

Quarterly Issues Program for WITF-TV, Harrisburg, PA

Section 1. Issues identified.

January 1 – March 31, 2023

The station has identified the following issues as significant to the community during this quarter:

Abortion, Agriculture, Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction, American History/Biography, Arts, Business/Industry, Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement, Culture, Disabilities, Economy, Education, Energy, Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters, Health/Health Care, Immigration/Refugees, Media, Minorities/Civil Rights, National Politics/Government, Poverty/Hunger, Science/Technology, Sexuality, Social Services, Transportation, Urban Development/Infrastructure, War/Veterans/National Security, Women, Youth.

Section II. Responsive Programs.

The station has broadcast a variety of programming that addressed the above-referenced issues. A non-comprehensive sampling is below.

Category	Series Title	Airdate	Description
Abortion	PBS NewsHour	01/04/23 06:00:00 PM	For the first time, retail pharmacies will be allowed to offer prescribed abortion pills in the United States. The FDA announced the regulatory change on Tuesday, which could significantly expand abortion access through medication. John Yang discussed the development with Dr. Jennifer Villavicencio of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.
American History/Biography	The U.S. and the Holocaust	01/06/23 09:00:00 PM	Congress passes its first laws restricting immigration after decades of maintaining open borders; in Germany, Hitler and the Nazis begin their persecution of Jewish people, causing many to flee to other countries including America.
Arts	Independent Lens	01/02/23 10:00:00 PM	In Venezuela's Las Brisas neighborhood, the power of music is put to the test. Poverty, murder, and corruption leave the community's families with few ways to create a brighter future. Their best local hope: a youth orchestra founded in 1975 known as El Sistema that offers children the opportunity to pursue a life of art in spite of the harshness of the society around them.
Business/Industry	PBS NewsHour	01/05/23 06:00:00 PM	The Federal Trade Commission proposed banning noncompete clauses that prevent workers from switching employers or starting a new business. About one in five Americans, approximately 30 million people, are affected by these policies. The FTC will accept public comments for 60 days before it finalizes the rule. Elizabeth Wilkins of the Office of Policy Planning joined Amna Nawaz to discuss.
Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement	Secrets of the Dead	01/11/23 10:00:00 PM	Father Marius Zerafa, director of museums in Malta, risks his life to recover a Caravaggio masterpiece stolen from a cathedral in 1984.
Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement	PBS News Weekend	01/22/23 05:00:00 PM	In our news wrap Sunday, a gunman killed at least 10 people in the predominantly Asian community of Monterey Park, California, a protest in Atlanta mourning the fatal police shooting of an activist ended in violence, armed extremists stormed a government office in Somalia's capital, and Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin attended Sunday's home game as he recovers from his cardiac arrest.
Culture	The Great American Recipe	01/01/23 01:30:00 PM	Get ready to grab and go as the cooks prepare handheld treats and the ultimate in outdoor dining.
Disabilities	POV	01/09/23 10:00:00 PM	Spurred by the spectacle of a circus tent outside his Oakland apartment, a disabled filmmaker launches into a meditative journey exploring the history of freakdom, vision, and (in)visibility.
Economy	Amanpour and Company	01/17/23 11:00:00 PM	Ursula von der Leyen weighs in on the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland. Where the climate crisis is concerned, few countries have felt the pain like Pakistan in the past year. Pakistan's minister of state for foreign affairs joins to discuss. New details and never-before-seen footage are revealed in director Joe Berlinger's new Netflix documentary, "Madoff: The Monster of Wall Street."
Energy	PBS News Weekend	01/21/23 05:00:00 PM	In the remote village of Ambler, Alaska, temperatures can fall to minus 60 degrees Fahrenheit in the winter, so heating the community is a big job. This past September, Ambler switched to a renewable energy option in an effort to go greener — a change that also means a path toward a more sustainable economy for Alaska Native communities. Alaska Public Media's Elyssa Louehlin reports.
Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters	Nature The Alps	01/04/23 08:00:00 PM	Enjoy the Alps in spring and summertime as newborn animals grow up to face the coming brutal winter.
Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters	PBS News Weekend	01/14/23 05:00:00 PM	In our news wrap Saturday, more classified documents have turned up at Biden's Delaware home, another weekend of severe storms could bring 6 to 8 inches of rain to parts of California already underwater, a barrage of Russian missiles targeted multiple Ukrainian cities, and Robbie Knieval, daredevil motorcyclist and son of legendary stuntman Evel Knieval, died at the age of 60.

