

# WDSI-TV

This station provides a free online community bulletin board allowing residents of our DMA to post for free a variety of community-oriented information.

Below is a list of some of the significant issues responded to by WDSI-TV, Chattanooga, TN, along with the most significant treatment of those issues for the period January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

Regular Programs					
Description of Issue	Regular Program	Air Date	Time	Duration	Narration of Type
<b>Public Health</b>					
Tennessee bill introducing anesthesiologist assistants raises cost, quality concerns	GMC FOX Edition	03/12/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	1:45	A bill that would approve a new role for anesthesia providers in the state of Tennessee continues to make its way through the legislature. We asked experts on both sides how this bill could affect anesthesia access for residents in our area.
Shortage prompts Blood Assurance to ask 70 hospitals to postpone elective surgeries	GMC FOX Edition	01/11/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P -2P	1:45	Blood supply problems persist for Blood Assurance. The non-profit asked 70 area hospitals on Thursday to postpone all of their scheduled elective surgeries "due to a significant decrease in blood donations related to the weather."
Under the microscope: What bacteria are you touching around Chattanooga?	GMC FOX Edition	03/22/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	We know it's important to avoid germs. But how many germs are on things we use everyday? We swabbed commonly used items around Chattanooga and took the results to the experts.
Wildfire smoke lowers	GMC FOX Edition	02/26/24	newscast is Rebroadcast	2:00	Air quality across our area reached an

Chattanooga's air quality to unhealthy levels			12P – 2P		unhealthy range Monday due to smoke from several wildfires. Particles from that smoke can enter your lungs and bloodstream, and can cause health problems for sensitive groups. This air quality alert arrives as residents prepare for allergy season.
<b>Business / Economy</b>					
Chattanooga woman narrowly escapes medical records scam: How to protect yourself	GMC FOX Edition	03/28/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	Scammers are ramping up their efforts to trick people out of their money using their old medical records. And one Chattanooga woman almost became a victim. We looked into how to keep yourself from getting trapped into this kind of scam.
Cleveland mother struggles with SNAP application, echoing Tennessee's widespread issue	GMC FOX Edition	01/30/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	Imagine depending on an online application to make sure your kids have something to eat. That's been the reality for one Cleveland mother for several weeks now. Jamie Simmons is trying to apply for Tennessee's SNAP assistance. She says she spent 3 weeks on her phone for 2 hours every day, trying to work out a wrinkle in her SNAP application.
Draining prospects: Lack of plumbers in Tennessee, Georgia could	GMC FOX Edition	03/20/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	The last time you needed a plumber, how much did you pay them? Trends are showing there's a good chance you'll be paying a lot

soon have you paying more					more before the decade is out. We took a closer look at downward trend in new plumbers that may give customers a sinking feeling.
Tennesseans could see lower prices at grocery store under bill that would end sales tax	GMC FOX Edition	03/12/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	Soon, you may see the cost of groceries going down in Tennessee. That's thanks to a bill making its way through legislature that would prohibit state and local governments from taxing groceries.
Chattanooga shows fewer office vacancies despite national remote work trend	GMC: FOX Edition	01/24/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	1:45	Nationally, office vacancy rates are at an all time high, according to Moody's Analytics. The financial services company says more office space is sitting empty right now in the United States than at any point since 1979. Experts are saying this is mainly due to a major shift from in person to remote employment during the pandemic and directly following it.
<b>Charity / Community</b>					
Volunteers help Chattanooga's neediest have a happy Easter	GMC FOX Edition	03/29/24	Newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	Volunteers with the Chattanooga Rescue Mission made a difference on Easter Sunday.
'Remarkable:' Chattanooga girl raises thousands to help the homeless community	GMC FOX Edition	02/12/24	Newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	3:00	A Chattanooga 9-year-old who was given a second chance at life is giving back to the homeless community so they can have another chance too. On this Pay It Forward, sponsored by

					the McMahan Law Firm, we surprise her.
<b>Children / Schools</b>					
What will schools in our area do to ensure student safety during upcoming solar eclipse?	GMC FOX Edition	03/27/24	Newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	We are less than 2 weeks from the solar eclipse, and more schools in our area are making plans for staff and students. Only certain states will be in the path of totality for the eclipse on April 8th. That raises the question, how will schools that decide to stay open make sure they are keeping students safe?
School violence threats rise in Tennessee: What's causing this disturbing trend?	GMC FOX Edition	02/15/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	School threats are, thankfully, false alarms in the vast majority of cases. But they are still a reason for parents, student, and teachers to worry when it happens. A new study from the TN Safe Schools Report found that we are seeing and hearing about threats more often in Tennessee schools.
Hamilton County Schools aim for all students to succeed with new '2030' plan improvements	GMC FOX Edition	02/13/24	Newscast is rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:30	Hamilton County School leaders came together to address the public on the growth and progress of schools across the district Tuesday night. Their main focus? A plan set in motion to improve the district by 2030.
Tennessee governor's proposal for statewide school vouchers raises capacity concerns	GMC FOX Edition	02/06/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	For nearly five years, Tennessee Governor Bill Lee has aimed for universal school voucher expansion throughout the entire state. According to the

