

WJZ-TV
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Station WJZ-TV, licensed to CBS Television Licenses LLC, is responsive to the principal issues in its community of license, Baltimore, Maryland on a continuing basis. A variety of program elements, including regularly scheduled news and public affairs programming, reports on breaking news events, documentaries, specials, and public service announcements of concern to the community are included within our regular programming service. WJZ-TV's coverage of news stories, our employees' participation in community affairs, and regular interviews with community leaders have led to the determination that the issues listed are ones of importance to the Baltimore community. Our most significant programming, which dealt with current community issues during the preceding three-month period, are set forth in this report. WJZ-TV broadcasts both locally-produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, WJZ-TV also broadcasts several network broadcasts including FACE THE NATION, 60 MINUTES, CBS REPORTS and 48 HOURS.

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CONSUMER WATCH

WJZ reporters cover consumer interest topics. These reports air in the 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

HEALTHWATCH

WJZ's reporters discuss health issues and interview experts and patients to deliver information on the latest advances in health for our 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Locally produced special reports, focusing on community issues, local lifestyle trends and local personality profiles. These air in the 4pm, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm newscasts.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH

Relevant projects launched by community organizations to benefit area residents.

ON TIME

A half-hour, Sunday morning public affairs program that airs at 6:30AM, focusing on leaders, issues and events, affecting the Baltimore community.

HEALTH

Eyewitness News did a story on...

4/7: A big step forward for an Ebola patient being treated here in Maryland. Officials at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda say the patient is now in good condition.

4/8: There's concern tonight at Salisbury University—hit with three cases of Tuberculosis in recent months... now, the university is warning students who may have come in contact with those patients, to get tested. WJZ is live with more on TB.

4/14: Today we discovered two reactors at a Maryland nuclear power plant are being inspected by federal officials—after a massive power outage last week. A backup generator failed at the Calvert Cliffs nuclear plant—something that could have had serious health consequences. WJZ has more from investigators.

4/19: If you plan on visiting Morgan State University, don't bring your cigarettes. The university says it is going smoke-free. As WJZ explains, the university says the new ban is designed to help students kick the habit.

5/18: An update on a story we first brought you two years ago—a former beauty queen from Maryland makes a brave decision—removing both of her breasts because most of her female relatives died of breast cancer. 26-year-old Allyn Rose shares her courageous story with WJZ. It's a message she wants other women to hear.

5/22: Former NFL players from all 32 teams claim they were pressured to take painkillers, just to get them back on the field. Now, hundreds—including a former Raven's widow—are suing their teams. WJZ talks to the Baltimore lawyer behind the suit—about what it could mean for the league.

5/22: Preventing surgery nightmares—Johns Hopkins Hospital makes a groundbreaking change to lower the risk of surgical complications. WJZ explains it would only allow doctors to perform a specific surgery if they've done it several times before.

5/29: Face to face—the man who received the world's most complex face transplant ever meets with the Maryland family who donated it. Those emotional moments—on camera for the first time. WJZ is live with the newest chapter in that amazing surgery performed right here in Maryland.

5/30: Hundreds of motorcycle riders gear up for Dick Gelfman's annual Ride Across Maryland. Now in its 15th year, the annual ride has raised more than two million dollars in the fight against cancer.

6/3: Live Anthrax spores—mistakenly shipped to labs across the world—including right here in Maryland. And the Department of Defense says the mix-up is far more widespread than initially reported. WJZ is live with the demands to know how this happened.

6/3: Cosmetic surgery gone wrong—a Maryland woman is dead after getting buttocks injections in a basement. WJZ explains the unlicensed woman who gave her those injections is on the loose tonight.

6/8: An Avian Flu outbreak kills millions of chickens in the Midwest—creating an egg shortage across the country. WJZ reports, that's leading to price hikes from Maryland to Texas.

6/10: Officials are frantically trying to track down hundreds of people who may have had contact with a woman who has a rare, drug-resistant tuberculosis. She is being treated at NIH right here in Maryland... but before she sought treatment, she traveled through one of the nation's busiest airports. WJZ explains, finding the people at risk may be a difficult task.

6/30: Orioles trainers and nutritionists team up to teach kids how to stay healthy. It's all in an effort to curb childhood obesity and get kids outside. WJZ has more on what's being done.

ON TIME

4/5: Alzheimer's disease continues to affect large numbers of Americans causing cognitive disruptions that ultimately result in the bodily functions to cease. Ilene Rosenthal and Kisha James tell Gigi Barnett how the Alzheimer's Association is the largest funder of research in addition to the federal government. They discuss how their organization is on call 24/7 for those who need their services. To help raise funds for more research, which they say is grossly underfunded; they hold a Memory Ball with Dancing Stars. WJZ's Derek Valcourt is one of the dancers.

