

WQUE  
New Orleans, LA  
Quarterly Issues/Programs List  
First Quarter, 2024  
04/08/2024

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WQUE provides its listeners with programming and public service announcements that address issues of concern to our local community. Among the issues determined to be of most concern to the community during the preceding calendar quarter were:

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**Section I  
LOCAL PROGRAMMING**

Section I lists regularly-scheduled and special programs that represent the station's issue-responsive programming providing the most significant treatment of the issues listed above for the calendar quarter.

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**Section II  
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Section II lists public service announcements that the station broadcast during the preceding calendar quarter that address community issues.

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(This station aired no public service announcements during the quarter in question.)

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