

**WABM - TV**  
**Birmingham, Alabama**

**FIRST QUARTER**  
**FCC ISSUES/PROGRAMMING REPORT**  
**January 1 – March 31, 2024**

**FCC Quarterly Issues/Programming Report  
January 1 - March 31, 2024**

WABM's Programming Report reflects the major issues for the 1st Quarter and is in no way all-inclusive. The issues, which dominated this quarter of 2024 as determined by WABM's continuing ascertainment of community leaders, WABM's news operation, and comments of our viewers, are listed below:

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**I. LOCAL NEWS ISSUES**  
**January 1 - March 31, 2024**

WABM produced and aired local news covering a vast variety of topics. Below are subjects important to our local community during the months of January, February, and March 2024.

<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>SHOW</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>DURATION</b>	<b>SUMMARY</b>
Agriculture & Commerce	ABC 33/40 News	5:00 PM	01/29/24	1:15	Segment to inform viewers that Alabama's Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program offers eligible seniors aged 60+ a \$50 benefit card for fresh produce. Local agencies assist in the application process for seniors without internet access, ensuring fair participation.
Agriculture & Commerce	ABC 33/40 News	4:00 PM	02/14/24	1:30	Segment to inform viewers that the city of Childersburg is considering a sales tax increase from 9 to 10 cents to support first responder benefits. Details are pending, but concerns exist regarding potential impacts on small businesses.
Crime and Substance Abuse	ABC 33/40 News	5:00 PM	02/01/24	1:36	Segment to inform viewers that Alabama Attorney General announced a \$5.5 million settlement with Publicis Health to combat the opioid crisis. Publicis admitted to aiding Purdue Pharma and others in marketing opioids. With over 1,400 opioid deaths in 2021, urgency is high. Only \$10 million of \$278 million has been allocated for prevention.

Crime and Substance Abuse	ABC 33/40 News	5:00 AM	02/22/24	1:08	Segment to inform viewers that State lawmakers are advancing a bill for tougher penalties on false police reports, inspired by the Carlee Russell kidnapping hoax in Hoover. The proposed law mandates full restitution and day-for-day prison sentences for offenders. Representative Mike Shaw sees it as a priority to deter such incidents and restore community trust.
Education and Youth	ABC 33/40 News	10:00 PM	03/07/24	1:52	Segment to inform viewers that Governor Ivey signed the Choose Act into law, offering a refundable tax credit for homeschooling or attending schools outside jurisdiction. Concerns arise over affordability for low-income families, while accountability measures include standardized testing. Future expansion of the tax credit to all families prompts fiscal and regulatory concerns.
Education and Youth	ABC 33/40 News	5:30 AM	02/01/24	1:15	Segment to inform viewers that nursing education, now available in Talladega eliminates long commutes. Amid projections of nurse shortages, the 3-semester program aims to meet local healthcare demands.
Politics (Treasury, Housing, Urban Development)	ABC 33/40 News	6:00 PM	02/19/24	0:52	Segment to inform viewers that Tuscaloosa Habitat for Humanity tackles the

					affordable housing challenge with a 40-home community. Executives from Alabama travelled to D.C. seeking federal funds to aid more families statewide. Participants volunteer hours and pay fair market value through a 30-year mortgage for their homes.
Politics (Treasury, Housing, Urban Development)	ABC 33/40 News	6:30 AM	03/18/24	1:53	Segment to inform viewers that Birmingham City Schools, in partnership with the Housing Authority District of Birmingham, tackles chronic absenteeism with the "Every Day Counts" program. Launched in January, it offers monetary incentives for perfect attendance, supporting families with funds for housing costs and additional resources like transportation assistance and homework help.
Transportation and Energy	ABC 33/40 News	5:30 AM	02/01/24	2:23	Segment to inform viewers that Alabama Power cites cold weather for increased electricity usage, but many customers dispute bill spikes. Despite attempts to clarify, concerns over billing transparency persist.
Transportation and Energy	ABC 33/40 News	6:00 PM	03/01/24	1:25	Segment to inform viewers: Tuscaloosa plans to demolish a 60-year-old pedestrian bridge over Veterans Memorial Parkway, citing low usage. The city council allocated half a million dollars

					for demolition. Safety considerations and potential railroad involvement are key factors, with construction possibly starting in November 2024.
Transportation and Energy	ABC 33/40 News	5:50 AM	03/12/24	0:50	Segment to inform viewers about Alabama's new Traffic Monitoring Center at the University of Alabama. The Center tracks traffic, crashes, and weather conditions, sharing data via the Algo traffic app to ease congestion. ALDOT aims to enhance safety and efficiency during busy periods, especially on game day weekends, by utilizing real-time crash information for detours. The center also includes a roadway temperature monitoring system for freeze alerts.
Women, Minorities, and Seniors	ABC 33/40 News	6:00 PM	02/20/24	1:50	Segment to inform viewers about the Alabama's Supreme Court ruling on embryo destruction at a Mobile fertility clinic sparks concerns about IVF accessibility, cost, and clinic closures statewide. Uncertainty looms over safe practices and legal implications for medical professionals and patients alike.

## II. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 1 - March 31, 2024

WABM produced and aired or simply aired Public Service Announcements for the following organizations on community service projects during the months of January, February, and March 2024.

PSA	AIRDATES	LENGTH & # OF PSAS	DESCRIPTION
AD COUNCIL EDUCATION 02	3/17-3/31	:30 # of spots 120	PSA ADDRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF CHILDREN'S EDUCATION NEEDS
AD COUNCIL ADOPTION	1/02-3/31	:30 # of spots 80	PSA SPEAKING ON THE ADVOCATION FOR ADOPTION
AD COUNCIL ENDING HUNGER	1/02-3/31	:30 # of spots 100	PSA ADDRESSING ENDING HUNGER IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES
AD COUNCIL PSA LUNG CANCER SCREENING	1/02-03/31	:30 # of spots 150	PSA SPEAKING ON THE IMPORTANCE OF LUNG CANCER SCREENING AND HOW TO ACCESS

## III. STATION SPONSORED EVENTS

January 1 - March 31, 2024

Below is a list of community events supported during the months of January, February, and March 2024.