4/12: Guest show host Marcus Washington talks with Dr. David Leeser and Gina Geppi about kidney disease. They discuss the role of the kidneys and how hypertension and diabetes can damage these organs. Controlling blood pressure and diabetes along with losing weight will help prevent further kidney damage. If left unchecked dialysis and a kidney transplant are options for those in renal failure. Two upcoming events, the Kidney Walk and Rappel for Kidney Health are designed to raise awareness and funds for the cause.

4/12: Thirty plus years into the HIV and AIDS epidemic Chase Brexton Health Care continues to educate and administer programs to populations affected by this disease. Chase Brexton health advocates Jill Crank and Ken Ruby tell Marcus Washington that young people continue to contract this disease and need to be educated on ways to prevent the transmission. Their upcoming AIDS Walk and Run will raise money for additional prevention and patient services.

4/19: Gigi Barnett talks with Melanie Pinkett-Davis, the director of Kennedy Krieger Institute's Center for Autism and Related Disorders, about autism spectrum disorders (ASD). Babies as young as 6 months who are not

developing social, communicative and motor skills should be evaluated to for ASD. Families with one child on the spectrum have a 20% chance that their other children will follow suit. They discuss ROAR for Autism which is Kennedy Krieger's main event that raises money for research into ASD.

4/26: Nichole Battle and Ted Gross from GEDCO, the Govans Ecumenical Development Corporation, tell Gigi Barnett about their Iconnect Generations Health Expo designed to bring together entire families from the very young to the senior citizens, to learn about health living including exercise, lifestyle options and healthy eating.

5/3: Gigi Barnett talks with Carolyn Lukensmeyer and Wanda Parks about a new mental health campaign, Text, Talk, Act. They discuss how this campaign uses social media and cell phones as a way to reach teens and college students with mental health messages. The nationwide campaign targets two days, one in April and another in May, where students are encouraged to call in to respond to a web-based program on mental health. After the April event, participants said they were confident they could recognize and talk with someone with mental health issues.

5/10: Nutritionist Lisa Lynn tells Gigi Barnett about foods that help to increase the body's metabolism and help with weight loss. The author discusses how certain types of foods can be switched with more healthy substitutes to facilitate a faster metabolism to burn calories.

5/24: Dr. Ken Lin Tai talks with Marcus Washington about the HPV vaccine and why preteens should get the vaccinations. She discusses how the vaccination prevents the sexually transmitted viruses as well as cancers that develop from HPV. She discusses the ages that both girls and boys should get the vaccine as well as side effects. She stresses that it's important to get the vaccine prior to sexual exposure.

5/31: Marcus Washington discusses the symptoms and complications of living with IBD – inflammatory bowel disease with Dr. Alyssa Parian and Katie Ramirez. They discuss the differences between Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis and treatment options. Many suffer in silence and are too embarrassed to discuss their problems with physicians. The upcoming walk not only raises funds for research into the IBD diseases but it also unifies a community fighting these diseases.

5/31: Death by suicide happens more frequently than most people realize. Donna Curley whose son took his life nine years ago formed the Maryland Chapter off the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. She and Harry Congdon tell Marcus Washington about the warning signs and situations that can lead to suicide. The group has an upcoming crab feast to raise money and awareness.

6/14: Laurie Amatucci, the vice president of Cancerve, tells Marcus Washington that as a cancer survivor she realized how fortunate she was to have a supportive family during her recovery. Many women go through cancer alone and this prompted her and her husband to create Cancerve, a program that assists with daily living obstacles for female cancer patients. She discusses that the proceeds from the Baltimore Women's Classic, a historic 40 year old race that is the 2nd oldest all-female race in the county, provides the funding for their programs.

ARTS & CULTURE

Eyewitness News did a story on...

5/6: The hit Netflix show "House of Cards" comes back to Maryland with its first casting call. It's set for next Friday in Bel Air.

5/10: Prince has arrived in Baltimore—holding his "Rally 4 Peace" concert following the arrest and death of Freddie Gray. WJZ is live at the Royal Farms Arena where it is happening tonight.

5/17: Are Americans losing faith? A Pew survey reveals the number of Christians has been dropping dramatically over the past decade. WJZ explains how one local church is trying to reverse the numbers.

