



# SAFESTREETS

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## **KOMO documentary examines scope of heroin crisis in our region**

*Everett Police, social workers featured for alternative approaches working with those on streets*

EVERETT – KOMO News reporter Eric Johnson recently took a deeper look into the heroin epidemic that has crept its way onto many streets and into many homes in our region, in a television special, "[Demon at the Door: Our Heroin Crisis](#)."

In the documentary, Johnson talks to a wide array of people in the community who are dealing with this crisis from families who have lost loved ones to those who are on the streets and in the grips of addiction, as well as the law enforcement teams who are on the streets of King and Snohomish counties, working to find a solution to this growing problem.

Johnson followed Everett Police's own [Community Outreach and Enforcement Team \(COET\)](#) as they ventured into encampments throughout Everett. COET uses a unique approach to dealing with this issue, as the team consists of officers and embedded social workers to connect some of Everett's most vulnerable individuals with the resources they need, which is showcased in a portion of the documentary.

Catch the hour-long special on KOMO this Sunday, June 11, at 3 p.m., or online on [KOMO's website](#). Learn more about the [Community Streets Initiative](#) or the [Everett Safe Streets Plan](#).

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### **Learn more:**

For more information on the Community Streets Initiative, visit [www.everettwa.gov/streetsinitiative](http://www.everettwa.gov/streetsinitiative).

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