# AUDACY RADIO GROUP ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

# **FOR**

# **STATION WBMX HD-2**

# FIRST QUARTER, 2024 JANUARY 1 THROUGH MARCH 31

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# WSCR 670 THE SCORE PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES

- 1. <u>Score Values</u>: (Sundays, 6:00am Duration: 30:00) Locally produced interview show discussing local charitable causes and events.
- 2. <u>At Issue:</u> (Sundays, 6:30am Duration: 30:00) Locally produced interview show featuring top newsmakers discussing state and community issues.

#### ISSUES OF CONCERN TO CHICAGO

#### ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING IN THE

# **FIRST QUARTER 2024**

- 1. <u>Business and Job Development:</u> Creating an economic climate that supports small business and entrepreneurs. Provide assistance to develop new businesses and jobs in distressed economic areas.
- 2. <u>Crime and Violence:</u> Support of community policing efforts in Chicago, efforts to reduce gang activity and the spread of gangs into the suburbs, ensuring that the police department operates legally and with respect the communities it serves.
- 3. <u>Transportation:</u> Maintenance, improvement and safety of Chicago's transportation system, including the airports, commuter rail service, and highway development.
- 4. <u>Neighborhood and Suburban Development:</u> Efforts within the City of Chicago to promote neighborhood cohesion, economic opportunities and housing. Infrastructure concerns.
- 5. <u>Civil Rights:</u> Enforcing legal rights and developing respect for different races and ethnic groups as well as religious differences; gay and lesbian issues; immigration issues.
- 6. <u>Family Issues:</u> Helping to maintain stable families; parental education; finding permanent homes for children in state care.
- 7. <u>Health Care:</u> Providing adequate facilities for health care, particularly indigent care; providing affordable health care and access to services. Dealing with the Covid-19 crisis.
- 8. <u>Politics and Voter Information:</u> Helping voters make personal election decisions by giving insights into those that are running for offices in upcoming elections.

Elected officials discuss what they are doing in government.

- 9. <u>Women:</u> Issues impacting women, particularly biases, equal pay, economic security and domestic violence.
- 10. <u>School Reform and Education:</u> Efforts to improve student performance and achievement, making sure teachers are performing well in the classroom and general educational issues in Chicago and the suburbs.

# I. BUSINESS AND JOB DEVELOPMENT

At Issue

December 31, 2023

TOPIC: The New Leader of the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership

Guest: George Wright, CEO of Chicago Workforce Partnership

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore sits down with (relatively) new leader of the Chicago Workforce Partnership, George Wright, about what the organization does, job training, careers within Chicago and more.

# II. CRIME AND VIOLENCE

# III. TRANSPORTATION

# IV. NEIGHBORHOOD AND SUBURBAN DEVELOPMENT

Score Values

January 7, 2024

Sherry Sklako, Executive Director of Reduce Waste Chicago - 14 minutes of 30 minute program - Tells us about the organization's initiative to collect defective Christmas lights after the holidays

Score Values January 14, 2024

Alyssa Bergamini, 670 The Score - 11 minutes of 30 minute program - Emceeing "Giving Back Night" at Little Joes Bar. Tells us about the "Live Like Roo" organization that the trivia night benefits

January 14, 2024

Haley Ebling, Director of Betsy's Blankets - 17 minutes of 30 minute program - Tells us about her organization that provides blankets and bedding to those in need.

Score Values

January 21, 2024

Steve Bernas, President & CEO of BBB Chicago & Northern Illinois - 20 Minutes of 30 minute program - DIscusses latest scams the BBB is warning consumers of

At Issue

January 28, 2024

TOPIC: What is the Clean & Affordable Buildings Ordinance and how will it affect neighborhoods

Guests: Sarah Moskowitz, Executive Director of the Citizens Utilities Board

Gilbert Villegas, Alderman of the 36th Ward in Chicago

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore meets with Sarah Moskowitz & Alderman Gilbert Villegas to discuss the pros & cons of the Clean and Affordable Buildings Ordinance and how it will affect residents of Chicago.