EVENT	SUPPORT	DESCRIPTION
One Yard at a Time Gala 2/23/24	ON AIR SCHEDULE	One Yard at a Time Gala is a Lettermen USA supported event at The Club in Birmingham, Alabama. The Athletic Honoree was former University of Alabama Football Running Back Major Ogilvie. Lettermen USA is a national social impact organization that harnesses former athletes and coaches to help members of local communities in need.
Weather Radio Programming 3/26/24	ON AIR SCHEDULE, ON SITE METEOROLOGIST JAMES SPANN, SALES TEAM AND INTERNS	The Weather Radio Programming event was held at Lowe's in Alabaster. Sponsored by the Drummond Company. Hosted by Meteorologist James Spann and the sales team. Weather Radios were programmed for free as a service to the general public.

#### **IV. STATION TOURS**

**January 1 - March 31, 2024**

February 12	Heritage Christian Academy
February 16	Pinson Elementary School
March 20	Highlands School
March 21	Highlands School

#### **V. COMMUNITY RELATIONS OUTREACH**

**January 1 - March 31, 2024**

##### **Riley Blackwell, Meteorologist**

**March 6** Reader for Read Across America at Clanton Elementary School

##### **Evan Chickvara, Meteorologist**

January 18	Stem Night Pinson Elementary
February 8	Gardendale Church of God Pre-K
February 12	Heritage Christian Academy
February 13	Job Shadow Kinsey Holton
February 16	Station Visit: Pinson Elementary
February 29	Leeds Primary School
March 8-	Read Across America Pinson Valley
March 13-	Vestavia Day School
March 20, 21	Station Visit: Highlands School

##### **Pam Huff, Anchor**

**March 6<sup>th</sup>** Reader for Read Across America at Helena Elementary School

##### **Brenda Ladun, Anchor**

**March 6<sup>th</sup>** Reader for Read Across America at TR Simmons Elementary School

##### **Katherine Page, Anchor**

January 25	GirlSpring Winter Party Fundraiser
March 1	Reader for Read Across America at Pelham Ridge Elementary School
March 1	Reader for Read Across America at Pelham Oaks Elementary School
March 30	Beer, Band and BBQ Fundraiser for the Alabama Head Injury Foundation

##### **Stephen Quinn, Anchor**

**March 1** Reader for Read Across America at Thompson Intermediate School

##### **Sarah Snyder, Anchor**

**March 4** Reader for Read Across America at Greystone Elementary School

##### **Muriel Bailey, Anchor**

**March 5** Reader for Read Across America at Greystone Elementary at Calera Elementary School



**Kiera Hood**

March 5<sup>th</sup> Reader for Read Across America at McCalla Elementary School

**Megan Scarano**

March 6<sup>th</sup> Reader for Read Across America at Pinson Elementary School

Stoney Sharp

March 4<sup>th</sup> Reader for Read Across America at Greystone Elementary School

**James Spann, Chief Meteorologist**

January 2 Blount County School Employee meeting in Blountsville  
January 3 Children's of Alabama in Birmingham (weather program for patients and families)  
January 4 Julian Newman Elementary in Athens  
January 4 Good Hope Elementary in Cullman County  
January 5 Advent Episcopal School in Birmingham  
January 5 Cahaba Elementary in Trussville  
January 8 Weaver Elementary in Calhoun County  
January 10 Millbrook Middle School in Elmore County  
January 11 Hillcrest High School in Tuscaloosa County  
January 12 Emcee of the Mount Laurel Elementary talent show in Shelby County  
January 13 Speaker at Selma severe weather outreach event sponsored by the NWS  
January 16 Veritas School of Lake Martin in Alexander City  
January 17 Eden Elementary in Pell City  
January 18 Wedowee Elementary in Randolph County  
January 18 Gwin Elementary in Hoover  
January 19 Skyland Elementary in Tuscaloosa  
January 22 U.W. Lemon Elementary in Jefferson County  
January 23 Billingsley School in Autauga County  
January 23 Valley Grande Elementary in Dallas County  
January 24 Adams Elementary in Gadsden  
January 24 Briarwood Christian School in Birmingham  
January 25 First Baptist Kindergarten in Gardendale  
January 25 First Baptist Trussville senior adults in Jefferson County  
January 25 ARC of Shelby County (lunch speaker) in Mt Laurel  
January 26 Pelham Oaks Elementary in Shelby County  
January 28 Cub Scout Pack 93 in Hoover  
January 29 McCalla Elementary in Jefferson County  
January 29 McAdory Elementary in Jefferson County  
January 30 Westside Elementary in Demopolis  
January 30 Pelham Ridge Elementary in Shelby County  
January 31 Winterboro High School in Talladega County  
February 1 Ivalee Elementary in Etowah County  
February 2 St. James Catholic School in Gadsden  
February 2 Emcee of the American Baseball Foundation at The Club in Birmingham  
February 3 Judge - Wings of Hope Chili Cook-off in Pelham  
February 5 J.W. Stewart HeadStart program in Gadsden  
February 6 Alexandria Elementary in Calhoun County  
February 6 Trinity Christian Academy in Oxford  
February 7 Simmons Middle School in Hoover

February 7 Children's of Alabama in Birmingham (weather program for patients and families)

February 7 Alabama Virtual Academy (via Zoom)

February 7 Western Illinois University Severe Weather Club (via Zoom)

