

AUDACY RADIO GROUP
ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT
FOR
STATION WSCR-AM
THIRD QUARTER, 2023
JULY 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30

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**WSCR 670 THE SCORE
PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS COMMUNITY ISSUES**

1. Score Values: (Sundays, 6:00am – Duration: 30:00)
Locally produced interview show discussing local charitable causes and events.
2. At Issue: (Sundays, 6:30am – Duration: 30:00)
Locally produced interview show featuring top newsmakers discussing state and community issues.

**ISSUES OF CONCERN TO CHICAGO
ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING IN THE
THIRD QUARTER 2023**

1. Business and Job Development: Creating an economic climate that supports small business and entrepreneurs. Provide assistance to develop new businesses and jobs in distressed economic areas.
2. Crime and Violence: Support of community policing efforts in Chicago, efforts to reduce gang activity and the spread of gangs into the suburbs, ensuring that the police department operates legally and with respect the communities it serves.
3. Neighborhood and Suburban Development: Efforts within the City of Chicago to promote neighborhood cohesion, economic opportunities and housing. Infrastructure concerns.
4. Civil Rights: Enforcing legal rights and developing respect for different races and ethnic groups as well as religious differences; gay and lesbian issues; immigration issues.
5. Family Issues: Helping to maintain stable families; parental education; finding permanent homes for children in state care.
6. Health Care: Providing adequate facilities for health care, particularly indigent care; providing affordable health care and access to services. Dealing with the Covid-19 crisis.
7. Voter Information: Helping voters make personal election decisions by giving insights into those that are running for offices in upcoming elections.
8. Women: Issues impacting women, particularly biases, equal pay, economic security and domestic violence.

I. BUSINESS AND JOB DEVELOPMENT

II. CRIME AND VIOLENCE

Score Values July 9, 2023

Guest: Steve Bernas, President & CEO of The Better Business Bureau Chicago & Northern Illinois

Steve Bernas joined the show to discuss the latest scams that the BBB wants consumers to be aware of.

Score Values July 16, 2023

Guest: Former NFL player Ryan O'Callaghan w/ Parkins & Spiegel

15 minutes of 29-minute program.

O'Callaghan reacted to the Northwestern hazing scandal.

Score Values July 23, 2023

Guest's: Former Northwestern Quarterback Lloyd Yates and Attorney Ben Crump.

8 minutes of 29-minute program

Lloyd Yates and his Attorney Ben Crump spoke to the media to discuss the allegations that Yates and other athletes made against the athletic department in regards to hazing and other alleged inappropriate behavior.

Score Values July 30, 2023

Guest: Dave Revsine of Big Ten Network

7 minutes of 29 minute program.

Dave sat down with Northwestern AD Derrick Gragg, the first public interview with a Northwestern Athletic administrator since the hazing scandal broke. Gragg was asked many important questions on people's minds surrounding the institution's process after learning of the hazing allegations made against several employees of the athletic department.

At Issue

July 30, 2023

TOPIC: The difference between 'public safety' and 'community safety' in Chicago

Guests: Garien Gatewood, Chicago's 1st ever Deputy Mayor for Community Safety 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

As of this recording of At Issue, newly-elected Mayor Brandon Johnson had not chosen a new permanent police superintendent. With an influx of violence on migrants

within the city, teen meetups that would turn deadly & more, the question was posed to Garien Gatewood, Chicago's 1st ever Deputy Mayor for Community Safety, to discuss the difference between "public safety" & "community safety", the future of policing in Chicago and more. Gatewood puts a spotlight on how the city is looking to connect community policing organizations across the city to make it safer for its residents. The change to "community safety" from "public safety" includes more of a focus on not just police & firefighters, but more accessibility to mental health resources, streets & sanitation and other neighborhood based issues.

Score Values September 3, 2023

Guest: Steve Bernas, President & CEO of The Better Business Bureau Chicago & Northern Illinois

18 minutes of 29-minute program

Steve Bernas discussed some scams that the BBB wanted to alert consumers of. These include: student loan, driveway repavement and AI phone scams that have been reported recently.

III. TRANSPORTATION

IV. NEIGHBORHOOD AND SUBURBAN DEVELOPMENT

Score Values July 2, 2023

Guest: Kim Hannay, Executive Director of Digs With Dignity

Hannay discussed the group, which helps furnish the homes of people transitioning out of homelessness.