Score Values

January 28, 2024

Sarah Lauch, Director of "Live Like Roo." - 13 minutes of 30 minute program - Tells us about her organization that helps families who have a pet with a cancer diagnosis

Score Values

February 4, 2024

Betty Bogg, CEO of Connections 4 The Homeless - 15 Minutes of 30 Minute program - Discussing the shelter that they run in Evanston to help the homeless transition into a home

February 4, 2024

Connor Mautner Founder of Chicago Refugee Coalition - 15 minutes of 30 minute program - Discusses the organization that helps immigrants coming to Chicago who are escaping war, persecution or natural disaster

At Issue

February 4, 2024

TOPIC: A Look Inside the Programs within the Obama Foundation

Guest: Michael Strautmanis, Executive Vice President of the Obama Foundation

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore talks with the Executive Vice President of the Obama Foundation, Michael Strautmanis, to talk about the programs within the foundation, its goal to develop future leaders, the Obama Center & more.

#### At Issue

February 11, 2024

TOPIC: The Life of Lori Lightfoot after being mayor of Chicago

Guest: Lori Lightfoot, former mayor of Chicago Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore chats with the former mayor of Chicago, Lori Lightfoot, about her time at Harvard after being mayor, plans to help Chicago neighborhoods and much more.

# Score Values

February 11, 2024

Jeremy Foster, President & CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metro Chicago - 13 minutes of 30 minute program - on the need for mentors in the program

### Score Values

February 18, 2024

Brant Talyor, Celist @ Chicago Symphony Orchestra - 14 minutes of 30 minute program - Talks about CSO's community endeavors.

Sheila Gidley, Director of Canine Therapy Corps - 14 minutes of 30 minute program - Discusses her organization's mission of training therapy animals.

#### Score Values

February 25, 2024

Jamila Trimuel, Founder of Ladies of Virtue - 15 Minutes of 30 Minute Program - Recaps their annual LOV Day.

Ray Baker of Special Olympics Chicago - 15 minutes of 30 Minute program - Previews the Polar Plunge.

#### Score Values

March 3, 2024

27 minutes of 30 minute program - Victoria Lakes-Battle and Kenya Thomas, discussed Chicago Cultural Treasures initiative and the plans for it to help BIPOC non-profit organizations.

Score Values

March 10, 2024

Kenneth Griffin, Founder of No Matter What - 15 Minutes of 30 minute program - Discusses the investment that the organization makes into the underserved youth of Chicago

Audacy Conversations - 15 Minutes of 30 minute program - On the future of the entertainment industry with the popularization of streaming

Score Values

March 17, 2024

Kim Hannay, Co-Founder of Digs With Dignity - 17 Minutes of 20 minute program - On the work that the organization does to provide furniture and housing to those in need

Mary Coy, Director of Inspiration Corporation - 12 minutes of 30 minute program - On the organization's mission of feeding the homeless.

Score Values

March 31, 2024

Jamila Trimuel, Founder of Ladies of Virtue - 13 minutes of 30 minute program - Jamila joins us again as the good news continues for the organization. LOV was recognized by Mayor Brandon Johsnon and several Alderpersons at City Hall last week. Alderwoman Dowell & Alderman Moore both stood up to speak about the great work LOV is doing for black girls around the city with Aldeman Moore having a niece in the program.

# V. CIVIL RIGHTS

#### VI. FAMILY ISSUES

# VII. HEALTH CARE

At Issue

January 7, 2024

TOPIC: Experts on the Return of COVID-19

Guests: Dr. Sharon Welbel and Dr. Whitney Lyn, from the Cook County Health and

Hospitals System

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore sits down with Dr. Sharon Welbel and Dr. Whitney Lyn, from the Cook County Health and Hospitals System, to get their insight into the rise of Covid cases.

Score Values

January 7, 2024

Audacy's I'm Listening segment with The Wounded Warrior Project - 15 minutes of 30 minute program - discussing veterans mental health.

