

Quarterly Issues and Program List

WKBN-TV/WYFX-LD 1st QUARTER 2022

Pursuant to the disclosure requirements in 47 C.F. R. 73.3526(11)(i), and during the quarter referenced above, this station provided information to its viewers regarding the following significant issues, including:

Community
Employment
Economy
Education
Crime/Law Enforcement

Programs

Channel	Issue	Time	Date	Duration	Title of Program	Narrative Description
27.1	Employment	5:20PM	1/4/2022	105 seconds	27 First News at 5:00PM	JobsNOW JOB FAIR: We spoke to organizers of a Youngstown job fair about the types of positions companies would be looking to fill.
27.2	Crime/Law Enforcement	10:00PM	1/14/2022	105 seconds	27 First News at 10:00PM on Fox Youngstown	MOTHER OF HOMICIDE VICTIM TALKS: On Thursday, on North Truesdale Avenue in Youngstown, the body of 14-year-old Landon Lockhart was found in a wooded area, about a 10-minute drive from his own house. Friday, his mother talked about the tragedy and the family's search for answers. Police are investigating Lockhart's death as a homicide. He had been missing for 53 days. "Jolly. Laughing. Always did things," said Lajena Solomon, Lockhart's mother. Solomon remembers her son as a happy teen. His family nickname is "Boogie" because he loved to dance.

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27.1	Economy	5:30PM	1/21/2022	115 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	WAY STATION DRIVER SHORTAGE: The nationwide driver shortage is now having an impact on our local food banks. A few weeks ago, the Second Harvest Food Bank of the Mahoning Valley sent an email to the agencies it helps advising them to make alternative arrangements to receive product orders because of a lack of drivers.
27.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6:00PM	1/24/2022	150 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	BOARDMAN POLICE BODY CAMERAS: Over the last year, Boardman Police have been working to get body cameras for the department. As of Monday morning, there will be 63 body cameras used by Boardman Police. It's something that Chief Todd Werth said he's wanted since he took over the department 4 years ago. Werth said over the last year, they did their research on which camera would work best for them.
27.1	Employment	5:40PM	1/25/2022	120 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	JobsNOW CANFIELD IT: Computers are an important part of our world. Canfield City has two open positions related to computers. The city is adding two people to its IT department, which can handle any problems. JobsNow looked at the openings and the skills needed to land the job.

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27.1	Education	5:30AM	1/28/2022	70 seconds	27 First News This Morning	CANCELING SCHOOL: First News This Morning looked at how school officials decide to cancel classes when the weather gets bad.
27.1	Economy	6:00PM	2/2/2022	115 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	SUPPLY SHORTAGES: Supply chain struggles continue across the food industry — demand and prices are up, but supply is down. Melissa Poland, the owner of Sweet Melissa’s, said they’re experiencing shortages across the board. Poland said the restaurant typically goes through about 300 pounds of chicken a day. and not only is it hard to get now, but prices have gone up significantly due to inflation.
27.1	Employment	5:20PM	2/8/2022	135 seconds	27 First News at 5:00PM	JobsNOW VALLOUREC: Vallourec has close to 700 workers in Youngstown. You’ll notice more of its products outside in the yard, waiting to be shipped — that’s a good sign, and the company needs more workers to make it. Vallourec is hiring 32 positions. It makes seamless tubular products, roughly 42 to 48 feet long. Much of it is used for underground drilling, which is rebounding.

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27.1	Education	5:30PM	2/14/2022	100 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	STEM SCHOOLS: Some local students are getting a jump-start on their futures. This year, both Jackson Milton and Springfield schools have introduced hands-on STEM programs to their students. Instructor Derick Joy said this class walks them through building robots, circuitry, and workplace safety. The class gives students the opportunity to earn industry credentials upon graduation and get a head start on their careers.
27.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6:00PM	2/22/2022	150 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION: Additional details were released Tuesday in a homicide investigation in Columbiana County. According to Columbiana County Sheriff Brian McLaughlin, deputies were called about 10:33 a.m. Sunday to a property on State Route 45 where they found the body of a man inside. Now, officers believe it may be connected to a recent suicide and an unsolved crime from the past.

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27.1	Education	5:30PM	2/28/2022	135 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	YOUNGSTOWN RAYEN EARLY COLLEGE: A Youngstown high school is helping prepare students for college. “We can change the future by what we present and offer to them,” said Monica Jones, principal of Youngstown Rayen Early College High School. Jones explained the opportunities scholars are presented with while attending YREC. Youngstown State University President Jim Tressel works with Jones on the program.
27.1	Education	5:30PM	2/28/2022	135 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	CAREER TECH MONTH: February is National Career and Technical Education Month. Even though this is the final day, it’s not the last chance to learn about the benefits and importance of a trade education. Some people believe a career and technical education means you can’t go to college. Many students earn industry-recognized credentials at CCCTC and then head off to higher education. Getting a landscape credential, could lead to enrolling at Kent’s horticulture program, but most of the students are learning a skill or trade which will get them a job right out of high school.

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27.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6:00PM	3/3/2022	310 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	27 INVESTIGATES WALMART POLICE CALLS: An investigation by WKBN 27 First News shows that in 2021, the Boardman Police Department responded to the Walmart on Doral Dr. 595 times. Those 595 responses appear to be the most by any one location in Mahoning, Trumbull, Columbiana, Mercer, and Lawrence counties. Of the 595 responses, 298 were for thefts. In fact, according to Boardman police, in each of the past seven years, responses to the Boardman Walmart have exceeded 500 every year, with a high of 738 in 2019.
27.1	Economy	6:00PM	3/3/2022	130 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE: Superintendents from across Mahoning County met Thursday to tackle the issue of a bus driver shortage. The administrators gathered in Poland for a Transportation Roundtable. They were joined virtually by state Rep. Michele Lepore-Hagan, superintendents from Poland, Springfield, Canfield, Boardman, Canfield, Struthers, and representatives from the Educational Service Center were there.

