

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

7/1/23 - 9/30/23

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*

- 7/4 Education—GM gives WSU money to promote STEM courses—Nargis Rahman(v)(:25)(7:04am)
- 7/6 Education—State updates free lunch guidelines—Tia Graham(v)(:28)(5:31am)
- 7/12 Detroit—Metro Detroit Youth Day returns—Nargis Rahman(2way\*##)(4:21)(5:45am)
- 7/13 Education—Reda Taleb writes book for kids of incarcerated people—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(6:39)  
(6:34am)
- 7/19 Education—Reading & Rhythm returns to riverfront—Nia Harris(##)(:40)(5:42am)
- 8/1 Wayne St—WDET revisits 2013 conversation w/ Pres Wilson—Jerome Vaughn(2way)(3:15)(6:45am)
- 8/2 Oxford shooting—Witness suggests Ethan Crumbley is psychotic—Quinn K/Alex M(2way\*##)(:38)  
(5:04am)
- 8/4 Education—Detroit area talent fund helps students pay for college—Nargis Rahman(v)(:49)(5:04am)
- 8/10 Education—Whitmer lays out pre-K plan—Eli Newman(\*##)(:43)(5:04am)
- 8/24 Detroit schools—Homelessness leads to chronic absenteeism—Laura Herberg(2way\*##)(6:50)(5:04am)
- 9/8 Education—Dearborn schools starts a radio station—Tynetta Harris(##)(:35)(6:31am)
- 9/27 Detroit schools—District launches new computer science initiative—Nargis Rahman(##)(:45)(5:31am)
- 9/27 Detroit schools—Vitti outlines equitable school \$ plan—Sascha Raiyn(v)(:49)(5:31am)
- 9/27 Highland Park—Nonprofit razes block to build school—Laura Herberg(\*##)(:40)(6:31am)
- 9/28 Education—Ten MI universities guarantee admission w/ 3 GPA—Sascha R(2way##)(6:21)(8:34am)

## ***Detroit Revitalization/Image***

- 7/5 Detroit—Greektown gets \$ to improve its main street—Eli Newman(v)(:40)(6:31am)
- 7/5 Detroit police—Police commission has new leader—Eli Newman(v)(:40)(5:31am)
- 7/11 Detroit—Survey ranks city 10th most bikeable large US city—Pat Batcheller(2way)(6:47)(6:34am)
- 7/18 Detroit—Zoning board rejects concrete crusher—Eli Newman(\*##)(:45)(5:04am)
- 7/18 Detroit bankruptcy—City marks 10 years since filing—Quinn Klinefelter(ftr)(4:37)(6:45am)
  
- 8/2 Detroit—City cracks down on sign violators—Eli Newman(\*##)(:45)(5:04am)
- 8/2 Detroit—Sheffield, transit activists ride buses—Tynetta Harris(##)(:35)(6:04am)
- 8/10 Detroit—District Detroit opens opportunity center—Eli Newman(\*##)(:46)(5:04am)
- 8/11 Detroit—Neighborhood nonprofit hosts street fair—Nargis Rahman(###)(:35)(6:31am)
- 8/11 Detroit water—DSWD to shut off 750 customers—Eli Newman(\*##)(:55)(5:04am)
  
- 9/1 Detroit—Duggan proposes big property tax cut—Quinn Klinefelter(v)(:40)(5:31am)
- 9/11 NAIAS—Detroit North American Auto Show opens this week—Laura Herberg(\*##)(:40)(5:04am)
- 9/12 Detroit—UM study forecasts steady job growth in city—Russ McNamara(##)(:35)(5:04am)
- 9/13 Detroit—Restaurants can post health status for public—Tynetta Harris(##)(:35)(5:31am)
- 9/14 Detroit—Duggan takes land tax proposal to Lansing—Russ McNamara(##)(:35)(5:04am)

## ***Regional Economy/Business***

- 7/10 Automotive—WH official seeks to smooth UAW talks—Quinn Klinefelter(\*)(:53)(5:04am)
- 7/10 Economy—AA experiments w/ basic income—Pat Batcheller(2way##)(3:42)(5:45am)
- 7/10 Economy—ARPA offers home improvement help—Sascha Raiyn(##)(:40)(6:04am)
- 7/12 XTL—Waffle Café livens up Live-6—Hernz Laguerre, Jr.(ftr)(3:07)(6:45am)
- 7/19 Labor—UPS strike could hurt economy, even a short one—Russ McNamara(2way)(6:08)(5:34am)
  