					governor’s office, he pitched spending \$141 million to create the Education Freedom scholarships. This voucher program will allow families to use public funds for non-public education. But many are wondering if local private schools can handle a potential increase in capacity if the proposal gets passed.
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<b>Public Safety</b>					
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Chattanooga police expanding real time intelligence with innovative body camera tool	GMC FOX Edition	03/27/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	Chattanooga Police unveiled an expansion of their real time intelligence center Wednesday. It can now add officers' body cameras to stationary cameras already up across the city, allowing them to watch potential crime situations as they happen. We spoke with the department about how this works.
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Chattanooga Mayor, Police Chief discuss crime in our 'Safer Scenic City' town hall State leaders propose bill aimed at repeat offenders as public safety concerns linger	GMC FOX Edition	1/26/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	90 min	What is the City of Chattanooga doing to address crime? We posed that question to Chattanooga Police Chief Celeste Murphy and Mayor Tim Kelly Friday evening in our 'Safer Scenic City' town hall.
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State leaders propose bill aimed at repeat offenders as	GMC FOX Edition	01/29/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	While concerns for public safety remains, state leaders introduce a justice reform bill that
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public safety concerns linger					focuses on repeat offenders. Some people who are sentenced for a crime never really serve their full time, and there's a chance that they will commit another crime when released. But to discourage those individuals, Senator Bo Watson proposes new legislation.
Tennessee bill may push juvenile offenders to adult court for shoplifting, gun theft	GMC FOX Edition	03/21/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	A bill passed by Tennessee lawmakers would give prosecutors the option to move more juvenile offenders to adult criminal court. Senate Bill 2569 would let a juvenile court transfer a child 15 years or older to adult court for organized retail crime like shoplifting, or stealing a gun.
<b>Government</b>					
Will new Chattanooga Lookouts Stadium project be worth the cost? Officials debate	GMC FOX Edition	01/11/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	Hamilton County officials say the new Lookouts Stadium project could cost taxpayers nearly \$140 million. The new price tag comes after developers raised the price from an \$80 million estimate to \$120 million. So where does the extra \$20 million come from? We take a closer look.
Audit findings in Polk County go uncorrected, Tennessee's	GMC FOX Edition	03/22/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	1:00	One year later, Tennessee's financial watchdog says Polk County government has not corrected its findings

comptroller says					from a 2022 audit. Tennessee Comptroller Jason Mumpower's annual audit of the Polk County government includes 11 findings, eight of which were also noted in the previous year's report. One finding has been repeated in a total of 12 annual audits.
Federal dollars now earmarked for improvements on these 3 major Chattanooga roadways	GMC FOX Edition	03/25/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	3 major roadways in Chattanooga could soon see improvements thanks to funding from the U.S. government. Mayor Tim Kelly and Tennessee Congressman Chuck Fleischmann announced the community projects Monday. The federal funding will focus on 3 areas: Cummings Highway, the Alton Park Connector, and Broad Street.
Chattanooga secures \$4M for pedestrian safety upgrades in accident-prone areas	GMC FOX Edition	02/01/24	newscast is Rebroadcast 12P – 2P	2:00	The city of Chattanooga will receive \$4 million to improve pedestrian safety and connectivity. Some of the changes will go up in the exact spot where a student was hit by a car outside of Chattanooga School for the Arts & Sciences (CSAS). The city will make these improvements through 2 different grants from the U.S. Department of Transportation.

**Regularly Scheduled Programs**

Local news, weather, current world events	GMC FOX Edition	Monday – Friday 12P – 2P	In GMC FOX Edition Rebroadcast	2 hours	Local and world news events and local weather information

**Public Service Announcements**

Station WDSI-TV, Chattanooga, TN aired public service announcements during this quarter, covering a number of topics that range from education, health, public safety, etc. These public service announcements air at various times and may run anywhere from 0:05 seconds to 0:90 seconds in length. Station WDSI-TV regularly airs public notice announcements notifying the public about the availability of children’s programming, equal employment opportunity, and public file reports. Station WDSI is a participating station in our area’s Emergency Alert system.

PSA Launch Chattanooga Kick Start	GMC: FOX Edition	Monday - Friday	In GMC FOX Edition Rebroadcast	:30	Promotes local businesses starting up
Find Everything	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Gun safety and how important it is around a home with children
Santiago	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	High School Equivalency
Suitcase	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Adoption from Foster Care
Meet the Scan	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Lung Cancer Screening
Real Deal: Anthem	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Fentanyl Awareness
Me and My Grownup	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Adoption
Isabella Gomez	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	High School Equivalency
Play Catch with Her	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Fatherhood Involvement

It's Joust Not Worth It	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Don't Text and Drive
Waterboy	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:15	Drunk Driving Prevention
Real Deal: Chemistry	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:15	Fentanyl Awareness
Totally Worth It	Made in Hollywood Teen Ed/Live Life & Learn	Thursdays	6A – 8A	:30	Mental Health - Reach Out
<b>Community Activities</b>					
Weather Radio Local Event	NewsChannel9 on air team	02.22.24	In GMC FOX Edition Rebroadcast	Cut-ins during local news	We helped program weather radios for folks at 2 Elders Ace Hardware stores, in East Ridge & on Signal Mountain.
<b>Personal Appearances</b>					
Josh Robinson, host of The Daily Refresh	Reading in classroom at Battlefield Elementary School	03.06.24	afternoon	Sinclair Cares Children's Reading program	<a href="https://bit.ly/3TYk1sW">https://bit.ly/3TYk1sW</a>
Latricia Thomas, NewsChannel9 anchor	Reading in Classroom At Westview Elementary School	03.08.24	Afternoon	Sinclair Cares Children's Reading program	<a href="https://bit.ly/4agUp9N">https://bit.ly/4agUp9N</a>
Lexie Horvath, NewsChannel9 Meteorologist	Reading in classroom at Woodstation Elementary School		afternoon	Sinclair Cares Children's Reading program	<a href="https://bit.ly/4cA5gUJ">https://bit.ly/4cA5gUJ</a>
James Howard, host of This n That	Helping local teacher get Valentine's Day cards from around the world at	01.26.24	afternoon	Time for talk & visit & questions from the	<a href="https://bit.ly/3VG1DGA">https://bit.ly/3VG1DGA</a>

	Hunter Middle School			class varies	