

## PROGRAM ISSUES REPORT -- WDET-FM NEWS DEPARTMENT

1/1/24- 3/31/24

During this quarter, the WDET news department produced news reports and interviews on a range of topics, including the following:

1. *Education and Youth*
2. *Detroit Revitalization/Image*
3. *Regional Economy/Business*
4. *The Environment*
5. *Politics*
6. *Diversity Issues*
7. *Health and Welfare*
8. *Transportation and Infrastructure*
9. *Regional Culture*

(\*)Wrap (45 - 75 seconds)

(v) Voicer (30 - 60 seconds)

(#)Bite and Copy (30 - 60 seconds)

(ftr) Feature (2 - 9 minutes in length)

(2way/EX2/III2) Interview (2 - 9 minutes in length)

@Special News Coverage (length varies)

All stories were broadcast on one or more of the following programs:

Morning Edition 5 – 9 am M-F

All Things Considered 4 – 7 pm M-F

CultureShift 12 – 2 pm M-F

Weekend Edition Saturday 8 – 10 am Sat M-F

Weekend Edition Sunday 8 – 10 am Sun

### *Education and Youth*

- 1/3 Education—Corewell to hire HFC nursing grads—Tia Graham(v):(45)(7:31am)
- 1/4 Oxford shooting—Jennifer Crumbley wants to ban some witnesses—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(44)(5:04am)
- 1/10 Education—State awards grants to 19 MI colleges—Tia Graham(v):(38)(6:31am)
- 1/15 Wayne State—Word Warriors list adds vigor to vocabulary—Pat Batcheller(2way)(4:15)(5:45am)
- 1/18 Oxford shooting—Judge lets state show video at parents' trials—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(33)(5:31am)
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- 2/2 Education—Hamtramck supt takes leave of absence—Sascha Raiyn(v):(46)(9:04am)
- 2/6 Education—UDM prof explores science, race, and gender—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(6:38)(6:34am)
- 2/7 Oxford shooting—Jury convicts Jennifer Crumbley—Alex M/Jerome V(\*##):(46)(5:04am) 2/9
- 2/9 Education—Whitmer promotes school funding in new budget—Russ McNamara(\*\*##):(40)(5:04am)
- 2/15 Detroit schools—Vitti promotes student progress—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(3:58)(5:45am)
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- 3/4 Oxford shooting—James Crumbley trial starts this week—Quinn Klinefelter(\*#):(48)(5:04am)
- 3/11 Education—WSU prof weighs in on Growing MI school investments—Pat Batcheller(2way)(6:39)(6:34am)
- 3/13 Oxford shooting—James Crumbley trial goes to jury—Quinn K/Alex M(\*):(48)(6:04am)
- 3/15 Oxford shooting—James Crumbley found guilty—Alex McLenon(\*#)(wdet/npr):(41)(5:04am)
- 3/18 Oxford shooting—Juror hopes verdict is warning to parents—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(46)(5:04am)

### *Detroit Revitalization/Image*

- 1/2 Detroit—Police report fewest homicides since 1966—Pat Batcheller(^^):(30)(5:04am)

- 1/3 Detroit—Neighborhoods dept hosts meeting on JLA development—Tia Graham(v):(40)(5:04am)
- 1/11 Detroit—State, city announce grants for five multiuse programs—Nargis Rahman(\*##):(43)(5:04am)
- 1/11 WDET—CuriosiD unravels Outer Drive’s history—Pat Batcheller(ftr)(6:43)(5:34am)
- 1/12 Detroit—Duggan promotes New Center development—Alex McLenon(\*):(44)(6:04am)
  
- 2/6 Detroit—Home Repair Fund is swamped for help—Pat Batcheller(2way)(3:30)(5:45am)
- 2/7 Detroit—City dedicates luxury apts on JLA site—Alex McLenon(\*):(38)(6:31am)
- 2/20 Detroit—Council might vote on New Center tax breaks—Alex McLenon(v):(40)(2:04pm)
  
- 3/4 Detroit—Future City report exposes threats to inherited homes—Amanda LeClaire(2way#)(3:37)(5:45am)
- 3/6 Detroit—Sports dome is going up in Chandler Park—Hernz Laguerre Jr(2way)(3:56)(6:45am)
- 3/13 Detroit—Duggan credits Shot Stoppers for drop in crime—Alex McLenon(\*):(53)(5:04am)
- 3/15 Detroit—Developers delay District Detroit—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(45)(5:31am)
- 3/21 Detroit—Core City residents sue developer over hazardous waste—Bre’Anna Tinsley(###):(40)(5:04am)
- 3/26 Detroit—Moody’s restores city’s bond rating—Bre’Anna Tinsley(\*##):(40)(5:31am)
- 3/26 Detroit—Preservationists seek to save Belle Isle boat house—Amanda LeClaire(2way#)(3:48)(5:45am)