February 8 Bryant Park Elementary in Jefferson County

February 9 Eva Elementary in Morgan County

February 10 Keynote speaker at the Rocket City WeatherFest in Huntsville

February 12 Ashville Elementary in St. Clair County

February 13 Red Level School in Covington County

February 13 University of Arizona AMS Chapter (via Zoom)

February 14 Highland School in Etowah County

February 15 Fairview Middle School in Cullman County

February 15 Oak Grove Elementary in Jefferson County

February 16 Oak Mountain Elementary in Shelby County

February 17 University of Alabama Miracle BAMATHON (for special needs kids - I was the emcee)

February 17 Emcee Hoover High School senior beauty walk at the Alabama Theatre in Birmingham

February 19 Valley Homeschool Group in Coker (Tuscaloosa County)

February 20 St. Joseph Catholic School in Florence

February 20 Snow Rogers Elementary in Jefferson County

February 21 Sumiton Middle School in Walker County

February 22 Goshen Elementary School in Pike County

February 22 Safety program for Home Instead in Vestavia Hills

February 23 Alabama Virtual Academy (via Zoom)

February 23 First Baptist Kindergarten/Pre-K in Alabaster

February 24 Keynote Speaker - Severe Weather Awareness Day in Nashville

February 24 Emcee Unless U Talent Show in Birmingham at the Lyric Theatre

February 25 Speaker at Agape Baptist Church in Scottsboro

February 26 Wellborn High School in Calhoun County

February 27 Columbia Elementary in Madison

February 28 DeArmanville Elementary in Calhoun County

February 29 Hamilton Elementary in Marion County

February 29 Emcee Fort Hope Blanket banquet at The Club in Birmingham

March 1 Coldwater Elementary in Calhoun County

March 2 Hoover Service Club in Hoover

March 3 Trussville Parks and Recreation speaker in Jefferson County

March 4 Paine Elementary in Trussville

March 4 Trace Crossings Elementary in Hoover

March 5 Madison Elementary in Madison

March 5 Cherokee Bend Elementary in Mountain Brook

March 6 i3 Academy in Birmingham

March 6 Children's of Alabama in Birmingham (weather program for patients and families)

March 6 Speaker - Kimberly Church of God in Jefferson County

March 7 Waterloo High School in Lauderdale County

March 8 Cottondale Elementary in Tuscaloosa County

March 9 Man Church - speaker in Starkville, MS

March 11 Our Lady of Sorrows Pre-K in Homewood

March 11 Gave tour to Curt Bloom’s communication class from Birmingham-  
Southern  
 March 12 Holtville Middle School in Elmore County  
 March 13 Oxford Elementary in Calhoun County  
 March 14 Green Valley Elementary in Hoover  
 March 15 Thorsby High School in Chilton County  
 March 18 Cahaba Heights Elementary in Vestavia Hills  
 March 19 Lynn Fanning Elementary in Madison County  
 March 20 Harris Early Learning Center in Birmingham  
 March 21 Boaz High School in Marshall County  
 March 21 Speaker - EMS workshop at Grandview Medical Center in Birmingham  
 March 22 Verner Elementary in Tuscaloosa  
 March 25 Rock Quarry Elementary in Tuscaloosa  
 March 26 Madison Academy in Madison County  
 March 26 Weather radio programming event in Alabaster  
 March 27 Albert L. Scott Public Library in Alabaster (for kids and their parents)  
 March 28 Moulton Elementary in Lawrence County  
 March 28 Advent Episcopal in Birmingham (Lenten series for Easter)  
 March 29 Breakthrough Charter School in Marion

## **XII. INTERNSHIPS**

**January 1 - March 31, 2024**

During the 1st quarter for 2024, WABM sponsored the following interns:

<b><u>Intern</u></b>	<b><u>College/University</u></b>
Stephen Haymond	University of Montevallo
Anna Hope Bigham	Samford University

# QUARTERLY PROGRAMS AND ISSUES REPORT FOR 1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER 2024

January, February, and March 2024

Submitted to the files on 4/10/24.

The following is a listing of specific program descriptions of public affairs, which WBMA-TV aired/produced to serve the community's interest during the period from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024, thru March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Non-broadcast efforts related to on-air programming are also included. This list is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority of significance.

## ABC NEWS PROGRAMS

### WORLD NEWS NOW

*Monday thru Thursday- and Sundays*

1:06 - 4:05 AM

Comprised of thirty-minute segments, ABC's WORLD NEWS NOW offers up-to-date news coverage including a mixture of live and taped coverage of domestic and international news issues.

### AMERICA THIS MORNING

*Monday through Friday*

4:05 - 4:30 AM

This morning news program provides viewers with late breaking national and international news, sports, weather and financial reports. Featuring separate and distinct fifteen-minute segments, information about overnight events is constantly updated.

### GOOD MORNING AMERICA

*Monday through Friday*

7:00 - 9:00 AM

George Stephanopoulos and Robin Roberts provide viewers with timely news reports, informative features, weather information, and up-to-the-minute interviews with world leaders.

### GOOD MORNING AMERICA

*Saturdays 6:00 – 8:00AM*

*Sundays 7:00 – 8:00AM*

This program provides timely reports, informative features, weather information, and up-to-the-minute interviews with world leaders.

### ABC NEWS BRIEF

*Monday through Friday*

approx. 2:58 - 3:00PM

This two-minute news capsule updates important news events of the day.  
NOTE: As events warrant, ABC NEWS BRIEF may be expanded or re-scheduled, or an Additional News Brief may be scheduled.

**ABC WORLD NEWS TONIGHT WITH DAVID MUIR**

*Monday through Friday*  
5:30-6:00PM

ABC News Anchor David Muir keeps viewers informed about world news events in this half-hour news review.