5/19: He has two Super Bowl rings, a statue in his likeness and now, Ray Lewis is writing a memoir. The legendary Ravens linebacker says he'll reveal all—from his NFL glory to his murder case. WJZ explains the book is expected to be a hit.

6/1: A familiar face unveils a very unfamiliar look—Olympic gold medalist Bruce Jenner asks America to “Call me Caitlyn”. WJZ has Jenner’s major identity change revealed in Vanity Fair.

6/12: A Maryland family’s controversial “free-range” parenting sparks a change in state policy! Some saw their decision to allow their children to walk alone in the community as neglect. WJZ explains, the outcry on both sides of the issue has brought about new state guidelines.

6/17: From the International Space Station to Maryland—astronaut Reid Wiseman makes a special hometown visit today. He returned to the house he grew up in—in Baltimore County—and WJZ was there for the homecoming.

6/26: An historic day—as the U.S. Supreme Court rules same sex marriage is legal in all 50 states! The ruling—in favor of a couple who fought to have their Maryland marriage recognized in Ohio... and tonight, the White House celebrates the landmark moment with a vibrant rainbow display. WJZ is live with the impact of the court’s decision.

6/26: A water stunt gone terribly wrong—Baltimore’s own escape expert, Spencer Horsman, nearly drowns... rehearsing a stunt for his new nationwide tour. WJZ is live in Federal Hill—and spoke with Spencer’s father about the frightening stunt that turned dangerous.

6/29: Controversy continues over use of the Confederate flag in America—and tonight, a Maryland woman went to great heights, literally, to take down the flag flying over South Carolina’s capital. WJZ has more on the woman behind the protest.

6/30: Saturday is the fourth of July and Baltimore will be celebrating in a big way. Before the nighttime fireworks at the Inner Harbor, the Washington Monument will reopen and be rededicated with a day-long celebration. WJZ has more on the monumental bicentennial.

ON TIME

4/19: Doreen Bolger, the director of the Baltimore Museum of Art is stepping down after 17 years. She tells Gigi Barnett about her accomplishments from multiple renovations including the soon to open African and Asian Collections to the expanding American Wing collection. She discusses the need to listen to the community as the BMA moves forward.

5/10: Author Wes Moore tells Gigi Barnett that his second book, *My Search for a Life that Matters*, explores stories of people who are making a positive difference in various career fields. He discusses the importance of mentoring young people to guide them in making better life choices.

5/10: A new exhibition at The Walters Art Museum partners with the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) to highlight the contributions of world-renown sculptor William Henry Rinehard who studied at what is now MICA. Walters’s curator Dr. Rob Mintz and MICA Art Professor Dr. Jenny Carson, tell Gigi Barnett about the life of Rinehard and his accomplishments in the marble sculpting. They discuss how the founder of the Walters Museum was a sponsor of Rinehard and commissioned many of his works on display at The Walters, Greenmount Cemetery, Smithsonian, NY’s MET and various European Museums.

5/17: Music is a healing force and Dr. Marco Merrick tells Gigi Barnett how the sacred music of the African America church has sustained the community during turbulent times. He tells her about the upcoming free concert and the partnership with a local sorority.

6/7: Dr. Skip Sanders, the executive director of the Reginald F. Lewis Museum, tells Marcus Washington about the 10 year anniversary of the museum that highlights African American history and culture in Maryland. He discusses the importance of learning from history and bridging cultures.

6/28: Marcus Washington talks with Patti Crossman and Gwen Briley-Strand about this year’s Chautauqua program. They discuss how Chautauqua began and how it was resurrected in the 1970’s by humanities councils across the country. This year’s theme, *Sporting Life*, highlights the accomplishments of Babe Ruth, and Olympians, Wilma Rudolph and Jim Thorpe. Gwen Briley-Strand gets in character as Wilma Rudolph and talks to Marcus Washington

about the physical health related complications she had to overcome before winning the title of the world's fastest women.

6/28: The Maryland Humanities Council sponsors a Literary Walking Tour of Mt. Vernon. Jessica Baldwin tells Marcus Washington why this area attracted so many influential poets, authors, performers, and journalists. The tour highlights areas where newspaper columnist H.L. Mencken to performer/rapper Tupac Shakur and Gertrude Stein to Emily Post called home. Tours cost \$10 and are offered on the 3rd Saturday of the month.

CONSUMER: HOUSING

Eyewitness News did a story on...

6/29: Major water disruptions for thousands of people from Baltimore city to Baltimore County... emergency water repairs are knocking out service to homeowners into the morning. WJZ is live in North Baltimore and explains what's behind the big inconvenience.

