

**WCBE-FM
ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT
FIRST QUARTER 2024
01/01/2024-03/31/2024**

ISSUE 1: CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION

01/03/24	6:04 pm	1:20	ODOT works with Ohio EPA to reduce road salt pollution in waterways.
01/10/24	12:04 pm	1:20	With investment, Appalachian Ohio could become a green manufacturing hub.
01/29/24	6:04 pm	1:40	Environmentalists fear feds will open the Wayne National Forest to carbon sequestration.
02/12/24	6:04 pm	4:30	Despite concerns in East Palestine, the EPA says it won't do indoor testing.
02/22/24	6:04 pm	1:30	Feds provide funds to force companies to clean-up inactive "zombie" mines.
02/21/24	12:04/6:04 pm	:40	Supreme Court will hear arguments from Ohio and others about ending drifting emissions regulations.
02/26/24	1:04 pm	1:00	Feds launch the American Climate Corps, to train 20,000 young people in climate related sectors.
02/26/24	6:04 pm	:40	Despite opposition, Ohio approves two bids for fracking operations under Salt Fork State Park.
03/07/24	12:04/6:04 pm	:40	Unusually warm winter allows scientists to model effects of climate change on Great Lakes.
03/11/24	12:04 pm	:45	Northwest Ohio study will look for presence of illegal and OTC drugs in aquatic animals.
03/27/24	6:04 pm	1:30	Environmental advocates say tax breaks are fueling plastic pollution increases.
03/28/24	6:04 pm	4:40	Proposal to capture and transfer industrial carbon waste raises concerns.

ISSUE 2: HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE

01/05/24	12:04 pm	1:20	The rate of chronic diseases in Ohio is rising, with spillover mental health effects.
01/15/24	12:04/6:04PM	1:20	Experts say the racial gap in maternal and infant health persists, including higher rates of depression.
01/22/24	12:04/6:04pm	1:10	10 Ohio universities launch 10-year mental health study with state funding.
01/24/24	6:04 pm	1:00	Legislature overrides governor's veto; cities can no longer ban tobacco products.
01/25/24	12:04 pm	1;00	Senate overrides governor veto on bill limiting healthcare for transgender youth.
01/27/24	7:00 AM	54:00	COVID-19 highlighted gaps and flaws in the healthcare system; discussion of the crises.
02/05/24	12:04/6:04pm	:35	Health officials identify first measles case of the year; warn of need for vaccination.
02/05/24	12:04/6:04pm	1:10	Attorney General Yost asks judge to dismiss the challenge to 6-week abortion ban, letting it stand.
02/06/24	12:04 pm	1:00	Health officials say the spread of the current case of measles was facilitated by sagging vaxx rates.
02/28/24	12:04/6:08pm	1:10	DeWine calls for working group to study how to better utilize state's six psychiatric hospitals.
03/18/24 03/19/24	6:04 pm 12:04 pm	1:10	LGBTQ+ activities oppose Ohio's draft rules for medical care for transgender youth.
03/23/24	7:00 am	54:00	New strategies for old problems; discussion on the future of health care in Ohio.
03/26/24	6:04 pm	:45	ACLU of Ohio sues the state over restrictions on care for transgender youth.
03/27/24	12:04 pm	:40	Emergency rooms will begin reporting data on non-fatal drug overdoses.

ISSUE 3: CRIME AND POLICE

01/11/24	12:04/6:04PM	:45	Juvenile Court will increase use of ankle monitors to handle car theft suspects.
01/15/24	12:04/6:04pm	:35	Non-profit launches Under Triple Digits, to reduce Columbus homicide rate.
02/01/24	6:04 pm	:45	Two Columbus police officers arrested for confiscating and selling drugs.
02/26/24	12:04 pm	:40	Akron settles with 24 individuals arrested in protest following police shooting death of Jayland Walker.
02/07/24	12:04 pm	:35	Police seen increase in guns stolen from cars, then used in other crimes.
02/09/24	12:04/6:04 pm	:45	Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost and others ask Congress to fully fund federal crime victims fund.
02/14/24	6;04 pm	1:00	Deliberations begin in long-delayed Casey Goodson murder trial
02/22/24	6:04 pm	:35	Columbus police launch crackdown on gang problems at Wedgewood and Southpark Apt.
03/05/24	12:04/6:04pm	:45	150 Columbus police receive specialized training in victim interview techniques.
03/11/24	12:04/6:04pm	:45	Ohio distributes millions in Crime Lab Efficiency grants to state and local entities.
03/15/24	12:04 pm	1:10	For the eighth time, Ohio Attorney General Yost rejects language on bill to end qualified immunity.
03/21/24	6:04 pm	:50	Ohio pilots best practices accreditation program, before rolling out to 900 law enforcement agencies.
03/22/24	12:04/6:04 pm	1:20	Experts testify on need to regulate tracking devices used in stalking cases.