**NIGHTLINE**

*Monday through Friday*  
11:37PM – 12:06AM - *unless otherwise indicated due to sports/events.*

This program provides in-depth discussion of current events.

NOTE: As news events warrant, ABC NEWS NIGHTLINE may be expanded.

**ABC WORLD NEWS**

*Saturdays and Sundays*  
5:30 - 6:00PM

This half-hour news program reviews the day's major events.

NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the preemption or rescheduling of these News shows.

**THIS WEEK WITH GEORGE STEPHANOPOULOS**

*Sundays*  
10 – 11AM

ABC News Correspondent George Stephanopoulos anchors this news/interview program which focuses on the latest news events. World leaders and policy makers participate in roundtable discussions.

NOTE: ABC Sports programs may necessitate the pre-emption or re-scheduling of this news show.

## **LOCALLY PRODUCED PROGRAMMS**

### **Talk of Alabama**

**Mon-Fri 9am**

**Duration 60:00**

Talk of Alabama offers many helpful tips for our viewers. These helpful tips range from health and beauty to home improvements. It also has many how to's: how to clip coupons, how to get out stains, cooking ideas, etc. We have guests on our program daily. Guests include local bands, local chefs, and local artist of many sorts. Also, daily hot topics are discussed. We also encourage our viewers to call in or write or email our station to give their views. We feel Talk of Alabama has a wide range of helpful tips and interest for all our viewers.

## **SYNDICATED PROGRAMS**

### **US Farm Report –**

**Sundays 4:05am**

**Duration 60:00**

U.S. Farm Report is one-hour weekly special interest program focusing on news and issues, which affect the farming industry and the broader agribusiness community. U.S. Farm Report travels across the nation and internationally bringing the nation's most recent agribusiness news and events including commodity market information, environmental issues, consumer information, month ahead weather forecasts with weekly updates, editorial comments in a wide variety of agricultural topics and the "country church salute".

### **America's Heartland**

**Duration 30:00**

**Saturdays 3:05am**

Much of the food Americans eat is produced by farmers and ranchers in the country's heartland, but many people don't know how it's produced. "America's Heartland" provides information about the people and processes responsible for the availability of food and fuel across the country and around the world. The show's reporters and producers tell stories in topics that include farm families, consumer issues, animal welfare and crop sustainability. Some episodes also take the show abroad to countries such as Egypt and Taiwan, to show the impact American agriculture has on the global economy.

## The National Desk Weekends

**Duration 60:00**

**Sundays 12:00am**

The National Desk Weekend edition provides local storytelling from Sinclair Broadcast Group's local TV newsrooms across the United States and feeds from sources throughout the world.

The National Desk is produced by and airs nationally on stations of the Sinclair Broadcast Group.

The National Desk Weekends List from January 7 – March 31, 2024

Program/Episode	Date	Airtime	Duration	Description
The National Desk; New Year Resolutions	01/07/24		1:35	Reporter Janae Bowens reports about research that shows very few people having success with new year resolutions.
The National Desk; Trump Iowa	01/07/24		1:45	Reporter Skylar Tallal reports on Trump's growing support among Iowa voters.
The National Desk; SOCIAL National Debt	01/07/24		2:01	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports that the national debt hit a new record of \$34 trillion dollars at the end of the new year.
The National Desk; FCT: Cyber Threat	01/07/24		1:30	The Fact Check Team reports Aliquippa, a small town in western Pennsylvania, is one of the latest victims to experience an international cyberattack putting its water utilities at risk
The National Desk; FCT: Cyber Threat	01/07/24		1:18	The Fact Check Team says there are over 2,200 cyberattacks each day, translating to one attack every 39 seconds and over 800,000 annually.
The National Desk; Treatment Center	01/07/24		1:04	Reporter Emily Girsch reports on a boutique hotel in Portland, Oregon will soon house drug addicts and become a treatment center as the drug crisis reaches critical levels across that city
The National Desk; Interview	01/07/24		3:48	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Steve Moore about a recent poll that shows Biden's approval rate going down to 34%
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	01/07/24		6:07	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, from migrant surge to Harvard President stepping down.
The National Desk; Hunter Contempt	01/14/24		1:51	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports on the House oversight committee which voted to hold Hunter Biden in contempt of Congress.
The National Desk; FCT: Hunter Biden	01/14/24		1:27	The Fact Check Team reports last month, a federal grand jury in California indicted Hunter Biden on 9 tax-related charges
The National Desk; FCT Hunter Biden	01/14/24		1:50	The Fact Check Team says Today, the House took steps to hold Hunter Biden in contempt of Congress

The National Desk; Officers Shot	01/14/24		1:36	Reporter Janae Bowens reports explains why more officers were shot in the line of duty in 20-23 than ever before and what can be done to stop it
The National Desk; SOCIAL MEDIA ESTEEM	01/14/24		2:04	Reporter Janae Bowens reports constant exposure to social media is robbing children of their normal childhood experiences and creating a generation of problems.
The National Desk; Interview	01/14/24		3:42	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat talked to Mark Morgan on the record number of officers shot and border policy.
The National Desk; Interview	01/14/24		3:11	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat talked to Steve Moore on population and government regulations.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	01/14/24		4:50	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington from Iowa Caucus to possible impeachment of Mayorkas.
The National Desk; HAMAS HOSTAGES	01/21/24		1:58	Correspondent Kayla Gaskins reports about Bipartisan group of senators observes the 100 <sup>th</sup> day anniversary since Hamas attacked Israel and took hostages. They will hear from family members with loved ones still held by the terrorist group.
The National Desk; Inflation	01/21/24		2:03	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on the labor department data showing the rate of consumer inflation slowed down once again.
The National Desk; FCT Foreign investments in land	01/21/24		1:21	The Fact Check Team says according to the American Farm Bureau, foreign investors owned over 40 million acres of U.S. agricultural land (1.8% of all land in the U.S. and 3.1% of all privately held agricultural land)
The National Desk; FCTAI's impact on jobs/stock market	01/21/24		1:40	The Fact Check Team says A new IMF report warns that AI will impact almost 40% of jobs around the world, whether that be replacing them or complimenting them
The National Desk; Interview	01/21/24		3:50	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Dr. Paul Marik on treatment option that doctors are recommending for long covid sufferers.
The National Desk; Interview	01/21/24		3:35	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Grover Norquist on tax reform
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	01/21/24		4:56	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing on caucuses in Iowa to warning for democrats about campaign.