6/30: A water nightmare—thousands of people across Baltimore are in the midst of major disruptions while emergency crews work to repair a broken line... WJZ is live now with an update.

CONSUMER: ECONOMY

Eyewitness News did a story on...

4/18: Imagine a faster way to zip through airport security lines—one company has a new piece of technology that allows passengers to bypass security gates altogether. And as WJZ explains, Baltimore's airport is one of the first in the nation to get this device.

5/4: Less than 48 hours after the curfew is lifted—businesses are trying to bounce back... but many have lost thousands of dollars over the past few days due to the city curfew and other incidents related to the death of Freddie Gray. WJZ is live in Harbor East with how businesses are recovering.

5/10: A long-planned Light Rail line hangs in the balance. For years, lawmakers, businesses and homeowners have pleaded with the state to build the Red Line. But the multi-billion dollar project still has some opponents. As WJZ explains, a summit set for this week is designed to get more backers on board.

5/16: Throughout the riots and looting that overtook our city during the Freddie Gray protests—several businesses stayed open despite the danger. The PNC Foundation is now recognizing one of those businesses located in the hardest hit area. WJZ explains why they chose the Enoch Pratt Free Library.

5/18: Just in time for Memorial Day weekend—gas prices are back on the rise! Prices were steadily falling most of the year, but now with summer drawing closer—prices are going back up. WJZ is live with more on the impact it's having.

5/19: It's the largest consumer product recall in U.S. history—nearly 34-million cars in the U.S. are now included in the expanded recall for airbags that could potentially explode. WJZ is live with more on the fix that may take a long time.

5/20: One day after an airbag maker issues the biggest recall in history—drivers are panicking. Many want to know if their car is on the list and how quickly they can get those dangerous airbags replaced. But experts tell WJZ it could be months before dealerships get the parts.

5/20: A major Maryland health insurer—hacked. Health insurance company "Carefirst" says cyber attackers stole more than a million members' personal information. And it's just the latest online data breach. WJZ is live at the company's headquarters with the warning for members.

5/24: It's the unofficial start to summer—Memorial Day weekend is underway and if you plan to be out on the road, expect lots of company.

5/26: As the city deals with a surge in violence—it's also left with a bill for \$20-million—the cost of last month's riots. It includes overtime pay for police and firefighters, destruction to city-owned property and money owed to jurisdictions that sent resources to Baltimore.

5/30: Governor Larry Hogan is in South Korea today working to strengthen Maryland's economic ties to the region. This as the port of Baltimore sets two new performance records for general cargo and containers being handled. WJZ explains why this is vital for economic growth.

6/2: The hit show "Veep" could be moving production out of Maryland—the HBO political comedy starring Julia Louis-Dreyfus may be headed out west to southern California. The California film commission announced today the show applied for and received tax credits from the state.

6/5: It could be a history-making race... as American Pharoah attempts to end a 37-year drought by winning the Triple Crown. Can he achieve what so many have failed to do? WJZ is live with what a win would mean for Maryland's horse racing industry.

6/12: Maryland is in the middle of a major price surge on crabs! The bay crab season is getting off to a rough start and some restaurants still haven't served a single local crab. WJZ is live and explains how that's driving up the price for you.

ON TIME

5/3: Gigi Barnett talks with Congressman Elijah Cummings about the Middle Class Prosperity Project that he authored with Senator Elizabeth Warren. He explained how they are holding community forums in various locations across the country to address different problems that affect the middle class. Topics covered include college education costs and the impact of student loans and in Baltimore, they'll address payday predatory loans. The goal of the campaign is to develop legislation that will address issues hindering middle class development.

CONSUMER: JOBS

Eyewitness News did a story on...

6/20: Opening your wallet for our city's youth—the Archdiocese of Baltimore is calling on the public for donations... WJZ explains how this will go on securing the youth jobs.

ON TIME

5/17: The Maryland Center for Veterans Education and Training (MCVET) helps homeless male and female veterans with housing, addiction counseling and job counseling and training. Jeffery Kendrick and Dexter Daniel tell Gigi Barnett about the issues vets face when they are discharged from the military. The number of homeless vets continues to increase along with a significant number who are women. They discuss their upcoming 5K and 10K run which benefits their homeless programs.

LOCAL POLITICS

Eyewitness News did a story on...

4/13: Budget crisis averted! Powerful political leaders went head-to-head over funding for the state for hours—and tonight, the General Assembly has passed a final budget. WJZ is live inside the statehouse... our political reporter with how the standoff in Annapolis ended.