Environment/ Nature/Natural Disasters	PBS NewsHour	01/18/23 06:00:00 PM	What do honeycombs, mushrooms and cornhusks have in common? They are all ingredients that a New England guitar maker uses to reduce her impact on the environment. Michelle San Miguel of Rhode Island PBS Weekly has the story for our arts and culture series, "CANVAS."
Health/Health Care	NOVA	01/01/23 12:00:00 AM	Scientists are coming to understand fat as a system akin to an organ -- one whose size may have more to do with biological processes than personal choices. Explore the mysteries of fat and its role in hormone production, hunger and even pregnancy.
Health/Health Care	PBS NewsHour	01/12/23 06:00:00 PM	When sports journalist Grant Wahl died of an aortic aneurysm while covering the World Cup in Qatar, a flood of misinformation took over social media, with anti-vaxxers and conspiracy theorists falsely claiming the COVID vaccine was to blame. Wahl's wife, Dr. Celine Gounder, is an infectious disease specialist. She joined Amna Nawaz to discuss the fight against this kind of disinformation.
Immigration/R efugees	PBS NewsHour	01/16/23 06:00:00 PM	The human rights arms of the United Nations and the European Union have called on Greece to stop criminalizing pro-refugee non-profit groups. Both the U.N. and E.U. say targeting humanitarian groups with prosecutions is having a chilling effect on the efforts to save asylum seekers at sea. Special correspondent Malcolm Brabant reports.
Media	PBS NewsHour	01/06/23 06:00:00 PM	In our news wrap Friday, asylum seekers from Cuba, Nicaragua and Haiti ran into new restrictions along the southern border that sends them back to Mexico if they cross illegally, Mexican authorities are working to restore order in Culiacan after drug cartel gunmen turned it into a warzone and Damar Hamlin is breathing on his own and able to talk four days after his heart stopped during a game.
Media	To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe	01/20/23 04:30:00 PM	Pamala Buzick Kim, the executive director of Free the Work, talks to us about how to increase diversity in the film and TV industry. She talks to us about how she thinks we need to focus on "calling in and not calling out."
Minorities/Civi l Rights	Independent Lens	01/16/23 10:00:00 PM	Evanston, Illinois rookie Alderwoman Robin Rue Simmons led the passage of the first tax-funded reparations bill in U.S. history for Black Americans. What follows is grief and debate as she and her community struggle with the burden to make repair and restitution for its citizens, while a national racial and social crisis engulfs the country. Meanwhile, Texas Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee faces a 30-year battle to pass H.R. 40, a national bill to study reparations and make recommendations. Both women are met with racism and resistance, as well as help from allies and abolitionists within. Together, they pressure the government to deliver monetary justice and appropriate remedies for Black Americans harmed by centuries of chattel slavery, state-sponsored terrorism, systemic injustice, and corporate exploitation. Will the debt ever be addressed, or is it too late for a reparations movement to finally get the big paycheck?
Minorities/Civi l Rights	Fight the Power: How Hip Hop Changed the World	01/31/23 09:00:00 PM	Discover the factors that led to the birth of Hip Hop and its first socially conscious hit The Message by Grandmaster Flash and the Furious Five in 1982.
National Politics/Gover nment	PBS NewsHour	01/03/23 06:00:00 PM	Tuesday marked the start of a new Congress with Democrats retaining the Senate and Republicans taking control of the House. Republican Kevin McCarthy has aimed to be Speaker for years but a group of his own party members adamantly opposed him. The rebellion from far-right lawmakers left McCarthy short in multiple rounds of votes so far. Lisa Desjardins reports from Capitol Hill.
National Politics/Gover nment	Washington Week	01/06/23 08:00:00 PM	After days of failed votes to elect a new speaker, the House is in limbo and questions remain whether Kevin McCarthy can unite Republicans. Plus, President Biden and Mitch McConnell appear together to tout infrastructure. Join Yamiche Alcindor, Ali Vitali of NBC News, Susan Page of USA TODAY, Carl Hulse of The New York Times and Yasmeen Abutaleb of The Washington Post to discuss this and more.
National Politics/Gover nment	PBS NewsHour	01/11/23 06:00:00 PM	In our news wrap Wednesday, newly-elected GOP Congressman George Santos insisted he will not resign after Republican Party leaders in his New York district called for him to quit, the Supreme Court agreed to let New York state continue enforcing a gun ban in sensitive locations and Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin was released from a Buffalo hospital and sent home to continue his recovery.
National Politics/Gover nment	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	01/20/23 08:30:00 PM	Pulitzer Prize winning-author and presidential biographer Jon Meacham discusses how today's leaders compare to their predecessors. Meacham, who has helped craft some of Biden's key speeches, weighs in on today's GOP and whether Biden will run again.
Religion/Ethic s	PBS NewsHour	01/05/23 06:00:00 PM	Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI was celebrated Thursday at a funeral mass in St. Peter's Square with his successor, Pope Francis, presiding. Though retired nearly a decade, Benedict was a leading light for conservatives in the church. Others look at his mixed record on child sexual abuse in the church as a failure. Nick Schiffrin reports.