- 8/9 Automotive—Fain literally trashes Stellantis proposal—Russ McNamara(###)(:40)(5:04am)
- 8/16 Automotive—Detroit sees lack of affordable used cars—Alex McLenon(2way\*#)(4:17)(5:45am)
- 8/16 Labor—UAW plans strike authorization votes—Russ McNamara(\*##)(:45)(5:04am)
- 8/26 Automotive—UAW members authorize strike—Jack Filbrandt(##)(:45)(8:04am)
- 8/31 Energy—MPSC sees comments on utility penalties—Laura Herberg(v)(3:31)(5:31am)
  
- 9/1 Automotive—UAW files unfair labor complaint vs GM, Stellantis—Quinn Klinefelter(\*\*)(1:02)(5:04am)
- 9/5 Automotive—Biden adviser calls on UAW, automakers to make deal—Quinn Klinefelter(2way\*#)(:47)(6:04am)
- 9/6 Automotive—Some automakers pursue hydrogen power—Alex McLenon(ftr)(4:14)(6:44am)
- 9/13 Automotive—Ford makes historic offer to UAW—Pat Batcheller(##)(:35)(5:04am)
- 9/15 UAW strike—Union walks out of three plants—Alex M/Quinn K(\*#####)(:48)(5:04am)

## ***The Environment***

- 7/4 Environment—It's Michigan aquatic invasive species week—Nargis Rahman(v)(:36)(5:31am)
- 7/6 Environment—EGLE wants lakeshore sandbags removed—Eli Newman(\*##)(:43)(5:04am)
- 7/6 Environment—NWF says even mild algal bloom can be harmful—Pat Batcheller(2way####)(6:24)(5:04am)
- 7/7 Environment—Friends of Detroit River raise invasive species awareness—Tynetta Harris(##)(:30)(5:31am)
- 7/7 Environment—MDHHS says don't swallow PFAS—Hernz Laguerre, Jr.(2way)(3:12)(5:45am)

- 8/8 Energy—DTE says it's trying to prevent blackouts—Russ McNamara(ftr)(5:27)(5:34am)
- 8/8 Energy—Frustrated DTE customers vent over outages—Russ M/Zaire D(2way)(2:51)(6:45am)
- 8/10 Environment—EGLE spends \$3M to develop affordable housing—Nargis Rahman(v)(:37)(6:31am)
- 8/11 Detroit—City hosts brownfield conference—Tynetta Harris(##)(:30)(6:04am)
- 8/11 Environment—Bridge Detroit offers food/environment newsletter—Pat Batcheller(2way)(3:55)(6:45am)
- 9/12 Detroit—Mayor names urban agriculture director—Pat Batcheller(###)(:35)(5:04am)
- 9/18 Environment—Metroparks use grant to study stormwater mgmt—Nia Harris(####)(:40)(5:31am)
- 9/19 Environment—Greening of Detroit gets \$10M to plant trees—Tynetta Harris(##)(:35)(8:31am)
- 9/20 Detroit—Urban farmers have advocate at city hall—Pat Batcheller(ftr)(3:33)(5:45am)
- 9/25 Environment—Great Lakes Now names new host—Pat Batcheller(2way)(3:56)(5:45am)