4/15: Ordered to pay up—it's been nearly three years since former state delegate Don Dwyer's drunken boating accident that left several people hurt. Now, WJZ has learned he'll have to fork over thousands of dollars to one of those victims.

4/19: Former Maryland governor Martin O'Malley appears on Face the Nation saying he doesn't plan to announce if he's running for president until the end of May... but he did give some reasons why he thinks he'd be a better president than Hillary Clinton.

5/4: After hinting at it for months, the world-famous neurosurgeon Dr. Ben Carson announced his bid for the Republican nomination for President in 2016. WJZ explains why Carson thinks he has a shot at the White House.

5/14: Martin O'Malley is closer to announcing whether he'll run for the Democratic primary nomination for President. The former Maryland governor has been in New York and New Hampshire this week. WJZ's political reporter has more on his immediate plans.

5/24: Former Johns Hopkins neurosurgeon and now 2016 presidential candidate Ben Carson wins the southern Republican straw poll. It's the first major survey of the Republican presidential field in the south.

5/29: Will he or won't he? In less than 24 hours, the nation will be watching Maryland's former governor make an announcement. Martin O'Malley will be in Federal Hill to reveal whether he plans to make a run for the White House in Campaign 2016. WJZ's political reporter has his final preparations.

5/30: Martin O'Malley throws his hat in the presidential ring. As WJZ's political reporter explains, O'Malley's announcement this morning drew a crowd at Federal Hill—an enthusiastic send-off for the challenging months ahead.

6/21: Governor Larry Hogan shocks the state—with news that cancer has spread throughout his body. WJZ has complete coverage of the governor's diagnosis. Our political reporter was in Annapolis for Hogan's announcement and WJZ speaks to stunned Marylanders and fellow politicians... plus, a closer look at the cancer he is fighting.

6/23: Debate over the Confederate flag continues to grow. In Maryland, lawmakers are calling for changes to eliminate the symbol. WJZ explains, license plates are at the center of the controversy in our state.

6/25: The Governor's appearance today was his first since announcing he has cancer and tonight, Hogan's saying more about his prognosis and the treatment he'll get next. This, as Marylanders set aside politics to rally around him—WJZ is live at University of Maryland Medical Center with more.

6/30: Governor Hogan is wrapping up his first round of chemotherapy on a positive note. He's receiving a lot of positive energy coming from outside the hospital. WJZ's political reporter explains how Marylanders are responding to the governor's battle against cancer.

ON TIME

4/5: Gigi Barnett talks with Marilyn Mosby about her first 100 days as the Baltimore City State's Attorney. Mosby discusses changes she's made to the state's attorney's office to make it more responsive to community needs. She modeled her office on the best practices she observed in New York, LA and Atlanta that feature a community prosecution model. In building bonds with the community, her office is featuring the first community day in court that features members of the criminal justice system explaining how domestic and sexual violence cases are prosecuted. Her goal is to make communities safer by targeting repeat violent offenders.

COMMUNITY

Eyewitness News did a story on...

4/2: A high-ranking Episcopal bishop is going to trial—in a drunk-driving hit and run case that killed a cyclist in North Baltimore. Bishop Heather Cook pleaded not guilty today... WJZ reports from the courthouse with what's next.

4/2: The fallout grows for one of Maryland's biggest entertainment companies—the Rams Head Group—now facing a \$20 million lawsuit... from three women who say they were videotaped in the bathroom by a Rams Head owner. WJZ spoke to their attorney tonight.

4/15: A big announcement from Baltimore's Olympic superstar Michael Phelps—WJZ explains, his suspension is over, but he's still being punished.

4/6: Reports of gunshots near the Johns Hopkins Medical Campus put the entire school of public health on lockdown. No injuries reported, but detectives did find evidence a gun was fired—WJZ is live in East Baltimore with the scare for this large medical community.

4/7: Widespread power outages sweep across DC and Maryland forcing thousands in the dark—including the White House along with other high security buildings. WJZ is live and explains the outage started in southern Maryland.

4/7: In a popular downtown neighborhood, it's a war between homeowners and the bars! The "Irish Stroll" bar crawl brought thousands into Federal Hill, but some neighbors say the drinkers trashed their community. WJZ is live in Federal Hill with how residents are taking action to stop it.

4/15: A frightening scene near College Park—a pedestrian bridge tumbles onto train tracks in Prince George's County... leaving massive headaches for commuters. WJZ has been on this story from the start and has the latest.

4/19: The national spotlight on police brutality is focused on Baltimore tonight—after 25-year-old Freddie Gray dies... his family says he suffered his critical injuries in custody. WJZ is live at city police headquarters with new reaction from the mayor, police and attorneys for the man's family... and growing outrage.