Science/Technology	Frontline	01/03/23 10:00:00 PM	Investigating the powerful spyware Pegasus, sold to governments around the world by the Israeli company NSO Group. Part one of a two-part series with Forbidden Stories into the hacking tool used to spy on journalists, activists, the fiancée of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi and others.
Sexuality	PBS NewsHour	01/25/23 06:00:00 PM	Pope Francis, in a wide-ranging interview with the Associated Press, spoke at length about his health, his critics and the future of the papacy. Most notably, he called laws criminalizing homosexuality fundamentally unjust and said being homosexual is not a crime. Paul Elie of the Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs joined Geoff Bennett to discuss the pope's interview.
War/Veterans /National Security	PBS NewsHour	01/12/23 06:00:00 PM	The anti-regime protests in Iran have been quieter in major cities following an intense crackdown. Students and activists are vowing to continue their resistance, and have shared details of brutal abuse and torture. Special correspondent Jane Ferguson reports. A warning: some images and accounts in this story are disturbing.
War/Veterans /National Security	PBS NewsHour	01/23/23 06:00:00 PM	In our news wrap Monday, Poland stepped up the pressure to send tanks to Ukraine forces, the FBI's former top counter-intelligence agent in New York is accused of aiding Russian oligarch Oleg Deripaska, the White House fended off new questions after FBI agents found more classified items during a search of President Biden's home in Delaware and prosecutors won more guilty verdicts in Jan. 6 cases.
Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction	PBS NewsHour	02/15/23 06:00:00 PM	A Congressional hearing on fentanyl brought some of the Biden administration's key drug officials together to examine how to address what is now the leading cause of death for Americans ages 18 to 45. Lisa Desjardins has more on the testimony and efforts to tackle the crisis.
American History/Biography	Becoming Frederick Douglass	02/18/23 09:00:00 PM	Discover how a man born into slavery became one of the most influential voices for democracy in American history. Oscar®-nominated filmmaker Stanley Nelson explores the role Douglass played in securing the right to freedom for African Americans.
Arts	Fight the Power: How Hip Hop Changed the World	02/21/23 09:00:00 PM	Experience the 1990s during the Clinton years and the unstoppable rise in popularity of Hip Hop, which becomes a force that is attacked by all sides of the political establishment.
Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover	02/17/23 08:30:00 PM	Brian O'Hara—Minneapolis' first new police chief since George Floyd's death—discusses policing after the death of Tyre Nichols renewed calls for reform. He weighs in on racial disparities, qualified immunity, gun violence and elevated crime rates.
Culture	America Outdoors with Baratunde Thurston	02/08/23 03:00:00 PM	Baratunde explores Los Angeles to see how Angelinos connect with the outdoors in the sprawling city.
Culture	Lucy Worsley's Royal Photo Album	02/24/23 04:00:00 PM	Explore how the royal family has shaped their image with photography, from Queen Victoria to Princess Diana to Prince Harry. From official portraits to tabloid snapshots, the camera has been the Crown's confidante, messenger — and nemesis.
Economy	PBS News Weekend	02/19/23 05:00:00 PM	In 1926, Henry Ford instituted a five-day, 40-hour work week with no loss in pay for having Saturdays off. Now, there's a push to consider a four-day, 32-hour work week with no loss in pay, but how practical is it? Daniel Hamermesh, an economist at the University of Texas, and Joe O'Connor, who helped develop a four-day work week pilot program, join John Yang to discuss
Energy	PBS NewsHour	02/07/23 06:00:00 PM	Attacks on electrical systems were up by nearly 80% in 2022 compared to the previous year. Monday, the FBI said it foiled an alleged neo-Nazi plot to attack multiple substations and transformers around Baltimore. It follows recent physical attacks on electrical stations in North Carolina, Oregon and Washington. William Brangham spoke with Brian Levin about the increasing attacks by extremists.
Environment/Natural Disasters	Dogs in the Wild, A Nature Miniseries	02/15/23 08:00:00 PM	Wild Dogs discover the secrets to their success, from Black-backed jackals who leap skywards to catch prey, to agile gray foxes that climb high into the trees, to African wild dogs who vote on a hunt by sneezing.
Environment/Natural Disasters	The Green Planet	02/22/23 03:00:00 PM	Sir David Attenborough reveals the surprising and dramatic effects of the seasons on plant life.
Family/Marriage	My Grandparents' War	02/28/23 09:00:00 PM	Follow actress Helena Bonham Carter as she explores the heroism of both sets of her grandparents during WWII -- her grandmother, an air warden and outspoken politician, and her grandfather, a diplomat who save hundreds from the Holocaust.

