

## **Quarterly Issues Report For Blue Ridge Public Radio – 1st Quarter of 2023 (January 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31st)**

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### **ISSUE SHOW/DATE/DURATION**

#### **Health and Education**

[Library collection policy leads to calls for book bans](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered, March 28, 2023, 4:38

[Advocates call for former Angel Medical Center to be used for mental health services](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered, March 8, 2023, 2:29

[Medicaid expansion gets a sweet reception in NC House, but uncertain audience awaits in the Senate](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered, February 15, 2023, 8:15

#### **Science and Environment**

[WNC science communicators continue their campaign to declutter the climate change conversation](#)  
Morning Edition & All Things Considered, March 28, 2023, 9:26

[Forest Plan in Action: NC Forest Supervisor James Melonas explains the basics of the new plan](#)  
Morning Edition & All Things Considered, February 21, 2023, 3:50

#### **Local Government & Politics**

[Canton mill to close, leaving hundreds jobless](#) Morning Edition & All Things Considered – March 7, 2023, 1:59

[New details emerge about shooting by Cherokee Indian Police Department SWAT team](#)  
Morning Edition & All Things Considered – March 1, 2023, 3:28

[Eastern Band of Cherokee to hold special election for Tribal Council seat](#)  
Morning Edition & All Things Considered – February 27, 2023, 5:09

[State Senator Kevin Corbin explains how proposed Medicaid expansion might benefit the region](#)  
Morning Edition & All Things Considered – February 22, 2023, 2:16

[On the road: Rep. Chuck Edwards new mobile office offers opportunities and prompts questions](#)  
Morning Edition & All Things Considered – February 15, 2023, 4:48

[Two historic WNC institutions partner to transform corner of downtown Asheville](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered – February 13, 2023, 16:50

[Rep. Chuck Edwards regional representative says her resignation was forced](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered – February 8, 2023, 4:05

[Good Neighbors: How the Eastern Band of Cherokee and the Forest Service work together](#), Morning Edition & All Things Considered – January 30, 2023, 3:55

[Rep. Edwards announces new Franklin office, shares budget priorities](#) Morning Edition & All Things Considered – January 20, 2023, 4:12

[2023 politics in WNC: State power and an almost supermajority](#) Morning Edition & All Things Considered – January 10, 2023, 4:13

### **Arts & Culture**

[Preservation plans for Nina Simone’s childhood home are nearing completion](#) Morning Edition, March 30, 2023

[US Poet Laureate Ada Limon visits Asheville-](#) Morning Edition & All Things Considered- March 20, 2023

[Asheville Symphony Orchestra Performance](#) – BPR Classic -- March 14, 16 – 2:00:00

[A conversation with celebrated singer/songwriter Tom Rush before his WNC concert](#) – Morning Edition & All Things Considered, February 8, 2023

[The next facelift of Pack Square Plaza is focusing on Black history and currency-](#) Morning Edition & All Things Considered- January 17, 2023, 2:33