4/20: Hailed a hero—a 13-year-old trapped inside his burning home, helps firefighters find him and his sister. WJZ reports, the dramatic 911 calls have left many praising his actions.

4/25: WJZ is live with complete coverage for several hours of violent protests following the death of Freddie Gray—who died in police custody.

4/27: WJZ is live with extensive coverage for several hours of protests that turned into rioting throughout the city of Baltimore—this on the day Freddie Gray—who died in police custody—is laid to rest.

4/28: WJZ continues extensive coverage of the riots in Baltimore and a city-wide curfew that goes into effect starting tonight... more on how the city and communities are recovering from damage left by the riots.

4/29: WJZ continues extensive coverage of a state of emergency in effect for Baltimore City—how local politicians are reacting... also impact on the Baltimore Orioles—who played the first ever MLB game in front of an empty Camden Yards... also city schools reopening after being closed the day after riots in Baltimore.

4/30: WJZ live with complete coverage of the city-wide curfew—and arrests that are happening because of it... also, a family member of one of the police officers suspended as part of the investigation into Freddie Gray's death... and protests in support of Baltimore happening across the country.

5/1: WJZ continues complete coverage on the death of Freddie Gray and violence that erupted throughout the city of Baltimore following his death.

5/5: Many in the community are doing their part to get the city back on its feet after riots after Freddie Gray's death—WJZ is live with the push to salvage Charm City's positive reputation.

5/11: For the first time since the curfew forced the Orioles to reschedule games and leave town—the Birds are back in Baltimore! Tonight's home game being called "re-opening day" as fans rally around the O's. WJZ is live downtown with the special pride at tonight's game.

5/20: In the midst of crime scenes like that one—police say it's becoming harder to do their jobs. Today, the city's frustrated top cop tells WJZ officers are being confronted by large groups and cell phone cameras in the wake of the Freddie Gray case. WJZ is live at police headquarters with the latest.

5/26: A big win for a Maryland couple who was under investigation for child neglect. That's because they let their children walk alone around the neighborhood. Tonight, in a surprising reversal, they're cleared of neglect in one of those cases. WJZ is live with reaction from the family tonight.

5/29: An invasive predator rears its ugly head in Maryland waters. The Snakehead Fish breeds rapidly, and preys on native fish, throwing off the local ecology. Tonight, biologists are urging anglers to kill any Snakehead they catch. WJZ tells you where this batch was found.

5/30: In just 30 days, Baltimore has seen more than 100 shootings. May is the deadliest month in the city in 25 years. And relations between the community and police remain tense. WJZ explains what's being done to reverse this deadly spike in violence.

5/31: It has been nearly 10 months since a three-year-old was killed while playing on her front porch and police are still searching for a suspect. WJZ explains what the community is doing to find the killer.

6/1: Speed cameras could be going back on in Baltimore City. The cameras have been shut down for two years after widespread errors led the city to refund thousands of drivers. Now, a new report details what went wrong. WJZ is live with how city officials are trying to fix it.

6/2: Calling for change—Baltimore police Commissioner Anthony Batts is proposing sweeping new safety features and upgrades to the city's fleet of police transport vans. It comes after the in-custody death of Freddie Gray a little over one month ago. WJZ is live outside City Hall with why some say they're unsure the upgrades will be effective.

6/12: WJZ, MASN and the Orioles are back at Camden Yards this weekend—collecting food and donations for the Maryland Food Bank. Last year's food drive collected 6,000 pounds of food.

6/16: There are new concerns from state police—as troopers pull over a surprising number of drivers who haven't just been drinking a little bit—they're highly intoxicated! WJZ is live and explains that puts everyone at greater risk.

6/21: Major roadwork and major headaches for drivers on I-95... as the next phase of a 64-million dollar project gets underway. WJZ is live with details on the changes and how this could affect drivers tomorrow morning.

6/24: A number of bear sightings in just the last few days around Maryland! The large animals—seen in several residential neighborhoods and that's putting some people on edge. WJZ is live—and talks to homeowners who say the bears are getting too close for comfort.

6/27: Thousands of people across Maryland could lose their Medicaid if they don't act soon. WJZ reports the deadline to re-enroll is around the corner.

ON TIME

4/5: The Maryland SPCA provides adoptions for 3,000 homeless dogs and cats each year in addition to offering spay and neutering to another 9,000 pets. Eric DeCosta tells Gigi Barnett that the non profit does not receive any government funds or grants from other animal welfare organizations. Their major fundraiser, March for the Animals, helps to underwrite 90% of their program costs. The event features activities for pets and owners including a 1.5 walk around Druid Hill Park.