Health/Health Care	PBS News Weekend	02/26/23 05:00:00 PM	The number of Americans taking medicine to get a good night's rest is on the rise, according to new data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The survey found that women, older adults and people with lower incomes were more likely to take sleep medication. Dr. Karen Lee, a neurologist and sleep specialist at Mass Eye and Ear, joins John Yang to discuss the findings.
Immigration/Refugees	PBS NewsHour	02/15/23 06:00:00 PM	Britain expects three to four thousand unaccompanied children to cross the English Channel in small boats this year. The government is trying to devise a way to keep these young asylum seekers safe after the abduction of 200 unaccompanied minors while supposedly under the state's care. Special correspondent Malcolm Brabant reports from Brighton.
Media	Amanpour and Company	02/09/23 11:00:00 PM	In 2014 Putin invaded and annexed Crimea, sparking an international crisis. Catherine Ashton was Europe's foreign policy chief at the time and speaks about Putin's tactics then and now. At 83, Sir Ian McKellen is now taking on the very English entertainment known as pantomime, starring as Mother Goose in a modern retelling of the classic fable. Julia Ioffe discusses her recent reporting on Putin.
Minorities/Civil Rights	Making Black America: Through the Grapevine	02/10/23 10:00:00 PM	From Black Power to Black Twitter, hour four reveals safe spaces created by Black America.
National Politics/Government	Washington Week	02/17/23 08:00:00 PM	Nikki Haley jumps in the race to challenge Trump for the GOP's nomination. Plus, President Biden defends his handling of the Chinese spy balloon and downing of three unidentified aerial objects. Join moderator Yamiche Alcindor, Zolan Kanno-Youngs of The New York Times, Scott MacFarlane of CBS News, Eva McKend of CNN and Ashley Parker of The Washington Post to discuss this and more.
National Politics/Government	PBS News Weekend	02/25/23 05:00:00 PM	In our news wrap Saturday, Nigeria held its presidential election amid delays and scattered violence, winter weather continues to affect the West Coast, Biden ordered federal agents to check on families door-to-door in East Palestine, Ohio, an independent committee recommended gun safety rules to reduce suicides in the military, and the FDA approved the first at-home combo test for flu and COVID.
Science/Technology	Frontline	02/13/23 04:00:00 PM	Investigating the powerful spyware Pegasus, sold to governments around the world by the Israeli company NSO Group. The conclusion of a two-part series with Forbidden Stories into the hacking tool used to spy on journalists, activists, the fiancée of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi and others.
Transportation	NOVA	02/01/23 09:00:00 PM	Thousands of engineers, technicians and workers race to build Europe's biggest construction project; London's new railroad, the Elizabeth Line.
War/Veterans/National Security	FRONTLINE	02/14/23 10:00:00 PM	A look inside the Russian assault on Ukraine's second-largest city, Kharkiv, told by displaced families, civilians caught in the fight and first responders.
Women	To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe	02/17/23 04:30:00 PM	God's Gender: What pronouns should be used to refer to God? Girls & Depression: An alarming report says girls are frequently depressed and suffering from sexual violence. PANEL: Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC), Linda Chavez, Siobhan "Sam" Bennett, Ann Stone
Youth	PBS News Weekend	02/25/23 05:00:00 PM	From baby formula to children's medicine, parents are being battered by a wave of shortages. Chabeli Carrazana, economy reporter for The 19th, joins Ali Rogin to discuss what's missing on store shelves and the effect it's having on families.
Agriculture	PBS NewsHour	03/23/23 06:00:00 PM	The number of self-identified Black farmers in the United States has dwindled over the last century, in part because of overt discrimination by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The agency is the economic backbone for most American farmers through its financing, insurance, research and education programs. Fred de Sam Lazaro reports on a push to help Black and other underserved farmers survive.
Culture	Secrets of the Past	03/10/23 04:00:00 PM	Uncover new archaeological evidence at Tintagel that suggests the legend of King Arthur started in a prosperous and sophisticated trading village in 5th-century Britain following the departure of the Romans.
Disabilities	American Masters	03/11/23 08:00:00 PM	The Becoming Helen Keller documentary revisits how Helen Keller (1880-1968) used her wit and celebrity to advocate for social justice, particularly for women, people with disabilities, and people living in poverty. We think many in the audience will be surprised to learn about Keller's long life and career, and how it remains relevant to our present.
Environment/Nature	NATURE	03/01/23 08:00:00 PM	Discover the truth about the infamous weasel, often associated with unsavory behavior. Do these critters deserve their bad reputation? Follow the adventures of a first-time weasel mom, fearless honey badger and a tiny orphan weasel.
Environment/Nature	Plants Behaving Badly	03/02/23 10:00:00 PM	Revel in the ethereal beauty of orchids and examine their exotic flowers, which are shaped for one purpose – to attract pollinators. Many use sex as a lure, impersonating a female bee or wasp.
Family/Marriage	Finding Your Roots	03/01/23 12:00:00 AM	Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and guests Mario Lopez and Melissa Villaseñor look at the Mexican American experience as seen through the lens of two families.

