 About 700 people attended the Elitches Amusement Park job fair.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 - 01/05/12 Both Democrat and Republican state lawmakers have proposed legislation that they hope will boost Colorado's economy. 01/11/12 During an interview, Governor Hickenlooper said it's clear where the state's focus is ... our priority has to be jobs. 01/12/12 In his State of the State speech Governor Hickenlooper emphasized attracting small business. He said if ever there was a time Colorado needed to spur greater support for entrepreneurship to create and attract new business it is now. 01/18/12 DIA announced the plans for a hotel and light rail station. The project will bring 1,000 new jobs over the next few years. 01/24/12 Colorado's unemployment rate fell to 7.9% in December. It's the first time it has been below 8% since the middle of 2010. 01/30/12 Mayor Hancock wants to create new jobs with a new economic development plan. The mayor says his new "jump-start" development plan is focused on retaining businesses already here and helping new ones grow. 02/01/12 American Airlines could be cutting 13,000 jobs, which is 15% of its workforce. 02/23/12 The number of unemployed veterans is twice the national unemployment rate so the University of Colorado Denver and the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce are working to connect Vets with jobs. 03/19/12 Colorado's economy is improving so therefore, the state will have nearly \$149 million dollars more to spend than expected, next year.

CBS4 AT 10 - 01/06/12 The unemployment rate fell from 8.7% in November to 8.5% in December. 01/12/12 The Home Depot will be hiring 70,000 seasonal workers, nationwide, for the spring, which means about 800 openings here. Last year, half of the seasonal workers were later hired permanently. 01/27/12 Frontier Airlines is moving its headquarters back to Denver, which could mean that hundreds of jobs could return. 02/02/12 Administrators for Colorado's unemployment insurance program have been promising improvement in customer service for years, but a CBS4 investigation has found that things have only gotten worse. 02/13/12 President Obama's \$3.8 trillion dollar plan includes \$350 billion dollars in stimulus spending for roads and schools, which the president says will help create jobs. 02/25/12 Police Chief White would like to put all of the police out on the street, and hire civilians to do the time-consuming paperwork. 03/09/12 The Labor Department reported that the economy added 227,000 jobs in the last month, but the unemployment rate stayed steady at 8.3%. 03/31/12 March Madness games being held in Denver will generate \$20-million dollars for the local economy.

HEALTHCARE

CBS4 MORNING – 01/03/12 The University of Colorado is considering offering discounted health insurance premiums to employees who go to the gym. 01/20/12 Married couples have lower health insurance costs. 02/09/12 President Obama's new policy requires faith-based groups to pay for birth control coverage in their insurance plans. 02/16/12 Colorado's State Board of Health has passed a controversial plan that will mandate that 90% of all employees at healthcare facilities be vaccinated for the flu. 02/20/12 Latinos gathered at the Justice for All Center in Denver advocating education equality and better healthcare. 03/12/12 A new concept called Carepilot is an on-line marketplace for health care in Colorado. It offers users a savings of 10%-30% on needed procedures. 03/20/12 In 2013 Coloradans will be able to go to a health insurance marketplace, created by lawmakers, where they can compare rates, quality, and ultimately buy the insurance that best meets their needs. It's called the Colorado Health Benefit Exchange. Details of what it will look like and how it will work are still being sorted out. 03/24/12 President Obama's Health Reform Law will go before the U.S. Supreme Court, where 26 state Attorney Generals, including Colorado's, say the law is unconstitutional because it requires everyone to buy health insurance. 03/26/12 A Washington Post poll shows that 52% of those polled oppose the Healthcare Law and 41% approve of it. 03/26/12 The Healthcare Reform Law requires an "individual mandate", which means all Americans must buy health

insurance or face a fine. 03/27/12 The latest CBS News poll shows that 47% of Americans disapprove of the Healthcare Law and 36% support the law. 03/28/12 Colorado's Mental Health First Aid Program received national recognition. The program helps connect people with organizations across the country to improve mental healthcare and allows people to help each other and strengthen communities. 03/28/12 Arguments before the Supreme Court will address the expansion of Medicaid and whether it is a burden on states.

CBS4 AT NOON – Economists say they're concerned that President Obama's budget plan doesn't address skyrocketing costs for the nation's healthcare plan. 02/10/12 President Obama announced that women will be able to get contraception directly from insurance companies, which helps businesses to meet the requirement without violating their beliefs. 03/22/12 More than 18% of Colorado's children live below the poverty level and have little or no health insurance. 03/23/12 Because of President Obama's Health Care Reform Law, two-and-a-half-million more young adults now have health insurance on their parent's plans and five-million people with Medicare have saved an average of \$635 dollars on prescription drugs. 03/26/12 Supporters of President Obama's Healthcare Law say it has already helped families, so it needs to be protected to make sure it continues to help them.

CBS4 AT 5 – 02/23/12 Drug prices are coming down but the challenge is that consumers are getting less coverage from their health insurance. 02/24/12 A bill now in the Colorado Legislature would help people without health insurance when they need an emergency room. The bill would require hospitals to create a reasonable payment plan and a discounted rate for un-insured patients. 02/29/12 Long-Term Care insurance is often tax deductible. Most people in Colorado are entitled to a \$150 credit if they buy long term care insurance. 03/26/12 The Supreme Court heard arguments on the constitutionality of the Healthcare Reform Law. The legal battle could have a huge impact on the Healthcare system. The Justices are expected to make a decision by June.

CBS4 AT 6 and CBS4 AT 6:30 – 02/09/12 Under Patty Gabow's leadership, Denver Health has created great access for people who would otherwise not have access to care. 03/30/12 Pinnacol, the company that manages Colorado's Workers' Comp Insurance Program, is spending millions of dollars to figure out if going private would be good for the company and the state.

CBS4 AT 10 – 01/23/12 Denver's Structural Financial Task Force gave the Mayor and City Council more than 30 recommended changes, including studying and implementing a self-funded health insurance program.