

## **Quarterly Issues Report For Blue Ridge Public Radio – 4th Quarter of 2023 (October 1 to December 31st)**

Blue Ridge Public Radio serves a 14-county area of Western North Carolina with its 24-hour broadcast day schedule on two services: BPR News and BPR Classic. Local newscasts and stories are produced by the BPR news team Monday through Friday and aired during Morning Edition and All Things Considered. BPR locally produced content focuses on government/politics; arts and culture; human interest coverage; health and science and other topics relevant to our listening area.

### **Science and Environment**

[Cherokee County Fire Spread Across 75 Acres](#), October 30, 2023, Morning Edition, 1:01.

[Severe Drought Spreads Across WNC Raising the Risk of Wildfires](#), November 3, 2023, :57

### **Local Government and Politics**

[State Budget Includes Millions for WNC, Does Not include new Casinos](#), Morning Edition, October 6, 2023, 9:45

[The Ramada Inn Conversion Future Funding and Next Steps](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered, October 13, 2023, 7:39

[Here's How Proposed Redistricting will Impact Western North Carolina](#), October 22 2023, Morning Edition, 11:48.

[Only Half of WNC Mayoral Elections are Contested, Incumbents Pledge to Continue Working on Development and Infrastructure Issues](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered, November 2, 2023, 3:56

[Woodfin Water on the Ballot, But Not Everyone Gets a Vote](#), November 3, 2023, Morning Edition, 3:12.

[New Study on Missing Middle Housing Offers Housing Solutions for Asheville's Growing Housing Crisis](#), Morning Edition and All Things Considered, November 20, 2023, 1:33

[A Season of Surprises: Candidates on the 2024 Ballot](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered December 19, 2023, 4:46.

### **Health and Education**

[On the Ledge: Is Child Care Headed Off a Cliff in Western North Carolina](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered November 29, 2023, 4:47.

[On the Edge: Diaper Need Skyrockets in Western North Carolina](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered November 30, 2023, 4:02.

[On the Edge: Children Sleep in Offices as Foster Care Falls Short](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered December 1, 2023, 4:51.

### **Arts and Culture**

[Traveling Vietnam Memorial Wall Stops in Hendersonville for the Weekend](#), Morning Edition, November 10, 2023, 3:52.

[Asheville Unveils Black Cultural Heritage Trail Years in the Making, Morning Edition](#), December 14, 2023, 2:02.

[Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire in Downtown Asheville](#), December 22, 2023, 1:57.

[Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Regulations Will Close Loopholes and Speed Up Process](#), Morning Edition, December 22, 2023, 4:04.