***Regional Economy/Business***

- 1/4 Automotive—Sales rose 12 percent in 2023—Pat Batcheller(^^):(30)(5:04am)
- 1/8 Automotive—Automakers to pay workers more in ’24—Alex McLenon(2way)(3:10)(6:45am)
- 1/10 Detroit—New hotel going up near Huntington Place—Alex McLenon(##):(40)(5:04am)
- 1/12 Automotive—Buttigieg announces \$600M for EV charging network—Alex McLenon(#):(35)(6:04am)
- 1/18 Economy—Biz leader claims Lions’ playoffs boost local economy—Alex McLenon(\*):(34)(6:31am)
  
- 2/5 Automotive—Stellantis to lay off some Detroit workers—Amanda LeClaire(v):(36)(5:04am)
- 2/7 Automotive—Ford loses \$ on EVs, overall biz earns \$4B—Pat Batcheller(^^):(30)(5:04am)
- 2/15 Economy—Whitmer, Yellin speak at Detroit Econ Club—Alex M/Rick P(\*\*###):(41)(5:04am)
- 2/19 Automotive—Biden might delay EV deadline—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(45)(12:04pm)
- 2/29 Automotive—GM, Stellantis recall vehicles—Alex McLenon(v):(44)(5:31am)
  
- 3/1 Economy—Rocket lays off workers—Amanda LeClaire(v):(40)(6:31am)
- 3/7 Automotive—Stellantis to build Challenger EV in Windsor—Alex McLenon(v):(35)(6:04am)
- 3/7 Economy—Detroiters could benefit from credit card late fee cap—Jerome Vaughn(v):(25)(6:31am)
- 3/13 Automotive—GM execs leave for different reasons—Pat Batcheller(^):(30)(5:04am)
- 3/15 Economy—IRS opens taxpayer help center in Detroit—Pat Batcheller(###):(35)(5:31am)

***Environment***

- 1/5 Environment—Great Lakes ice is historically low—Pat Batcheller(2way###)(3:50)(5:04am)
- 1/12 Energy—Duggan talks up solar projects on vacant land—Alex McLenon(#):(35)(8:04am)
- 1/16 Weather—Cold air closes dozens of MI schools—Pat Batcheller(^^):(15)(5:42am)
- 1/26 Energy—DTE, Dearborn work toward green city buildings—Nargis Rahman(2way\*##)(4:07)(5:45am)
- 1/29 Agriculture—UM study shows urban farming leaves big carbon footprint—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(3:58)(5:45am)
  
- 2/9 Weather—Biden OKs disaster aid for 2023 tornadoes—Pat Batcheller(^):(25)(5:04am)
- 2/10 Environment—Macomb Co responds to chemical spill—Amanda L/Nargis R(\*):(50)(8:04am)
- 2/15 Weather—Brief winter storm blows through—Amanda LeClaire(\*):(45)(5:04am)
- 2/21 Environment—Dearborn launches air monitoring program—Amanda LeClaire(\*):(40)(5:04am)
- 2/23 Environment—FEMA opens Clinton Twp temp office—Alex McLenon(\*):(38)(5:04am)

- 3/1 Weather—FEMA opens disaster relief centers in Wayne Co—Nargis Rahman(###)(:40)(5:04am)
- 3/4 Weather—NWS opens new observation center in Detroit—Pat Batcheller(ctr)(4:21)(6:45am)
- 3/5 Energy—Bills would ban campaign \$ from utilities—Russ McNamara(2way)(4:10)(6:45am)
- 3/12 Energy—Jefferson-Chalmers could get solar training hub—Sascha Raiyn(##)(:40)(5:04am)
- 3/12 Environment—Metroparks expand equity education—Sascha Raiyn(#)(:35)(6:31am)

### ***Politics***

- 1/2 Detroit—Council to review new district maps—Laura Herberg(v)(:35)(5:04am)
- 1/2 Detroit—James Tate previews City Council in 2024—Quinn Klinefelter(2way)(6:40)(6:34am)
- 1/3 Michigan politics—Redistricting meeting selects new commissioners—Tia Graham(v)(:47)(6:04am)
- 1/5 Detroit—Santiago-Romero reflects on first term on council—Quinn Klinefelter(2way)(6:09)(6:34am)
- 1/9 Detroit—Councilwoman Waters opposes land value tax—Pat Batcheller(2way##)(6:27)(6:21am)
  