Score Values July 16, 2023

Guest: Father Tom Hurley, Vice President of Mission for Marist High School

14 minutes of 29-minute program

Father Hurley spoke about Southside Summerfest, which benefitted Marist High School.

Score Values July 23, 2023

Guest: Cortland Hickey, Chairman of the Taste of Lincoln Ave.

15 minutes of the 29-minute program

Cortland previewed the Taste of Lincoln Ave. and discussed what types of community projects proceeds from the event go to.

Score Values July 30, 2023

Guest: Addie Goodman, President & CEO of JCC Chicago

19 minutes of the 29-minute program.

Addie discussed “Violins of Hope,” a traveling residency, touring the Chicagoland area, playing musical instruments restored from the Holocaust era.

Score Values August 6, 2023

Guest: Kelly Habas, Development Director of the Great Lakes Adaptive Sports Association

18 minutes of the 29 minute program

Kelly discusses the work of GLASA, an organization that brings sports programs to people with physical and visual impairments. She also previews several events GLASA has coming up.

Score Values August 20, 2023

Guests: Mully & Haugh

12 minutes of 29-minute program

Mike Mulligan and David Haugh react to Bears President Kevin Warren giving an update on the Bears Stadium project.

Score Values August 27, 2023

Guest: Alyssa Lombardo, Events & Marketing Director at Lakeview Roscoe Village Chamber of Commerce

9 minutes of 29-minute program

Alyssa previews Lakeview Taco Fest and mentions how the \$10 entry suggested donation goes to help many community projects in the Southport corridor.

Score Values September 3, 2023

Guest: Carey Pinkowksi, Race Director of the Chicago Marathon

7 minutes of 29-minute program

Carey joined the Cubs radio booth to preview the 2023 Marathon and discuss the economic impact of the event for local businesses and non-profit organizations.

Score Values September 17, 2023

Guest: Father Steve Bauer, St. Alphonsus Church

8 minutes of 29-minute program

Father Bauer Previews Oktoberfest at St. Alphonsus Church in Lakeview.

Score Values September 24, 2023

Guest: Susanna Wickham, CEO of PAWS Chicago

18 minutes of 29-minute program

Susana discusses the No-Kill missions that they have at PAWS Chicago and how they look to find homes for homeless animals. She also mentions the number of surgeries they do for underprivileged communities to keep animal overpopulation down.

V. CIVIL RIGHTS

At Issue

September 17, 2023

TOPIC: The relationship between racial equity & the arts and how it has changed

Guests: Nina Sanchez - Co-Director of Enrich Chicago

Dr. Anh Thang Dao-Shah - Founder & Principal Researcher of Creative Equity

Research Partners

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

With Chicago's incredibly diverse population, racial equity & diversity are staples in communities throughout the city. After living through the pandemic, the arts have proven to be essential to the common person. Racial equity's role within the art in Chicago provides a spotlight to who makes up the city and with a lack of resources for particular groups, many communities may be shut out. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore sits down with Nina Sanchez of Enrich Chicago & Dr. Anh Thang Dao-Shah of Creative Equity Research Partners to discuss racial equity's relationship with the arts and its perception both socially & politically.

VI. FAMILY ISSUES

Score Values September 24, 2023

Guest: Brendan Siegfried, Director of Development CASA Lake County

8 minutes of 29-minute program

Brendan tells us about Court Appointed Special Advocates in Lake County that build relationships with children in the foster system to help get kids into a permanent home.

VII. HEALTH CARE

At Issue

July 23, 2023

TOPIC: An update on the Treatment Not Trauma ordinance

Guests: Dr. Arturo Carrillo - Deputy Director of Health & Violence Prevention

Any Huamani-Gutierrez - Treatment Not Trauma Organizer

Cheryl Miller, and organizer with Southside Together Organizing for

Power 30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

The Chicago City Council held a subject matter hearing over the Treatment Not Trauma ordinance and WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore will break down what it is, why it's in place and what'll happen in its future. Dellimore is joined by a panel to discuss Mayor Brandon Johnson's campaign promise that will re-open the mental health center closed under former mayor Rahm Emmanuel and providing a program that will send a mental health professionals to mental health emergencies instead of police officers. Dellimore asks the panel about the validity of the previous mayor's claim of the centers not being utilized by the people of Chicago and how it can change with Mayor Johnson backing it. Chicago's ability to handle mental health crises has been a hot topic for years and this episode of At Issue provides a platform for those who stand by the ordinance and advocate for why it can help the people of Chicago.