The National Desk; Migrant Crisis	01/28/24		2:05	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports about House Republicans continue their push to impeach DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas as more Democrats raise concerns about security at the border. A new poll in California shows an overwhelming majority of voters there say the border isn't secure and there's more fallout in areas far away from the border where migrants are being sent.
The National Desk; Biden Age	01/28/24		1:59	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on how the president views his age, polls showing voters are concerned too.
The National Desk; FCT Global Coal Production/Demand	01/28/24		1:00	The Fact Check Team reports that the demand for coal has surged to an all-time high in 2023, surpassing 8.5 billion tonnes for the first time, according to the IEA.
	01/28/24			
The National Desk; FCT State Budget	01/28/24		1:21	The Fact Check Team reports that according to NASB officers the vast majority of states ended the year with a budget surplus.
The National Desk; Interview	01/28/24		3:58	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Mark Fisher on black voters losing faith in President Biden.
The National Desk; Minimum Wage	01/28/24		1:25	Reporter Janae Bowens reports on minimum wage increase in more than 20 states.
The National Desk; Doom Spending	01/28/24		1:27	Reporter Angela Brown reports on Americans spending more than economists expecting and increased spending could have a darker side.
The National Desk; Housing Market	01/28/24		1:57	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on how the housing market may look like next year.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	01/28/24		5:44	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing on Colorado SC barring Trump from 2024 ballot.

<b>Program/Episode</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Airtime</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Description</b>
The National Desk;	02/04/24		1:34	Reporter Jane Bowens
The National Desk; CHINA CYBER THREAT	02/04/24		2:00	Correspondent Kayla Gaskins reports FBI director will tell Congress today that China is ready to attack US electrical grids, gas & oil pipelines, transportation systems water treatment plants with cyberattacks
The National Desk; social Media Kids	02/04/24		2:00	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on parents whose kids have been victims of social media exploitation and or bullying to get their reaction to yesterday's Senate hearing where heads of social media companies were grilled.

The National Desk; Interview	02/04/24		3:48	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Steve Moore about an analysis that shows support could have less influence with union membership.
The National Desk; FCT: Border	02/04/24		1:30	The Fact Check Team reports that Texas Democrats are calling on Biden to take control of the state's National Guard
The National Desk; FCT: Cellphones in school	02/04/24		1:20	The Fact Check Team says according to federal data, 77% of schools ban cellphones during the 2019-2020 school year
The National Desk; Sanctuary Cities	02/04/24		2:01	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey taking heat for closing an inner-city shelter in Boston housing migrants. That as cities across the US feel the financial pain of skyrocketing costs to house and feed migrants with leaders in Sanctuary cities now leaning on the federal government to help.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	02/04/24		5:44	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing on a poll in the presidential race that could raise concern for Trump.
The National Desk; MIGRANT CRIMES	02/11/24		2:00	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports People who are accused of beating up a NYPD officer – migrants on the run have been apprehended in Arizona. The suspects were previously arrested but released from NYC jail on no bail. Raising the questions and concerns about whether no-bail polices work.
The National Desk; FITNESS OF PRESIDENT BIDEN	02/11/24		2:37	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports Special prosecutor's report on Pres. Biden's handling of classified documents underscored memory issues. Even when Biden addressed this during his speech last night and committed a gaffe.
The National Desk; FCT: Immigration Court Backlogs	02/11/24		1:45	The Fact Check Team reports the immigration court backlog has passed 3 million cases
The National Desk; FCT GenZ Finances	02/11/24		1:34	The Fact Check Team says according to A new Wallethub survey found GenZ is the least financially confident generation, with more than 1 in 4 saying they aren't confident about their knowledge/skills
The National Desk; Interview	02/11/24		3:29	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed AG Steve Marshall about Alabama leading the charge to ban experimental sex change procedures on children.
The National Desk; CARJACKING SPIKE IN WASHINGTON DC	02/11/24		2:01	Correspondent Kayla Gaskins reports Former Trump administration official, Mike Gill, was killed during a