Health/Health	PBS News Wee	03/05/23 05:00:00 PM	Health insurance companies are changing the way they reimburse doctors who perform a complex type of breast reconstruction surgery. Doctors and patients fear the changes will make the procedure inaccessible to those who can't afford it. Dr. Elisabeth Potter, plastic surgeon and co-founder of the Community Breast Reconstruction Alliance, joins Ali Rogin to discuss.
Housing, Shelter	PBS NewsHour	03/30/23 06:00:00 PM	At the start of the pandemic, we were all urged to stay at home and avoid crowds. But for homeless people, packed shelters made COVID transmission nearly unavoidable. Many cities used federal money to house people in vacant hotels to better protect them. This year, Washington announced it would phase out its program leaving some unhoused people unsure where they will go. William Brangham reports.
Media	Amanpour and	03/28/23 11:00:00 PM	Yesterday an elementary school in Nashville became the scene of the latest mass shooting in America. Dr. Joseph Sakran joins the show to discuss. Netanyahu's plan to overhaul Israel's independent judiciary is testing the U.S.-Israel relationship. Former U.S. ambassador Martin Indyk discusses what is at stake. A new documentary, "Boom! Boom!" racks Boris Becker's rise, fall, and path to redemption.
Recreation/Leisure	PBS NewsHour	03/27/23 06:00:00 PM	If there was ever an NCAA tournament that earned the name "March Madness," this one is it. For the first time, all four No. 1 seeds in the men's tournament failed to reach the Elite Eight or the Final Four, and no one expected the teams that remain. Nicole Auerbach, senior writer for The Athletic, joins Amna Nawaz to discuss what might explain some of these results.
Women	Independent Learning	03/27/23 10:00:00 PM	A story about the power of female talent, the bonds of sisterhood, and the parallels between generations of women's struggles drawn together by a once secret language. Confronting a revived patriarchy, Nushu pushes both Hu Xin and Simu to re-examine their understandings of gender in the modern world, and to discover the connections between traditional Chinese womanhood and contemporary feminism.