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27.1	Economy	6:00PM	3/9/2022	160 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	TRUCKING AND GAS PRICES: The cost of diesel fuel has been rising for a while and it's getting worse. Joe Kerola of PI&I Motor Freight in Masury said his 400 rigs go through about 5 million gallons of fuel each year, which has jumped in price by about 25% just in the last week. Kerola says the ripple effect impacts just about every sector of the economy since so many depend on shipping and fuel to get from one spot to another. He says the company had been assessing a monthly service fee to cover fuel costs but now, that's happening every week.
27.1	Economy	6:00PM	3/10/2022	150 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	GAS PRICES AND LOCAL BUSINESS: Iron Horse Animal Health Products has been around since 1967. Its products are custom-made mineral supplements that help animals, primarily horses. Ben and Sierra Seidner acquired the business last year. They live in Salem and drive to Volant, so they're feeling the pinch of rising gas prices personally and at the business level. Iron Horse will group shipments together of its 25-pound buckets or 50-pound bags and deliver themselves. This weekend, that means a trip to Kentucky with a full box truck that will burn fuel. Higher gas prices are having a big effect.

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27.1	Employment	5:30PM	3/15/2022	135 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	JobsNOW TIME TO MARKET TECHNOLOGIES: Time to Market Technologies (TTM) in North Jackson makes circuit boards, electronics for the military, oil and gas applications, aerospace and more, and they are hiring. TTM Technologies has been in North Jackson for 37 years. It's hiring production operators for all three shifts.
27.1	Community	5:30PM	3/15/2022	100 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION CAMPAIGN: WKBN Anchor Chelsea Spears hosted a fundraiser on Tuesday for the American Heart Association. She was at Peaberry's Cafe in Boardman as part of her AHA campaign. The coffee was free; people were just asked to donate.
27.1	Community	6:00PM	3/21/2022	115 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	HIGH SCHOOLS UKRAINE COLLECTION: High schools in Columbiana County are teaming up to collect supplies for Ukraine. It has become an entire community effort. The Leetonia Exempted Village School District, along with Columbiana and Crestview schools, and other businesses in the community are collecting supplies for refugees, from baby formula to hygiene products to medical supplies, food, and clothing.

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27.1	Employment	5:30PM	3/29/2022	125 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	JobsNOW CAFARO COMPANY: Sometimes you can be in the right field but maybe just in the wrong place. JobsNow could be the matchmaker. Tonight, we have details on an accounting job that could be a perfect fit for somebody and a great opportunity. The Cafaro Company has openings in its corporate office. One is a unique position that combines accounting with overseeing investments. The company needs an investment accounting manager.
27.1	Community	5:00 to 7:00AM	3/30/2022	8 minutes	27 First News This Morning	HEART ASSOCIATION BOWLING: First News Anchor Chelsea Spears spent the morning previewing a bowling event she helped organize to raise awareness and money for the American Heart Association. It was part of a series of fundraisers that Chelsea and the station had supported.

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27.1	Community	5:30PM	3/30/2022	125 seconds	27 First News at 5:30PM	WKBN SCHOLARSHIP WINNER: The WKBN Caring for Our Community campaign announced its Tom Holden Memorial Scholarship winners on Wednesday. This was the 17th year of asking students to write a public service announcement for a local non-profit organization. The winner’s words get turned into something we air, and we believe the impact this year will be powerful. The winning PSA was written by junior Nathan Baird of Struthers High School to raise awareness about the Help Network of Northeast Ohio.
27.1	Education	6:00PM	3/30/2022	115 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	TEACHER JOB FAIR: With college commencement just a couple of months away, education majors looking to land their first jobs are feeling confident. “They’re looking for the help. They’re looking for teachers, some fresh faces, anybody who wants to be a part of their school community,” said Jennifer Wise, of East Liverpool. Hundreds turned out Wednesday morning for a job fair hosted by the Mahoning County Educational Service Center. They used the opportunity to pass out their resumes and meet with school administrators. While many are finishing their student teaching, others are ready to start working.

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27.1	Community	6:00PM	3/30/2022	120 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	JCC UKRAINE DONATIONS: Three people from the Youngstown Jewish Community Center are taking donations to Ukraine with the Jewish Federation of North America. They will meet and help refugees over the border in Poland. A table full of toothbrushes, cleaning wipes and other items sit inside the JCC of Youngstown — just an example of some of the items ready to help Ukrainian refugees in Poland. “We’ve been asked to bring over-the-counter medication and small things for kids to use to celebrate Passover,” said Lisa Long with Youngstown Area Jewish Federation.
27.1	Crime/Law Enforcement	6:00PM	3/31/2022	250 seconds	27 First News at 6:00PM	YOUNGSTOWN SHELL STATION: There’s a concerted effort underway to reduce the high number of police responses to a gas station at 3200 Market St. in Youngstown, a few blocks south of the Uptown District. A public records request revealed 311 police calls to the station in just one year. Police say WKBN’s record request was an eye-opener.

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The station also aired the following public service announcements during the instant quarter:

Type of Issue	Duration	Title or Narrative
Employment	:30	WKBN Jobs Now
Government	:30	OAB Army National Guard 30
Government	:30	OAB Education Initiative Café
Community	:15	Mahoning County Children's Services
Community	:30	WKBN Scholarship Contest
Community	:30	American Heart Association Vaccine PSA
Community	:30	American Heart Association Remarkable Women Campaign
Community	:30	Rescue Mission Benefit Dinner
Community	:30	Hope Foundation Wine for Hope Event