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Quarterly Issues/Programming Report for 3rd Quarter 2023

During this quarter, this station gave particular attention to the issues listed in the following report. These issues are not listed in order of importance and it should be noted that the station may have also aired other programming that was responsive to the community's informational needs.

ISSUE: Policing

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/3/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Bill Bratton, former New York City police commissioner, and Al Sharpton, civil rights leader, host of MSNBC's PoliticsNation, founder and president of the National Action Network (NAN) about the effect of the Clinton crime bill and the Giuliani administration's policies.
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/14/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with WNYC/Gothamist reporter covering race and justice Arya Sundaram and Rev. Dr. Charles Boyer, pastor of Greater Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church in Trenton and the founder of Salvation and Social Justice, about a new study of traffic stops by state police in New Jersey finding "strong empirical evidence that NJ-SP is engaged in enforcement practices that result in adverse treatment towards minority motorists" and the attorney general's plan to address the disparities.
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/19/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Samantha Max, reporter covering public safety for WNYC/Gothamist, about the appointment of Edward Caban as the new head of the NYPD, crime rates and other matters that await him.

ISSUE: Transportation

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/13/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Clayton Guse, WNYC/Gothamist assistant editor on the NYC Accountability desk, about some of the big projects getting the go-ahead with funding, including the Gateway Tunnel, the 2nd Avenue Subway extension, and the latest on the Penn Station re-do.
The Brian Lehrer Show	8/24/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Josh Gottheimer, U.S. Representative (D, NJ-5), Co-Chair of the Problem Solvers Caucus, and Tom Wright, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Regional Plan Association, about how New York's congestion pricing will take a toll on, or benefit, New Jerseyans.
The Brian Lehrer Show	9/25/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Stephen Nessen, WNYC and Gothamist transportation reporter, about the latest MTA news, including that subway ridership reached a seasonal high last week, the MTA's pilot for free rides on five bus lines, and changes to OMNY.

ISSUE: Immigration

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/31/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Murad Awawdeh, executive director at the New York Immigration Coalition, about how the city has handled the influx of asylum seekers over the last year and its plans for the future.
The Brian Lehrer Show	8/31/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Elizabeth Kim, Gothamist and WNYC reporter, and Jeff Coltin, Politico reporter and co-author of the New York Playbook, about how the mayor is handling the influx of migrants coming to the city.
The Brian Lehrer Show	9/21/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Anne Williams-Isom, New York City Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services, about the city continuing to struggle to provide housing and care to the many migrants coming here, and about the news that Venezuelans already here will be allowed to stay temporarily and work legally, plus the latest plans for where and how long to house people, the elusive work permits and plans to relocate people to other cities in New York State.

ISSUE: Housing

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/20/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with New York City Comptroller Brad Landers about his thoughts on the city's packed shelters and Mayor Adams' new policy that will require single adults to look elsewhere for housing after 60 days in a city shelter, and his office's findings on last year's "sweeps" of homeless encampments and the ongoing crisis at Rikers Island.
The Brian Lehrer Show	8/2/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with George Joseph, senior reporter at The City, and Samantha Maldonado, reporter for The City, about groups of real estate speculators who have seized the deeds of Black- and Latino-owned brownstones in gentrifying neighborhoods, evicting tenants and clearing the path for massive house flips, and what lawmakers could do to curb this predatory activity.

ISSUE: Education

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/11/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with John Mooney, founding editor of NJ Spotlight News, about the launch of a cross-newsroom collaboration examining the lack of racial and economic diversity in New Jersey's public schools, despite the diversity in the population as a whole, and with Javier Robles, Rutgers professor in the Kinesiology and Health department and president of the Latino Action Network of New Jersey (LAN), about the soon-to-be-decided lawsuit brought by LAN and NAACP and others in 2018 over the lack of diversity in New Jersey's schools.
The Brian Lehrer Show	8/17/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Dana DiFilippo, senior reporter at The New Jersey Monitor, about the recent ruling by the New Jersey Supreme Court that a Catholic parochial school was allowed to fire a pregnant, unmarried art teacher.

ISSUE: Local Politics

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/7/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Edward-Isaac Dovere, CNN senior reporter covering Democratic politics and campaigns across the country, about his reporting on the efforts of Brooklyn Congressman Hakeem Jeffries, the House minority leader, to win back House seats from the GOP in New York.
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/14/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Jeff Wice, adjunct professor and senior fellow at New York Law School where he directs the New York Census and Redistricting Institute, about the legal dispute and the political implications of an appellate court in New York ordering the state's congressional map to be redrawn, giving Democrats a chance to reshape the political landscape ahead of the 2024 election.

ISSUE: Environment

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/3/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Andy Read, professor of marine biology and the director of the Duke University Marine Laboratory, about why so many beached whales are turning up on the New York and New Jersey coastlines, and why claims from some groups that surveying for wind farms is causing the deaths are untrue.
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/11/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Tracy Brown, president of Riverkeeper, about how the Army Corps of Engineers' massive flood protection plan for the New York/New Jersey harbor is flawed and needs revision before being submitted to Congress, scheduled for this summer.
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/18/2023	10am	120 min	Interview with Oliver Franklin-Wallis about the cost to the environment of everything we discard, as well as efforts to address the planetary problem of trash.

ISSUE: Health

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/3/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Lisa Damour, psychologist, co-host of the podcast "Ask Lisa: The Psychology of Parenting" and author of several books, about an increase in teenagers struggling with their mental health, coping strategies, and when parents and teenagers should seek help.
The Brian Lehrer Show	7/6/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Basil Seggos, commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and James McDonald, New York State health commissioner, about how to decipher the air quality information in the AirNow.gov tool, and how the poor air quality can affect personal health.
The Brian Lehrer Show	9/11/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Michael Crane, MD, MPH, medical director of the WTC Health Program Clinical Center of Excellence at Mount Sinai and of the Selikoff Centers for Occupational Health, about the expanding list of 9/11 health effects and who should, and how to, access benefits.