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Quarterly Issues/Programming Report for 4th 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: Transportation

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/17/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Henry Grabar, Staff Writer at Slate and author, and Rachel Weinberger, Director, Research Strategy and Peter W. Herman Chair for Transportation at Regional Plan Association, about the parking landscape in New York City, including why so many streets have free parking, the amount of drivers fighting for limited spots and their suggested changes to the whole system.
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/19/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Newsday reporters Arielle Martinez and Lorena Mongelli about the surge in traffic fatalities on Long Island, and potential solutions.
The Brian Lehrer Show	12/8/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Sam Schwartz, former longtime "Gridlock Sam" columnist at the Daily News, former NYC Traffic Commissioner, president and CEO of Sam Schwartz Engineering, a transportation planning and engineering firm, and author, about the plan and some of its possible undesirable side effects.

ISSUE: Immigration

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/9/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Murad Awawdeh, executive director at the New York Immigration Coalition, about the Mayor's trip, the broader response to the arrival of migrants and other related news, and Maria Ponce, executive director of Transnational Villages Network/Red de Pueblos Trasnacionales, about the

				particular challenges facing indigenous migrants and communities in New York City.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/30/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Shahana Hanif, New York City Councilmember (District 39, Cobble Hill, Carroll Gardens, Columbia Waterfront, Gowanus, Park Slope, Windsor Terrace, Borough Park, Kensington) and chair of the Committee on Immigration, about how the city is meeting their needs and what more needs to be done.
The Brian Lehrer Show	12/19/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Hein de Haas, Professor of Sociology at the University of Amsterdam and founding member of the International Migration Institute at the University of Oxford and author, about corrections to our mistaken beliefs about human migration and immigration policies that backfire.

ISSUE: Housing

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/6/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Grace Rauh, executive director of the think tank 5Boro Institute, and Howard Slatkin, executive director at Citizens Housing and Planning Council, about the new report from 5Boro for "flexible co-housing" conversions from office buildings.
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/12/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Richard Buey, CEO of Robin Hood Foundation and a former NYC deputy mayor for strategic policy initiatives, and with Rachel Fee, executive director of the New York Housing Conference, about Robin Hood's "deep dive" into the causes of and solutions to housing instability and homelessness.
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/18/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with David Brand, housing reporter for WNYC/Gothamist, about the new report showing 1 in 3 New York City households spend half their income on rent, plus the new 60-day limit for migrant families in shelters.

ISSUE: Education

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/11/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Alina Adams, who runs the NYC School Secrets website and is the author of the e-books Getting Into NYC Kindergarten and Getting Into NYC

				High-School, about advice for families applying to one of the NYC public high schools that require a portfolio or audition.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/24/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Jessica Gould, education reporter for WNYC and Gothamist, about one family's year-long battle with New York City's Department of Education to help their child receive the specialized instruction required while growing up with dyslexia.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/24/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Nikhil Goyal, sociologist and policymaker who served as senior policy advisor on education and children for Chairman Senator Bernie Sanders on the U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions and Committee on the Budget and, about how poverty limits the lives of U.S. children and policy solutions drawing on his research and the story of three North Philadelphia children.

ISSUE: Local Politics

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/7/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Brent Johnson, political reporter in the Statehouse bureau of The Star-Ledger and NJ.com, about what he hears from New Jersey voters and the races happening across the state, including every member of the state legislature and many school boards positions, and with Rebecca Lewis, senior state politics reporter at City & State NY, about New York voters and what's at stake in this year's elections.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/13/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Jonathan Custodio, The Bronx reporter for The City, about what drove the East Bronx neighborhoods to Republican Kristy Marmorato, and whether this election signals an enduring shift.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/16/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Jon Campbell, Albany reporter for WNYC and Gothamist, about the case seeking to restart New York's redistricting process, now back in the hands of the Court of Appeals, plus some of the bills on Gov. Hochul's desk awaiting her signature, or veto.

ISSUE: Environment

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/24/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Jeff Brady, climate and energy correspondent, about how the natural gas utility companies borrowed from the tobacco playbook to downplay the health risks of gas stoves.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/28/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Kate Marvel, climate scientist at the environmental nonprofit Project Drawdown and a lead author of the report, about the warnings—and the climate solutions—laid out in The Fifth National Climate Assessment, a government mandated report on climate change that was released mid-November.
The Brian Lehrer Show	12/19/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Mariana Simões, climate / environment reporter for City Limits, about New York State becoming the first state in the country to ban the use of fossil fuels in new construction, essentially banning gas stoves in future homes, and how the fossil fuel industry is fighting back against the ban through legal strategies that have worked in other areas of the United States.

ISSUE: Health

Program Name	Date	Time	Duration	Description
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/10/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Akilah Johnson, reporter exploring the effect of racism and social inequality on health for The Washington Post, about how the U.S. life expectancy is eroding faster than previously thought, due in large part to chronic illness among people between the ages of 35 and 64.
The Brian Lehrer Show	10/18/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Daniel Griffin, MD, PhD, infectious disease physician with a PhD in molecular medicine, researcher at Columbia, Optum chief of the division of Infectious Disease, president of Parasites Without Borders and co-host of the podcast "This Week in Virology", about the latest findings on the lingering debilitating symptoms of COVID infections.
The Brian Lehrer Show	11/8/2023	10am	120 min	An interview with Shefali Luthra, health reporter covering the intersection of gender and healthcare at the 19th, about the results of abortion-related votes in

				places like Ohio and Virginia, and what it signals about 2024.
The Brian Lehrer Show	12/13/2023	10am	120 min	Interview with Courtney McKnight, clinical assistant professor of epidemiology at the NYU School of Global Public Health, about where fentanyl is commonly found, how Naloxone is administered and what New Yorkers can do to keep themselves -- and their kids -- safe from fentanyl overdose.