Score Values August 13, 2023

Guest: Stephanie Lieber, Executive Director of Imerman Angels

15 minutes of the 29-minute program

Stephanie Lieber of Imerman Angels joined the show to discuss an organization that pairs people going through cancer treatment with someone who has gone through the exact same form of cancer. The support can be life-changing for members to have someone to go to who understands exactly what they're going through.

At Issue

August 13, 2023

TOPIC: Dr Ngozi Ezike at the City Club of Chicago

Guest: Dr Ngozi Ezike, President and CEO of Sinai Hospital Systems

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore discusses a conversation with Dr. Ngozi Ezike, President and CEO of Sinai Hospital Systems, who was a guest speaker at the City Club of Chicago luncheon. Dr. Ezike discusses her current missions, looking back at her role as Director of Illinois Department of Public Health, and more. Dr. Ezike touches on how COVID-19 is present within Illinois and how long covid can become a problem for people, who have had the virus, for the foreseeable future. Dr. Ezike addresses if she would change anything about the approach we took to COVID-19 and how unpredictable things were at the time. Many people & businesses were affected by COVID-19 and Dr. Ezike's role with how the state approached COVID-19 affected millions within the city & statewide.

Score Values August 27, 2023

Guest: Alexa James, President & CEO of National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Chicago

15 minutes of 29-minute program

Alexa discussed the tools and resources that NAMI Chicago offers those who are experiencing mental illness and their families. She mentions their help line that anyone in crisis can call. It is available 7 days a week.

Score Values September 10, 2023

Guest: Jill Carlson, Philanthropy Director at Camp One Step

8 minutes of 29-minute program

Jill talks about Camp One Step's initiative of providing active and fun camps for children who are going through cancer treatment.

Score Values September 17, 2023

Guest: Meg & Dan Kresach founders of BrainUp Chicago

15 minutes of 29-minute program

Meg & Dan get you set for the eight annual BrainUp 5K run/walk benefiting Brain Cancer research. They share the story of their daughter Olivia who passed away from brain cancer at age 22.

Guest: Danny Parkins of Parkins & Spiegel

5 minutes of 29-minute program

Danny Parkins took part in the BrainUP 5K and joined the program to discuss the importance of BrainUp to him and his family as Danny's brother Brad passed away from

Glioblastoma in April. He also tells you how you can donate to his team “Respect the Journey.”

VIII. VOTER INFORMATION AND POLITICS

At Issue

July 16, 2023

TOPIC: A look into the future of police leadership in Chicago

Guests: Roseanna Ander is the Founder & Executive Director of the University of Chicago Crime Lab and Education Lab

Kenneth Corey is the former NYPD Chief of Department and worked under New York City Mayor Eric Adams

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

The newly launched Policing Leadership Academy at the University of Chicago & Mayor Brandon Johnson’s search for Chicago police superintendent has caused many to discuss the future of policing within Chicago. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore is joined by Roseanna Ander & Kenneth Corey to discuss how gun violence has caused police to take a different approach in resolving the issue and how the leadership academy can change the future of policing. Roseanna Ander discusses how the academy will be working with many different cities across the country to help build better leaders & officers out of the police staff. Kenneth Corey provides some details on how important the position of police superintendent is to people who may not understand exactly what the role entails, but also why it may not be as easy of a decision for Mayor Johnson.

At Issue

August 6, 2023

TOPIC: Illinois Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi on Trump's 3rd indictment and more

Guest: Illinois Congressman Raja Krishnamoorthi

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

Elected in 2016, Raja Krishnamoorthi was one of the stronger voices raised on Capitol Hill in favor of a commission to investigate the violence and motivation behind the January 6 insurrection. Illinois Congressman, Raja Krishnamoorthi sits down with WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore to discuss former President Trump's third indictment, filling job vacancies, and more. Krishnamoorthi touches on why Donald Trump is still the GOP candidate frontrunner for president in 2024 and how people within the Republican party are reacting to President Trump’s indictments.