				recent carjacking in and around Washington, DC. Carjackings have spiked in cities across the U.S.
The National Desk; CONTROVERSIAL CUSTODY	02/11/24		2:15	Reporter Janae Bowens reports about a New York father says a court stripped him of custody of his child after he objected to their gender transition.
The National Desk; PRICE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS	02/11/24		2:04	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports Big pharma CEOs will be on the Hill today to answer questions in a Senate committee over the price of prescription drugs.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	02/11/24		5:16	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing fallout of the special council's report on President Biden's mishandling of classified documents.
The National Desk; RUSSIA'S NUCLEAR CAPABILITY IN SPACE	02/18/24		2:05	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports that the House intelligence chairman wants what he has determined as a "serious national security threat" declassified. It apparently revolves around Russia's new capability to launch space-based antisatellite nuclear missiles.
The National Desk; Fani Willis Latest	02/18/24		1:57	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on hearing for Georgia DA resumes. Lead prosecutor in Trump's election interference case, Willis is under scrutiny for a relationship some allege she stood/stands to profit from.
The National Desk; Life On Hold	02/18/24		1:57	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports higher cost of living means more young adults are living at home for longer and continue to get cash handouts from mom and dad. This means putting off big life decisions like marriage, buying a home and starting a family
The National Desk; FCT 25 <sup>th</sup> amendment	02/18/24		1:13	The Fact Check Team says the first three sections of the 25 <sup>th</sup> amendment have been used before (6 times in total) but section 4 has never been used.
The National Desk; FCT FOOD PRICES	02/18/24		1:22	The Fact Check Team says Grocery prices have risen as well, with the food at home index, which largely accounts for money spent on groceries, up 0.4% from December. The prices rose 1.2% over the last year. However, data from January 2023 paints a bleaker picture comparatively – with prices up 11.3% during the preceding twelve months.
The National Desk; Interview	02/18/24		4:31	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Brandon Arnold on high prices forcing some businesses and hard-working Americans into bankruptcy.
The National Desk; Inmate deaths	02/18/24		2:05	Reporter Janae Bowens reports on a new watchdog report has revealed how the Federal Bureau of Prisons

				failed to prevent the suicide deaths of more than 200 inmates.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	02/18/24		6:16	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing on Biden’s mental fitness to new details about serious national threat.
The National Desk; INCREASING NUMBER OF CHINESE MIGRANTS HEAD TO THE U.S.	02/25/24		2:02	Correspondent Kayla Gaskins reports about rising number of Chinese are crossing over the U.S. -Mexico border. Some lawmakers are trying to determine why this is happening.
The National Desk; PROTESTING PRESIDENT BIDEN IN MICHIGAN	02/25/24		2:01	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports Group of progressive Democrats along with Arab-American organizations are encouraging voters to choose “uncommitted” in next week’s Michigan primary. The aim is to send a strong message over how he has handled the Israel/Hamas war.
The National Desk; CHINA’S CYBER THREAT	02/25/24	10,11	2:33	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports FBI Director Christopher Wray warning that cyberattack potential from China are at “a scale greater than we’ve seen before” and malware is in place to disrupt critical infrastructure in America.
The National Desk; FCT Auto insurance/car theft	02/25/24		1:33	The Fact Check Team reports Car thefts increased 23% last year (according to data from the Council on Criminal Justice)
The National Desk; FCT Red sea shipping crisis	02/25/24	10,11	1:22	The Fact Check Team reports the Houthis are a Shia militia based in Yemen, which is one of the poorest countries in the Middle East
The National Desk; Interview	02/25/24		3:47	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Elaine Parker on crime and inflation causing businesses to shutdown.
The National Desk; DOCTOR BURNOUT	02/25/24		1:55	Reporter Janae Bowens looks into how AI can assist the 93% of doctors who are experiencing burnout. Many of these doctors are under immense stress and are even considering leaving the profession. This could further worsen the healthcare industry, which is already experiencing a shortage of doctors.
The National Desk; Interview	02/25/24		4:02	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Director of General Economics at the CATO Institute, Scott Lincicome.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	02/25/24		5:58	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing from the Biden Family business investigation to the GOP’s possible presidential ticket.

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The National Desk; Affordable Connectivity	03/03/24		1:53	Reporter Jane Bowens looks into the program that helps 23 million low-income households with their internet bills. However, the funding for this program is expected to run out by April. Despite its bipartisan support, concerns are raised about possible abuse of the program by individuals who do not need it
The National Desk; US Tech Russia	03/03/24		2:06	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on senators investigating why US and Allies sanctions are not as punishing for Russians to step back from the conflict.
The National Desk; State of Economy	03/03/24		2:03	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports on inflation rate, where it shows that the rate in January was lower than it was a year ago but month-month rate was slightly higher.
The National Desk; Interview	03/03/24		5:53	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Mark Morgan about killing of Georgia student Laken Riley by an undocumented migrant raising concerns about border security
The National Desk; FCT: Google/AI	03/03/24		1:21	The Fact Check Team reports according to IBM, AI bias – also referred to as “machine learning bias” or “algorithm bias” can be found in the initial training data, the algorithm or the content the algorithm produces
The National Desk; FCT: Social Media Bans	03/03/24		1:23	The Fact Check Team says this bill draws constitutional challenges from critics, calling it a free speech violation.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	03/03/24		5:36	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing on latest inflation report and major developments in former President Trump’s legal trials.
The National Desk;	03/10/24		2:00	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports
The National Desk; Pro- Palestinian Protests	03/10/24		2:01	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports the president grappling with growing pressure from both parties to establish a ceasefire in the Israel Hamas war
The National Desk; Interview	03/10/24		2:58	Anchor Dee Dee interviewed Texas attorney providing information to those impacted by the fires--now on the road to recovery.
The National Desk; FCT: Retail Theft	03/10/24		1:40	The Fact Check Team reports between 2022 and December 2023, at least 15 states have passed laws targeting retail theft according to the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL).
The National Desk; FCT Police Officers Killed	03/10/24		1:19	The Fact Check Team says Officer deaths are placed into one of two categories: felonious or accidental