4/12: Greater Homewood Community Corporation has been serving neighborhoods in North Central Baltimore for 46 years. Executive Director Karen Stokes tells Marcus Washington that their goal is to create vibrant communities that are safe, feature diverse & stable housing options, have amenities including retail offerings and strong schools. The organization offers adult literacy programs in various citywide communities and has a workforce development program designed to aid ex-offenders in securing employment. Their upcoming neighborhood institute features a myriad of workshops for community members.

4/19: Advocates for Children and Youth representatives Becky Wagner and Rais Akbar tell Gigi Barnett about their mission to improve the lives of Maryland's children in the areas of juvenile justice, child welfare, and education.

Their research is used to develop best practices and legislative reform. They advocate for juveniles to be judged as juveniles and not sentenced as adults and imprisoned in the adult penal incarceration facilities for life sentences.

5/17: Gigi Barnett talks with representatives from the United Way of Central Maryland and the Baltimore Community Foundation about the funds set up under the Maryland Unites campaign to assist with humanitarian aid. The funds will be used to help nonprofit organizations assisting the neighborhoods affected by the civil unrest following the death of Freddie Gray while in police custody.

5/17: The Eastern Women's Baseball Conference has several teams in the Baltimore Washington area. Women of all ages and skill levels can try out for these teams. Rachel Laufer tells Gigi Barnett about the league and the upcoming tournament featuring one of the women from the original All American Women's Baseball League that featured in the movie, A League of Their Own.

5/24: Gigi Barnett talks with F. Michael Higginbotham, professor of law at the University of Baltimore and author of "Ghosts of Jim Crow" about the recent uprising resulting from the death of Freddie Gray while in police custody. He discusses how many of the problems are systemic with behaviors and attitudes tracing back to the time of Jim Crow. Specifically he says that communities where the riots occurred have not changed since the last riots in 1968. Poverty, lack of employment, housing segregation, and police brutality has contributed to the hopelessness of the community.

5/24: Marcus Washington talks with Dr. Carla Hayden, CEO of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, about their decision to keep the Pennsylvania Avenue Branch of the Pratt Library open during the civil unrest. She discusses how the library branch at the epicenter of the riots remained undamaged and open during the turbulent uprising. She said the community viewed the library as a safe haven and worked with staff to protect the branch from the violence happening outside their doors. Many children around the country wrote to the library to thank them for providing a safe place. Contributions from across the country poured in to support the work of the Pennsylvania branch.

5/31: Baltimore 500 is a metro campaign to get over 500 kittens and cats adopted during the month of June. Participating groups including the Maryland SPCA, BARCS, Baltimore Humane Society and the Baltimore County Animal Shelter have waived their adoption fees. All felines will be spayed/neutered and given vaccination shots prior to their adoption.

6/7: Marcus Washington discusses hunger in Maryland with Deborah Flateman, the CEO of the Maryland Food Bank. She points out that areas in West Baltimore, the site of the civil unrest, are "food deserts", areas where residents have little access to food and almost no option for fresh fruits and vegetables. She discusses how the food bank was able to deliver food to this area as well as other communities where residents are food insecure. The upcoming Oriole/WJZ food drive will help restock their pantry and monetary donations allow them to purchase bulk food at low cost prices.

6/7: Tyler Steinhardt and Cpt. Eric Mineo tell Marcus Washington about the upcoming Shootout for Soldiers, a 24 hour lacrosse tournament that raises funds for several non-profit organizations dedicated to helping wounded warriors. The event began as a one city event at McDonogh School has increased to multiple cities with a large lacrosse following.

6/21: Marcus Washington talks with Diana Morris, director of OSI-Baltimore about their newly created Baltimore Justice Fund that was created in response to the civil unrest following the death of Freddie Gray. She discusses how OSI works with government agencies and non-profit organizations to find solutions to systemic problems that reflect prejudice and racial bias. They target 3 main areas: drug abuse, incarceration policies, and education obstacles for youth.

EDUCATION

Eyewitness News did a story on...

4/1: The University of Maryland has concluded its investigation into a highly offensive e-mail sent by a member of a fraternity. WJZ is live with the very latest.

4/3: City schools in crisis—amid a massive hundred-million dollar budget gap, the school CEO announces 100 layoffs by the end of June. It's all in an effort to tighten the school system's purse strings! WJZ is live with details on the cuts.