IX. WOMEN

At Issue

September 3, 2023

TOPIC: The debate on abortion: Part 1 with Eric Scheidler of the Pro-Life Action League

Guests: Eric Scheidler - the Executive Director of the Pro-Life Action League
30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

With *Roe v. Wade* being overturned in 2022, the topic of abortion has been in the spotlight for over a year. With abortion still legal in Illinois, many people from neighboring states, like Indiana, have crossed into Illinois to have access to the procedure. Within the state of Illinois, it has been a discussion that's been had at every political level and this episode of *At Issue* begins a two-part discussion about the two sides to the debate. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore is joined by Eric Scheidler, the Executive Director of the Pro-Life Action League, to discuss reproductive rights, the organization's goal of saving unborn babies & more. Scheidler discusses the difficulty his organization has faced because of the decision and how public opinion is a leading cause of that. With *Roe v. Wade* being overturned at the federal level, Scheidler discusses how the fight now begins in Illinois have it overturned at the state level and how the Pro-Life Action League intends to go about it.

At Issue

September 10, 2023

TOPIC: The debate on abortion: Part 2 with Brigid Leahy of Planned Parenthood of Illinois

Guests: Brigid Leahy - Vice President of Planned Parenthood of Illinois
30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

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At Issue

July 1, 2023

TOPIC: A discussion on Illinois' high number of deaths related to childbirth

Guests: Donna Miller - Cook County Commissioner

Congresswoman Robin Kelly

Dr. Gwendolyn Oglesby-Odom - Advocate Health

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

The Cook County Board held a hearing on ways to overcome the fact that many Illinoisans were dying because of severe complications during childbirth & before and after pregnancy. This episode of At Issue tackles “Why is that?” & “What can we do about it?”. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore is joined by Cook County Commissioner Donna Miller, Congresswoman Robin Kelly and Dr. Gwendolyn Oglesby-Odom from Advocate Health to discuss the high rates of women facing severe complications or death related to childbirth. Dellimore asks the panel about why the numbers are higher for minorities within Illinois and how a lack of diversity within hospitals & pharmaceuticals may be one of the deciding factors. This At Issue provides a spotlight to address the lack of resources in certain pockets of Chicago and within the state of Illinois for certain minority groups.

X. SCHOOL REFORM AND EDUCATION

At Issue

July 9, 2023

TOPIC: How the 2018 Parkland shooting could still have an effect on policing within schools

Guests: Retired Police Chief Tom Weitzel of Riverside, IL

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

After a sheriff was found not guilty of negligence in connection to the 2018 Parkland, FL school shooting, the topic of policing within schools began to take effect. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore is joined by Retired Police Chief Tom Weitzel to discuss the verdict and the effects that it might have in our community's schools & around the country and why the verdict should or shouldn't surprise you. Weitzel was police chief of Riverside, a suburb of Chicago, in 2018 when the Parkland shooting occurred and has been critical of the police response to the shooting. Weitzel discusses who exactly should be a school resource officer to help prevent other similar school shootings. Within the city of the Chicago, school resource officers are no stranger to local Chicago Public Schools and neighboring areas. Dellimore & Weitzel discuss how the Parkland shooting's effect on the police presence within Chicagoland area schools and how it changed after the Florida shooting.

Score Values August 20, 2023

Guest: Tommy Sternberg, Chair of the Board of Directors, Tutoring Chicago

15 minutes of the 29-minute program

Tommy Sternberg of Tutoring Chicago discussed the need for tutors ahead of the 2023 school year. He also mentioned some of the successes that Tutoring Chicago has brought as far as improved reading and math skills in students.

Score Values September 10, 2023

Guest: Declan McGovern, Executive Director of Music of The Baroque

17 minutes of the 29-minute program

Declan discusses the musical symphony that plays around the city of Chicago from September through May each year and the partnership they have with Chicago Public Schools in helping their musical curriculum with their "Strong Voices" program.

At Issue

September 24, 2023

TOPIC: How Chicago Public Schools is handling student attendance and the influx of non-English speaking students in classrooms

Guests: Dr. Judith Allen is the Chief Operating Officer of Communities in Schools of Chicago

Shipra Panicker is the Senior Director of Intensive Student Supports of Communities in Schools of Chicago

30 minutes out of a 30-minute program

Chicago Public Schools saw enrollment numbers stabilize for the first time in a decade, but a big problem that CPS is facing is getting the students to attend classes. With enrollment numbers staying the same, a big reason why may be because of the influx of non-English speaking students joining classrooms. WBBM Political Editor Craig Dellimore is joined by Dr. Judith Allen & Shipra Panicker from Communities in Schools of Chicago to discuss attendance issues, the asylum-seeking children being enrolled in CPS classes, the challenges CPS continue to face with the number of students (or lack thereof) & more topics that surround schools within the city of Chicago.