The National Desk; Interview	03/10/24		4:29	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Mark Morgan about 320,000 migrants flying into U.S. using CBP one app.
The National Desk; Guaranteed Income	03/10/24		2:03	Correspondent Kayla Gaskins reports according to a daily-mail-dot-com analysis dozens of guaranteed income projects across the country have given away millions of taxpayer dollars to families below the poverty line with no restrictions on how to spend the money.
The National Desk; OTC Birth Control	03/10/24		1:35	Reporter Janae Bowens reports for the first time in the U.S. women of all ages will be able to buy over-the-counter birth control pills starting this month, it's a win for reproductive activists, but others say it's going to do more harm than good.
The National Desk; TikTok Ban	03/10/24		2:07	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports TikTok is one of the most popular apps out there but leaders in Washington say it poses such a large national security risk that something has to change, and soon.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	03/10/24		5:46	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing state of the race to white house to new policies tackling crime.
The National Desk; Haiti Migrants	03/17/24		1:58	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports chaos still unfolding in Haiti with criminal gang groups controlling the capital city in the u-s that's leading to concerns the unrest could add to struggles at our own borders.
The National Desk; AI Regulation	03/17/24		1:57	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports the European union now leads the world in artificial intelligence regulation. It passed a sweeping law intended to ensure responsible use and development of a-i. here in the U.S. members of congress also want to get something done
The National Desk; FCT Biden's budget	03/17/24		1:23	The Fact Check Team says the president's budget is nothing more than a policy tool used to express their goals
The National Desk; FCT Squatter's Rights	03/17/24		1:19	The Fact Check Team says all 50 states have squatters' rights, but how and when they are enforced varies by state
The National Desk; Interview	03/17/24		3:06	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Mark Morgan about Biden's border policies.
The National Desk; Interview	03/17/24		2:53	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Brandon Arnold on President Biden's new budget proposal includes the largest tax hike in American history at nearly 5 trillion dollars.

The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	03/17/24		6:02	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing on a third option in 2024 Presidential Election
The National Desk; China Tech Threats	03/24/24		1:52	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports as senate leadership hasn't decided how, or whether, to move forward with a ---bipartisan bill--- that would force TikTok to be sold by its ---Chinese parent company-- or be banned in the U.S. senators recently received a classified briefing on the issue.
The National Desk; Sanctuary Cities	03/24/24		2:07	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports there appears to be a realignment in some parts of this country despite calls to continue with humanitarian sanctuary polices some leaders even in deep blue cities and states are changing course
The National Desk; US Economy	03/24/24	10,11	2:05	Correspondent Ahtra Elnashar reports a record-breaking week on wall street. Dow, s&p and Nasdaq all closing at all-time highs after remarks from federal reserve chair Jerome Powell about the fight against inflation. the fed just voted to hold interest rates steady, painful for anybody planning to take out a loan, but maintained a relatively optimistic outlook
The National Desk; FCT Food additive ban	03/24/24		1:08	The Fact Check Team reports California proposed a bill that would ban public schools from offering, settling or otherwise providing any food products that contain 7 artificial dyes (Blue 1, Blue 2, Green 3, Red 40, Yellow 5, Yellow 6, Titanium Dioxide)
The National Desk; FCT Food additive ban	03/24/24	10,11	1:19	The Fact Check Team reports Illinois and New York are considering similar bans
The National Desk; Interview	03/24/24		4:39	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Mark Morgan on 29-year old Ader-bis-- Pirela was on Interpol's top 10 most wanted tied to at least 4 murders, drug trafficking, and extortion with warrants out of Colombia.
The National Desk; Women's Pay	03/24/24		1:39	Reporter Janae Bowens looks into issues and possible fix as to why women in the workplace are feeling frustrated as they're stuck with fewer raises and promotions.
The National Desk; Interview	03/24/24		3:41	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Steve Moore about U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, that shows government employees make 40% more than workers in the private sector
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	03/24/24		5:14	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing from possible new restrictions on gas vehicles to new challenges in the border crisis.

The National Desk; SCOTUS Abortion Pill	03/31/24		2:01	Correspondent Kayla Gaskins reports on the justices weighing the biggest abortion case since it overturned - 'roe v wade'.
The National Desk; AI Election Impact	03/31/24		2:05	Correspondent Kristine Frazao reports this year will be like no other with warnings artificial intelligence could be a major threat including in the days just before Americans head to the polls in November
The National Desk; FCT EU Big Tech investigations	03/31/24		1:16	The Fact Check Team reports earlier this month, the EU imposed a penalty against Apple (nearly \$2b) for unfairly favoring its own music streaming service
The National Desk; FCT Gas car ban	03/31/24	10,11	1:19	The Fact Check Team reports at least 8 states plan to ban the sale of new gas cars after 2035
The National Desk; Interview	03/31/24		4:39	Anchor Angela Brown interviewed Steeve Moore about DOJ suing Apple accusing them of being a monopoly and harming customers by driving up costa.
The National Desk; Interview	03/31/24		4:39	Anchor Angela Brown interviewed Mark Morgan about border impact.
The National Desk; Ronna McDaniel Dumped	03/31/24		1:46	Reporter Janae Bowens looks into NBC getting heat for firing their newest commentator, former RNC chair--- Ronna McDaniel. Critics are accusing the network of a double standard and being biased against pro-trump voices.
The National Desk; Interview	03/31/24		4:02	Anchor Jan Jeffcoat interviewed Director of General Economics at the CATO Institute, Scott Lincicome.
The National Desk; Weekend Roundtable	03/31/24		5:12	Our team of Washington correspondents break down what happened during the past week in Washington, focusing from the terrorist threat at the border to a spike in gas prices and the fight against inflation.

### **Full Measure with Sharyl Attkisson**

**Duration 30:00**

**Sundays 9:30am and 11:05pm**

Full Measure is a broadcast focusing on investigative, original and accountability reporting unique in today's media. The host is Sharyl Attkisson. The show format will include a major investigative piece each week on topics ranging from immigration issues at home and abroad, government waste, national security concerns and vulnerabilities, whistleblower reports on government abuse and misdeeds. Full Measure is produced by and airs nationally on stations of the Sinclair Broadcast Group. The program also streams live on all Sinclair websites on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. ET.