- 2/2 Elections—Abandon Biden campaign rallies in Dearborn—Nargis Rahman(2way\*##)(4:30)(6:45am)
- 2/2 Elections—Biden campaigns at UAW hall—Russ M/Jerome V(###)(:30)(5:04am)
- 2/2 Elections—Redistricting redraw poses challenges—Russ M/Colin J(2way)(3:46)(8:45am)
- 2/9 Gun violence—Sen cmte weighs gun ban at polls—Russ McNamara(####)(:50)(5:31pm)
- 2/12 Whelan in Russia—White House presses for release—Quinn Klinefelter(v)(:45)(5:04am)
  
- 3/1 Elections—Amash joins GOP Senate field—Jerome Vaughn(\*#)(:47)(5:31am)
- 3/6 Warren—Stone dismisses Police Commissioner Bill Dwyer—Pat Batcheller(^)(:30)(5:04am)
- 3/8 Detroit—Mayor presents 2025 budget to council—Alex McLenon(\*##)(:44)(5:31am)
- 3/8 Highland Park—Deal w/ GLWA still not final—Pat B/Laura H(2way)(4:00)(6:45am)
- 3/12 Elections—Rogers and Trump endorse each other—Russ McNamara(v)(:37)(5:04am)

### ***Diversity Issues***

- 1/12 Israel-Hamas war—Tlaib repeats call to end US support for Israel—Russ McNamara(\*#)(:40)(7:31am)
- 1/13 Racism—Politico revisits violence against interracial couple—Amanda LeClaire(2way)(3:30)(8:35am)
- 1/16 Civil rights—Kellogg Foundation holds day of racial healing—Quinn Klinefelter(2way##)(2:51)(5:04am)
- 1/17 Arts&Culture—Jewish Historical Society opens its first exhibit—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(6:44)(6:34am)
- 1/24 Civil rights—ACLU discusses racial disparities in MSP stops—Russ McNamara(2way)(6:17)(5:34am)
  
- 2/1 Israel-Hamas war—Palestinians rally against Biden in Dearborn—Russ McNamara(##)(:50)(5:04am)
- 2/6 Israel-Hamas war—Dearborn leaders blast WSJ op-ed—Nargis R/Steve C(\*###)(:45)(5:04am)
- 2/7 Public safety—Hamtramck's new police chief comes from NYPD—Nargis Rahman(2way)(4:30)(5:45am)
- 2/9 Israel-Hamas war—Aiyash meets Biden aides—Nargis R/Russ M(2way\*##)(6:51)(6:34am)
- 2/20 LGBTQ rights—First senior center for community opens—Amanda LeClaire(#)(:40)(1:04pm)
  
- 3/1 Israel-Hamas war—Tlaib urges Biden to change course on Gaza—Russ McNamara(###)(:45)(5:31am)
- 3/12 Elections—Evans warns against Black voter apathy—Nick A/Pat B(2way####)(4:29)(5:04am)
- 3/19 Justice reform—Rally supports early release for many in prison—Bre' Anna T/Amanda L(###)(:45)(5:31am)
- 3/21 Arts&Culture—Dearborn businesses open late during Ramadan—Nargis Rahman(###)(:40)(5:31am)
- 3/21 Civil rights—Bills would expand MI hate crime law—Rick Pluta(vv)(mprn)(:33)(8:04am)

### ***Health and Welfare***

- 1/9 Health—January is Radon awareness month—Nargis Rahman(2way####)(:35)(7:31am)
- 1/22 Census—MI's aging population poses problems for growth—Russ McNamara(2way)(6:23)(5:34am)
- 1/25 Health—Advocates push to place Muslim foster kids in Muslim homes—Nargis Rahman(ctr)(3:31)(6:45am)

- 1/25 Health—Red Cross offers SB tix for blood donations—Kane Bergstrom(##)(:30)(5:31am)
- 2/6 Water—Dems propose H2O affordability plan—Russ M/Rick P(\*\*####)(wdet/mprn)(:40)(5:04am)
- 2/9 Gun violence—Sen cmte weighs gun ban at polls—Russ McNamara(#####)(:50)(5:31pm)
- 2/22 Health—MI offers new lead poisoning prevention fund—Amanda LeClaire(v)(:41)(6:31am)
- 3/3 Health—MI to spend \$10M to prevent opioid deaths—Sascha Raiyn(v)(:47)(9:04am)
- 3/5 Public safety—Deadly explosion destroys vape pen supplier—Pat Batcheller(^^)(:30)(5:04am)
- 3/7 Health—Local health agencies try to keep measles in check—Jerome Vaughn(v)(:30)(5:31am)
- 3/7 Health—Study says Black women more likely than whites to be killed—Jerome Vaughn(v)(:25)(7:31am)
- 3/11 Health—Dearborn health CEO explains city’s environmental goals—Nargis Rahman(2way####)(4:30)(5:45am)
- 3/12 Health—MI reports first pediatric flu death of season—Pat Batcheller(^)(:30)(6:04am)
- 3/15 Detroit—Tlaib takes on silica operation in neighborhood—Bre’Anna Tinsley(\*##)(:36)(5:04am)
- 3/18 Coronavirus—COVID is more predictable, manageable 4 years later—Pat Batcheller(2way####)(6:20)(5:04am)

