

WCBC FM 107.1 ISSUES

10/1-12/31/2023

PROGRAM	ISSUE	NARRATIVE
News Coverage	Health	During the course of the quarter, WCBC News has interviewed and presented information from all local health officers and medical directors from available local officials, and with state and federal information as provided via Congressional representatives and the state legislative delegation.
Local Public Service Announcements	Community Communications	Local non-profit organizations are the backbone of our community. On a regular basis throughout the broadcast day, we air announcements advertising events, fund raisers, and information about these groups. Some of the groups participated in the production of the announcements.
Weather Round The Clock	Public Safety	<p>WCBC presents up to date weather forecasts every hour of every day, keeping listeners up to date. Classic Hits 107.1 FM also breaks in immediately with weather bulletins from the National Weather Service, ranging from Flood to Flash Flood to Winter Storm Watches and Advisories. When an alert is activated, it is placed directly on the air.</p> <p>WCBC-FM also keeps regular contact with local emergency management officials and has presented localized event updates as warranted.</p>

WCBC-FM News Issues

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As part of our commitment to our coverage area, WCBC-FM covers and presents highlights of meetings, the statements and opinions of those holding elective office, public commentary expressed during open meetings, and the activities of various public and private institutions.

Among the officials we present comments from are Maryland Governor Wes Moore, West Virginia Governor Jim Justice, Pennsylvania Governor Josh Shapiro; US Senators Ben Cardin, Chris Van Hollen, Joe Manchin, Shelley Moore Capito; Congressmen David Trone; Delegates Gary Howell, Jason Buckel; State Senator Michael McKay; Allegany County Commissioners Bill Atkinson, David Caporale, and Creade Brodie Junior; and Cumberland Mayor Ray Morriss and the City Council. We also present the comments of various agency heads and staffers at the local, regional, state and federal levels.

MEMO FOR RECORD

DATE: January 10, 2024

RE: QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM LIST
WCBC-FM, Cumberland, Maryland

Issues of importance to the ALLEGANY & MINERAL COUNTIES area:

DRUGS/OPIOID EPIDEMIC – Although rural, Allegany & Mineral Counties have experienced a significant increase in drug activity especially in the area of Opioid overdoses and drug possession & distribution arrests. The tri-state area has been greatly impacted by the easy access to our area due to highway improvements and the location of prison facilities in our area. The location of the Federal and State prisons here is also causing concern that we are being impacted from a crime/gang perspective related to the drug activity.

ECONOMY/EMPLOYMENT – Like most small towns across the nation, the area is depressed due to lack of new business and just job opportunities in general. Residents want to know about changing technology and opportunities for more jobs in our area.

EDUCATION – Always a major concern, in a period of time when a new school construction is being developed, and testing on State and Federal levels seems to mount each year, residents are extremely concerned with the state of our local school system.

PUBLIC HEALTH – The area has a significantly high percentage of Senior citizens and low-income families, which precipitates higher incidences of health issues.

SENIOR CITIZENS/VETERANS – A large part of the population of the Cumberland/Allegany County area is comprised of senior citizens, many of whom are veterans, and their concerns include health and medical care, living on a fixed income, transportation and housing as well as affording the continuing increase in the cost of living.

TOURISM – A composite of service and tourism related job opportunities is what has become of our economy in this area. Although new businesses are beginning to show interest in the area, the majority seem to be of the service industry to cater to travelers.

QUARTERLY ISSUES
October 1-December 31, 2023
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Listed below are examples of various news stories and programs aired by the station that address local issues.

A complete listing of all news coverage is in the station's office Public File and in the News Archive at wbcradio.com.

October, 2023

Keyser Police Busy with Drug Clean-Up
Berkeley County Sheriff Indicted
Trump Endorses Justice for WV Senate Seat
Gov. Justice Participates in Groundbreaking of Largest Manufacturing Investment in State History
Emergency Tower Repair Needed at Dan's Mountain
WV EMS Gets Overdose Equipment
WV Attorney General Representative Schedules Visits
Jefferson County Experiences Three Suicides of Students
Justice Steps Up for Battle with the NCAA
Anti-Trafficking Program Launched in WV
Governor Justice Invited Students to Participate in Annual Almost Heaven Art Exhibition
WV Gets Grants for Senior Centers
Sandy Hook Mother Speaks at Safety Conference in Charleston

November, 2023

WV Tutor Program Available Online
2024 Health Plan Enrollment Open
West Virginians Reminded to Check Coverage – Medicare Open Enrollment
WV First Foundation Launches
Hampshire County Schools Need to Address Special Education
WV Attorney General will Fight Appeal by GenBioPro
WV DOT Transformed by State's Roads to Prosperity Program
WV Senator Joe Manchin Will Not Seek Senate Seat in 2024
WV Governor Jim Justice Invites West Virginians to Honor Members of the US Military
WV Businesses Warned of Solicitations
\$3 Million in Funding to West Virginia Counties to Assist Fire Services
West Virginia Hunting is On

December, 2023

WV Medicaid Could Lose Money
Anglers Win in Monster Trout Contest
Mini-Grants Available Through Heritage Area
WV Treasurer Disagrees with Climate Envoy, John Kerry on Coal
WV AG Urges Caution with Deliveries
Pregnancy Center Coalition Gets WV Grant
WV Attorney General Warns of "Great" Credit Card Offers
Hampshire County Senior Found Dead
Mineral County Schools and Others in WV Delay Monday Openings
Governor's Schools of West Virginia Accepting Applications

WV Troopers Shot – One Critically, Suspect Dead
Snow Watch – Schools Closed, Opening Late