Full Measure Episode List from January 7-March 31, 2024



Program/episode	Date	A i r T i m e	Duration	Description
FMS9E1801072024	Jan7,2024		22:55	The investigations on government efforts to obstruct free speech. The tunnel war in Gaza and why the world should pay attention. And a look at dark money in the 2024 election.
FMS9E1901142024	Jan14,2024		22:55	Scientific research links water contaminants to sex changes in animals. Rising tensions in the Middle East. And a surprising way to recover mutilated money.
FMS9E2001212024	Jan21,2024		22:55	Potential child victims of Covid clinical trials. Concerns about America's military readiness. And U.S. government science licensed to foreign adversaries.
FMS9E2101282024	Jan28,2024		22:55	A disturbing spike in juvenile crime. A reality check on the mysterious Havana syndrome. And a new documentary examines censored science

				during Covid.
FMS9E220204,2024	Feb4,2024		22:55	Texas vs. Biden at the southern border. Escalating conflict between the U.S. and Iran. And a look at a critical resource, helium, in short supply.
FMS9E2302112024	Feb11,2024		22:55	Reshaping the meaning of words to influence social agendas. The state of U.S. sanctions against Iran. And the foreign thirst for American water.
FMS9E2402182024	Feb18,2024		22:55	Inside the IRS investigation into Hunter Biden and links to President Biden. And the push to stop China from using our own technology against us.
FMS9E2502252024	Feb25,2024		22:55	An examination of media mistakes during the Trump and Biden presidencies. How workers' unions are impacting the presidential election. And following the money on anti-Jewish sentiment on campus.
FMS9E2603032024	March3,2024		22:55	Long wait times to see a doctor. Concerns about kids and their parents making millions off social media. And a visit to the place where Pluto was discovered.
FMS9E2703102024	March10,2024		22:55	The push for offshore wind power

				encounters headwinds. Investigating ties between dieticians and companies making unhealthy food. And a look back at America's heroic truth-tellers.
FMS9E2803172024	March17,2024		22:55	The push for ranked choice voting. The North Korea threat. And taxpayer money funding controversial podcasts.
FMS9E2903242024	March24,2024		22:55	Cuba's Soviet-modeled economy shifts toward capitalism. President Biden accused of playing politics with U.S. energy. And the push for a guaranteed income.
FMS9E3003312024	March31,2024		22:55	Reshaping the meaning of words to influence social agendas. The state of U.S. sanctions against Iran. And the foreign thirst for American water.

WABM, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA  
QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST  
1ST QUARTER 2024

BELOW IS A LIST OF ISSUES RESPONDED TO BY WABM, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

ISSUE	PROGRAM	DATE(S)	TIME	DURATION	DESCRIPTION
STEVE AMMONS OF THE BIRMINGHAM BUSINESS ALLIANCE	OUR ISSUES BIRMINGHAM	1/07 & 1/14	10:00 PM	22:00	STEVE AMMONS OF THE BBA SPEAKING ON THE CURRENT BUSINESS SCENE IN BIRMINGHAM AND NEW VENTURES
RICK CARTER A TRUE ALABAMA TROUBADOUR	OUR ISSUES BIRMINGHAM	1/21 & 1/28	10:00 PM	22:00	ALABAMA MUSIC LEGEND RICK CARTER DISCUSSING HIS LIFE AND LEGACY IN MUSIC AS

					WELL AS HIS NEW BOOK ABOUT HIS LIFE AND EXPERIENCES.
ELI GOLD FORMER SPORTSCASTER FOR ALABAMA FOOTBALL	OUR ISSUES BIRMINGHAM	2/4 & 2/11 2/18 & 2/25	10:00 PM	22:00	ELI GOLD, FORMER UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA FOOTBALL SPORTSCASTER DISCUSSES HIS LIFE AND LEGACY IN HIS SPORTSCASTING CAREER
JUDGE STEPHEN WALLACE	OUR ISSUES BIRMINGHAM	2/25 & 3/3	10:00 PM	22:00	JUDGE STEPHEN WALLACE, CIRCUIT COURT CRIMINAL JUDGE IN BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA DISCUSSES THE STATE OF THE CITY'S CRIME RATE AND COMMUNITY ISSUES
KARLA KHODANIAN OF THE BBA, CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER	OUR ISSUES BIRMINGHAM	3/17 & 3/24	10:00 PM	22:00	KARLA KHODANIAN SPEAKING ON HER CAREER PATH AND INFORMATION ABOUT THE BBA AND WHAT THEY DO FOR THE COMMUNITY OF BIRMINGHAM
SAUNDRA IVEY SHELBY COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY	OUR ISSUES BIRMINGHAM	3/31	10:00 PM	22:00	A CONVERSATION WITH SAUNDRA IVEY ON HER WORK WITH SHELBY HUMANE SOCIETY AND INFORMATION FOR THE LOCAL COMMUNITY ON ADOPTING A PET

WABM, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA  
COMMUNITY EVENTS  
1st QUARTER 2024

BELOW IS A LIST OF COMMUNITY EVENTS SUPPORTED BY WABM, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

EVENT	SUPPORT	DESCRIPTION
One Yard at a Time Gala 2/23/24	ON AIR SCHEDULE	One Yard at a Time Gala is a Lettermen USA supported event at The Club in Birmingham, Alabama. The Athletic Honoree was former University of Alabama Football Running Back Major Ogilvie. Lettermen USA is a national social impact organization that harnesses former athletes and coaches to help members of local communities in need.
Weather Radio Programming 3/26/24	ON AIR SCHEDULE, ON SITE METEOROLOGIST JAMES SPANN, SALES TEAM AND INTERNS	The Weather Radio Programming event was held at Lowe's in Alabaster. Sponsored by the Drummond Company. Hosted by Meteorologist James Spann and the sales team. Weather Radios were programmed for free as a service to the general public.