***Transportation and Infrastructure***

- 1/5 Transportation—Gordie Howe bridge construction delayed—Alex M/Russ M(####)(:40)(6:04am)
- 1/8 Automotive—More MI drivers buy auto insurance—Laura Herberg(v)(:37)(8:31am)
- 1/12 National defense—Selfridge lands new refueling jets—Pat Batcheller(####)(:40)(4:04pm)
- 1/24 Detroit—DDOT says buses will come more frequently—Tia Graham(v)(:34)(6:31am)
- 1/31 Transportation—Policy makers gather to hear state of transit—Alex McLenon(v)(:44)(5:31am)
- 2/1 Detroit—MEDC approves grant for City Airport work—Alex McLenon(v)(:29)(7:31am)
- 2/8 Transportation—Howe bridge builders invest \$2M in community benefits—Alex McLenon(\*#)(:44)(5:31am)
- 3/6 Transportation—Canada minister visits Howe bridge site—Alex McLenon(\*#)(:43)(5:04am)
- 3/12 Transportation—Disability group offers new interactive transit map—Amanda LeClaire(\*)(:55)(7:04am)
- 3/15 Transportation—MDOT considers “lid” over I-75—Alex McLenon(\*##)(:36)(8:31am)
- 3/18 Education—New program aims to train Detroiters for EV tech jobs—Bre’Anna Tinsley(##)(:40)(5:31am)
- 3/21 Environment—EPA finalizes tailpipe guidelines—Alex McLenon(v)(:35)(5:04am)
- 3/22 Transportation—RTA offers new Detroit to DTW express bus—Bre’Anna Tinsley(##)(:35)(5:04am)
- 3/28 Transportation—TRU laments lack of transit \$ in state budget—Alex McLenon(2way##)(4:16)(5:04am)
- 3/29 Detroit—Alley clean up clears 90k tons of waste and debris—Bre’Anna Tinsley(##)(:40)(5:31am)

***Regional Culture***

- 1/1 Sports—UM faces Alabama in Rose Bowl—Pat Batcheller(2way)(3:56)(5:45am)
- 1/8 Sports—UM faces Washington in CFP final—Pat B/Quinn K(2way\*)(3:55)(5:45am)
- 1/9 Sports—Michigan wins CFP championship—Russ McNamara(#####)(:30)(5:45am)
- 1/10 Sports—Detroit launches pre-NFL Draft activities—Tia Graham(v)(:58)(8:04am)
- 1/13 Sports—Lions prepare for first playoff game at Ford Field—Quinn Klinefelter(ftr)(3:22)(9:35am)
- 2/2 Arts&Culture—DEYA helps connect young people w/ arts—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(6:36)(5:34am)
- 2/5 Sports—Red Wings in prime playoff position at halfway point—Pat Batcheller(2way)(4:16)(5:45am)
- 2/6 Arts&Culture—Maple Theater closes for good—Amanda LeClaire(v)(:42)(6:31am)
- 2/9 Arts&Culture—Detroit seeks poet and composer laureates—Amanda LeClaire(2way\*)(2:58)(6:31am)
- 2/13 Arts&Culture—How to say paczki properly—Amanda LeClaire(2way)(2:32)(6:45am)

- 3/1 Arts&Culture—Clark Park Hockey Assn makes sport accessible to youth—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(6:30)  
(6:34am)
- 3/2 Arts&Culture—Boys/Girls clubs show off fashion in NY—Tia Graham(2way)(3:13)(8:35am)
- 3/6 Arts&Culture—Chef Maxcel Hardy dies at 40—Amanda LeClaire(\*#)(:54)(6:04am)
- 3/9 Arts&Culture—Vernors remains popular in Detroit—Amanda LeClaire(2way/tm)(3:24)(8:35am)
- 3/13 Sports—Farmington Hills wants to lure NFL Draft-related event—Tia Graham(2way)(3:22)(6:45am)