### ***Politics***

- 7/4 Michigan politics—Mike Rogers might run for Senate—Quinn Klinefelter(v)(:49)(6:04am)
- 7/5 Michigan politics—Woman sentenced for threatening Whitmer—Eli Newman(v)(:47)(7:31am)
- 7/11 Detroit—JoAnn Watson has died—Russ McNamara(##)(:35)(5:04am)
- 7/17 Elections—Giffords endorses Slotkin for Senate—Quinn Klinefelter(v)(:49)(6:31am)
- 7/30 Michigan politics—Far right files recalls against 8 lawmakers—Cheyna Roth(2way)(3:50)(9:35am)
- 8/1 Michigan politics—Whitmer signs budget—Eli N/Russ M(\*\*##)(:45)(5:04am)
- 8/2 Warren—Fouts sues Council over ballot exclusion—Pat Batcheller(^)(:35)(6:31am)
- 8/4 Capitol insurrection—Benson reacts to Trump's indictment—Quinn Klinefelter(#)(:45)(5:04am)
- 8/8 Elections—Warren has 5 Bangladeshi candidates—Laura Herberg(ftr\*##)(3:35)(5:04am)
- 8/8 Elections—Some suburban mayors face primaries—Pat Batcheller(^^)(:30)(5:04am)
- 9/1 Elections—Peter Meijer weighs Senate run—Quinn Klinefelter(v)(:50)(6:04am)
- 9/3 Michigan politics—Elected leaders fudge their college credentials—Cheyna Roth(2way)(3:50)(9:35am)
- 9/6 Michigan politics—Rogers runs for Senate—Russ McNamara(2way\*##)(6:50)(7:31am)
- 9/8 Michigan politics—Dingell, James address Econ Club—Alex McLenon(\*#)(:40)(5:31am)
- 9/25 UAW strike—Biden, Trump to visit workers this week—Quinn Klinefelter(v)(:54)(5:04am)

### ***Diversity Issues***

- 7/3 Arts&Culture—Muslim nurse creates modest scrubs—Nargis Rahman(2way)(3:52)(6:45am)
- 7/9 Women's rights—Health Secy discusses abortion access—Russ McNamara(##)(:45)(8:04am)
- 7/14 Wayne State—U offers Arabic language certificate for health workers—Nargis Rahman(\*##)(:41)(5:31am)
- 7/26 Civil rights—ACLU sues Taylor PD for profiling data—Eli Newman(\*##)(:45)(5:04am)
- 7/28 Detroit—BLM promotes Black-owned businesses—T. Harris(#)(:40)(8:31am)
- 8/1 Civil rights—Asian-Americans protest building demolition—Nargis Rahman(####)(:40)(5:04am)
- 8/16 Detroit—Diversity Council celebrates Black men in Detroit—Tynetta Harris(##)(:35)(6:31am)
- 8/18 Civil rights—Cider mill owner slurs Muslims—Tynetta Harris(##)(:30)(6:31am)
- 8/24 LGBT rights—Ferndale gets new housing project for older LGBT—Alex McLenon(\*#)(:38)(5:31am)
- 8/28 Civil rights—dream hampton marks 60 years since March on DC—Juma Sei(2way)(3:49)(5:45am)
- 9/19 Economy—Growing Michigan group meets Muslim leaders—Nargis Rahman(#####)(:45)(6:31am)
- 9/20 Civil rights—CAIR sues to end US terror watch list—Nargis Rahman(####)(:40)(5:04am)
- 9/22 Civil rights—Intuit CEO named top Arab American philanthropist—Nargis Rahman(2way)(6:01)(6:34am)
- 9/26 Civil rights—Large puppet calls attention to Syrian crisis—Nargis Rahman(\*#)(:47)(5:31am)

9/26 Women's rights—Novi hosts women's business conference—Nargis Rahman(v):(24)(6:42am)

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

- 7/4 Health—State finds first mosquitos carrying EEE this year—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(36)(6:31am)  
7/4 Health—State raises awareness of social factors affecting health—Nargis Rahman(v):(20)(5:04am)  
7/17 Health—Study shows fecal contamination at 43% of MI beaches—Laura Herberg(\*##):(51)(5:04am)  
7/17 Technology—MSU system to test new brain scan on mice—Pat Batcheller(2way)(6:56)(5:34am)  
7/17 Weather—Wildfire smoke prompts air quality alert—Quinn Klinefelter(v):(44)(5:31am)
- 8/3 Health—First tests negative on Macomb Twp water main break—Pat Batcheller(^^):(30)(5:04am)  
8/4 Health—Gov puts \$364M for behavioral health in budget—Nargis Rahman(v):(45)(5:31am)  
8/10 Health—August is breastfeeding awareness month—Nargis Rahman(v):(43)(8:31am)  
8/14 Wildfires—Smoke could cause long-term pet health effects—Solina Robles(ctr)(2:49)(6:45am)  
8/15 Health—MDHHS revises safe fish eating advisory—Nargis Rahman(v):(19)(5:31am)
- 9/8 Detroit—City hosts health fair—Tia Graham(v):(45)(11:04am)  
9/12 Health—State developmental disabilities panel names leader—Nargis Rahman(\*#):(35)(5:04am)  
9/13 Health—Jamestown Canyon virus appears in Metro Detroit—Tynetta Harris(##):(35)(5:04pm)  
9/19 Coronavirus—State recommends vaccines for all MI residents—Nargis Rahman(v):(37)(6:31am)  
9/21 Health—VA hospital director vows improvements—Russ McNamara(2way)(6:48)(5:34am)