4/12: Nine students graduate from the Maryland Food Bank Culinary Program and WJZ was there as they received their awards.

5/7: If you have a student at a Maryland state college—you're going to be paying more—significantly more! Starting in the fall, a hike in tuition and possibly a surcharge on top of that... WJZ is live and spoke to College Park students and parents tonight.

5/19: A Maryland substitute teacher—under fire tonight for the way he disciplined students. Troubling cell phone video shows the teacher using a belt on unruly 6th graders. WJZ speaks to students and parents about the video tonight.

5/27: Baltimore City schools begin issuing pink slips to employees to cut a significant budget deficit. They'll cut at least 100 positions to close the \$108-million gap in the next fiscal year budget, which begins July 1st.

5/29: One year ago today—a Baltimore County native blasted off into space. And since then, Reid Wiseman has not forgotten his roots. WJZ has been reporting on Wiseman's journey from the beginning and brings you his special school visit today.

6/4: An alleged senior prank turns criminal—vandals target an Anne Arundel County high school just hours after graduation ceremonies... WJZ is live with more on the damage and the search for the people behind the blatant lawlessness.

6/11: Bringing alcohol to Terps games—the University of Maryland is trying out a controversial new plan to sell beer at football and basketball games. WJZ explains why some think the risk is higher than the reward.

6/13: Students are almost done with school for the summer and the Baltimore County public library wants to make sure they don't lose what they learned during the school year. WJZ explains how a summer reading club is aiming to help.

6/16: A fight in one Maryland school district over school holidays—a new student-led effort is underway to get officials to recognize Muslim holidays the same way they do for Christian and Jewish holy days. WJZ has more from the unlikely voice for Muslim rights.

6/18: Sleep in—after years of students and parents pushing, one Maryland county will shift school schedules later in the day. Just how much later? That's still to be determined. WJZ tells you—doctors say it's actually unhealthy for high schoolers to get up so early.

ON TIME

4/26: Gigi Barnett talks with Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz and Timmy Ruppertsberger, President of the Education Foundation of Baltimore County, about a litter campaign that kicks off on Earth Day and runs through the end of May. The Clean Green 15 Litter Campaign encourages school, youth and community groups to clean up school grounds, parks and streams. The campaign targets young people with an anti-litter and environmental message. Top schools who log the most volunteers and cleanup activities receive grants for environmental projects – like rain barrels, rain gardens, etc. This is the second year of the program.

4/26: The Maryland Book Bank collects donated books and puts them in the hands of low income families so that they can read to their young children. Mark Feiring tells Gigi Barnett that children who are read to by family members score much higher on their reading tests and perform academically better than those who don't have books in their homes. An upcoming book fair is soliciting donations from the public with a specific request for children's books.

6/14: Marcus Washington talks with law professor and author F. Michael Higginbotham about the Fannie Angelos Program for Academic Excellence that features two programs to assist minority students with preparation for law school. He explains that past discriminatory practices still affect African Americans who apply to law school. These programs offer LSAT review courses and mentoring to students attending Maryland's Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

6/14: Public libraries across the state are sponsoring a summer reading program themed "Every Hero Has a Story." Mary Hastler, the CEO of the Harford County Public Library tells Marcus Washington about the incentives to get children of all ages enrolled in the library's program that encourages reading and educational activities designed to prevent the summer slide, where students lose academic gains made over the school year when they are not engaged in educational activities. Harford County offers children a chance to borrow an action hero packed book bag featuring reading materials, action figures, and a journal to record their activities. Reading for at least 15 minutes a day has been shown to stimulate children's brains to continue on the learning path.

6/21: Serenity Expeditions-A Global Classroom is a new nonprofit organization designed to use travel as an incentive for at-risk high school and college students to learn about other cultures. By featuring UNESCO cultural and heritage sites, founder Patti Smith, tells Marcus Washington of her plans to expose 8 students to unique sites and cultures by developing educational curriculum.

6/21: Notre Dame Preparatory School has offered Camp Umoja for 30 years as a way to expose youth living in city public housing to a summer camp held in a rural setting. Camp director and counselor tell Marcus Washington about the variety of activities for campers who are paired with a counselor. After the two week camp, student counselors continue to meet with city students to provide mentoring throughout the school year.

6/28: Representatives from Celebree Learning Centers tell Marcus Washington that children entering kindergarten need to be prepared. Tiffany Lymon and Stefanie Shurer discuss early learning and how it benefits the child's lifelong learning. Preschoolers need to be able to count, to know the alphabet, to recognize sight words. They discuss how to incorporate learning into everyday activities.