Score Values

January 21, 2024

Ambassador Taylor of Coffee Hip Hop and Mental Health - 8 minutes of 30 minutes program - Discusses the organization that opened up a coffee shop in Chicago where people can participate in group therapy.

Score Values

February 11, 2024

Dr Carla Beatrici CEO of Smart Love Family Services - 16 minutes of 30 minute program - Discusses the counseling and therapy Smart Love offers to families

Score Values

March 24, 2024

Audacy conversations on Veterans Mental Health - 15 minutes of 30 minute program.

# VIII. VOTER INFORMATION AND POLITICS

At Issue

January 14, 2024

TOPIC: A Conversation with the U.S Ambassador to Japan, Rahm Emanuel

Guest: Rahm Emanuel, the U.S Ambassador to Japan

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore sits down in studio with U.S Ambassador to Japan & former Chicago mayor Rahm Emanuel to discuss his current position, the Chicago Star program and more.

At Issue

February 18, 2024

TOPIC: The race for Cook County Circuit Court Clerk

Guests: Iris Martinez, incumbent Cook County Circuit Court Clerk

Mariyana Sypropoulos, the commissioner of the Metropolitan Water

Reclamation District

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's episode of At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore shines a spotlight on the primary race for Cook County Circuit Court Clerk. Conversations with the

incumbent Clerk Iris Martinez & Mariyana Sypropoulos, the commissioner of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District are spotlighted as the Primary Race heats up.

At Issue

February 25, 2024

TOPIC: Cook County State's Attorney hopeful makes his case to replace Kim Foxx

Guest: Clayton Harris III, candidate for Cook County State's Attorney

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On March 19th, Cook County will be voting in a new State's Attorney as incumbent Kim Foxx will not be running again. On this week's episode of At Issue, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore speaks with one of the two democrats who are running for the position: Clayton Harris III.

At Issue

March 10, 2024

TOPIC: How the Illinois state budget can be impacted by race

Guest: Ralph Martire, CTBA Executive Director Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's program, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore shares a discussion between CTBA Executive Director Ralph Martire and guests, moderated by Dellimore, on how public policy intersects with race.

At Issue

March 17, 2024

TOPIC: The "Bring Chicago Home" Referendum Guests: Maria Hadden, 49th Ward Alderwoman

Farzin Parang, the Executive Director of the Business Owners & Managers

Association

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

With the election coming up on March 19th. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore welcomes 49th Ward Alderwoman Maria Hadden & Farzin Parang, the Executive Director of the Business Owners & Managers Association, to discuss the "Bring Chicago Home" referendum that has caused a stir in the city.

At Issue

March 24, 2024

TOPIC: Post-Primary Reporters Roundtable

Guests: Mike Flannery, political analyst & A.D. Quig of the Chicago Tribune

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's program, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore is joined by political analyst Mike Flannery & The Tribune's A.D. Quig to discuss the results of the 2024 Illinois Primary. They'll look back at what happened, look ahead to what's next and what they learned.

#### IX. WOMEN

# X. SCHOOL REFORM AND EDUCATION

At Issue

January 21, 2024

TOPIC: The Wellness Checks in School Program Act and How It'll Affect Students

Guests: Geri Kerger, Executive Director at NAMI DuPage

Robin Koelsch is the Chief Partnership Engagement Officer at Communities In Schools of Chicago

Length: 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

On this week's program, WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore talks about the new law, the Wellness Checks in School Program Act, and how it'll affect nearly 2 million students this coming fall. He is joined by Geri Kerger & Robin Koelsch to discuss the impact it'll have on students & so much more.

Score Values

January 28, 2024

Dr. Toinette Gunn, CEO of "Link Unlimited Scholars" - 15 minutes of 30 minute program - Tells us about an organization that helps support underprivileged students reach their goals.

Score Values March 24, 2024

Priya Linsion, Executive Director of One Goal - 15 Minutes of 30 Minute program - On The work that the organization does to provide college counseling and advice to area students