### ***Transportation and Infrastructure***

- 7/3 Transportation—AAA offers towing for drivers who drink—Quinn Klinefelter(\*#):(40)(5:04am)  
7/24 Transportation—DDOT reports 61% on-time bus rate in June—Laura Herberg(\*#):(38)(5:04am)  
7/25 Automotive—GM Q2 earnings up 52%--Pat Batcheller(vv^^):(30)(7:04am)  
7/28 Transportation—Advocates rally for better bus driver pay—Eli Newman(\*##):(47)(5:04am)  
7/28 Transportation—DDOT warns drivers of call center changes—Tia Graham(v):(24)(6:31am)
- 8/10 Macomb Co—Chapaton pump station gets \$43M investment—Alex McLenon(\*##):(41)(5:31am)  
8/14 Aviation—Jet crashes at Willow Run air show—Pat Batcheller(^^):(25)(5:04am)  
8/15 Aviation—NTSB says jet lost power before crash—Russ McNamara(\*##):(45)(5:04am)  
8/17 Transportation—Gasoline prices set yearly high—Nia Harris(##):(30)(5:31am)  
8/21 Transportation—SEMCOG seeks input on regional plan—Laura Herberg(\*#):(5:04am)
- 9/21 Travel—AAA says people are booking holiday travel early—Nia Harris(##):(40)(7:31am)  
9/23 UAW strike—Union walks out of 38 parts plants—Russ M/Quinn K/Alex M(\*#####):(43)(8:04am)  
9/26 Environment—Macomb Co to expand Sterling drain flyway—Pat Batcheller(2way###):(6:39)(6:34am)  
9/28 Detroit—Eastern Market building that collapsed might be saved—Tynetta Harris(##):(35)(6:04am)  
9/30 UAW strike—Ford's Farley blasts strike expansion—Jerome Vaughn(#):(45)(8:04am)

### ***Regional Culture***

- 7/3 Arts&Culture—Dearborn offers walking tours to residents—Nargis Rahman(###):(35)(5:31am)  
7/12 Arts&Culture—Jury settles Aretha Franklin will dispute—Ryan Patrick Hooper(ctr###):(2:56)(5:26am)  
7/13 WDET—CuriosiD seeks secret origin of Superman ice cream—Eli Newman(ctr)(7:06)(5:34am)  
7/14 Arts&Culture—May Pang displays John Lennon photos—Quinn Klinefelter(2way)(6:41)(5:34am)  
7/20 WDET—CuriosiD seeks origin of Blue Moon ice cream—Laura Herberg(2way)(6:49)(6:34am)
- 8/4 Arts&Culture—Murder tops Source Books' summer reading—Sascha Raiyn(2way)(3:59)(6:45am)  
8/9 Arts&Culture—Sixto Rodriguez dies at 81—Pat Batcheller(^^):(25)(7:31am)

8/9 Sports—WSU's new football coach is upbeat about season—Pat Batcheller(2way)(6:45)(5:34am)  
8/25 Arts&Culture—Downtown Detroit synagogue reopens—Russ McNamara(ftr)(5:31)(6:34am)  
8/28 Detroit—City opens new dog park—Laura Herberg(\*##)(:38)(5:04am)  
  
9/7 Sports—Lions open NFL season against Super Bowl champs—Quinn Klinefelter(2way)(5:44)(5:20pm)  
9/8 Arts&Culture—Detroit month of design runs thru September—Tynetta Harris(##)(:35)(5:31am)  
9/8 Sports—Lions beat Chiefs—Russ McNamara(#####)(:30)(5:42am)  
9/11 Sports—MSU suspends Mel Tucker—Jerome Vaughn(##)(:40)(5:31am)  
9/20 WDET—CuriosiD goes inside the Uniroyal tire—Jack Filbrandt(ftr)(5:11)(6:45am)