

WBBM-TV
Chicago Illinois

QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT
FIRST QUARTER 2024

Quarterly Issues and Programs Report

Attached are the listings of broadcast segments and stories that reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of community issues during the 1st quarter of 2024.

Regularly Scheduled Programs

During the reported quarter, the station broadcast the following regularly scheduled programs that routinely address issues of importance to the station's community:

- CBS Mornings, CBS Saturday Morning, CBS Sunday Morning, CBS Evening News with Nora O'Donnell, and CBS2 Local News – All regularly scheduled news broadcasts focusing on current issues and events.
- 60 Minutes - Regularly scheduled one-hour weekly broadcast featuring in-depth interviews and reports of various lengths and topics. Sunday, 6-7pm.
- Face the Nation - Regularly scheduled half hour news broadcast featuring reports and interviews with government leaders, politicians, and international figures in the news. Sunday, 9:30-10:30am.
- 48 Hours – Regularly scheduled news broadcast. Saturday, 9-10pm.

Public Service Announcements – The station airs PSAs in rotation from various organizations that include topics such as diversity, education, civic and charitable service.

In addition, the station makes community responsive coverage available via CBSChicago.com and CBS News Chicago, a 24/7 direct-to-consumer service that streams anchored news coverage and live breaking news events of interest to viewers in the local market.

WBBM-TV Quarterly Issues and Programs List

Community of License: Chicago, II DMA

Issue: *Business: Examining issues related to business/consumers which are of importance to local viewers.*

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
CBS2 News at 6:00AM	01/11/2024	6:00AM	0:25	<p>A POPULAR GUM IS DONE - 6AM</p> <p>Ferrara candy, a Chicago based confections company, announced their infamous fruit stripe zebra printed gum is now being discontinued.</p> <p>The company says that consumer preferences and purchasing trends led to the decision.</p>
CBS2 News at 5PM	01/25/2024	5PM	0:30	<p>BOEING MAX 9 BACK IN AIR - 5PM</p> <p>Boeing's 737 Max 9 aircraft could be back in the air as soon as tomorrow.</p> <p>The FAA ordered the air vessels to be grounded following an incident where a door blew off an Alaska Airlines plane mid-flight.</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	01/30/2024	10PM	0:25	<p>A TRADITION IS GONE AT MACY'S -10PM</p> <p>It's been a staple for years but the Macy's downtown flagship store on State Street has closed its historic candy counter.</p>

				The counter dates to when the store was still named, Marshall Fields.
CBS2 News at 4:30AM	02/02/2024	4:30AM	0:29	<p>METRA TRAIN APP ISSUES - 4:30 AM</p> <p>Metra is dealing with issues on its Ventra App. This all started when the app failed on the first day Metra decided to do away with train ticketing windows. Metra is working to resolve the issue.</p>
CBS2 News at 6PM	02/23/2024	6PM	1:49	<p>A RENOVATION OF AN OLD HOT DOG STAPLE - 6PM</p> <p>An old-style hot dog stand, that's been a staple on Chicago's near west side for years, gets a new coat of paint. CBS Chicago examined the rebrand of Dukes Hot Dog Stand after 70 years in business.</p> <p>Owners shared they are changing the stands look to appeal to changing customers in the neighborhood.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	02/28/2024	11AM	1:40	<p>RANSOM GROUP TAKING CREDIT FOR OUTAGE -11AM</p> <p>A ransomware group called Rhysida is now taking credit for the major ongoing network outage at Chicago's Lurie Children's Hospital.</p> <p>A post on the dark web appears to be asking for millions in exchange for stolen information.</p>
CBS 2 News at 4PM	02/29/2024	4PM	0:14	<p>CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY FARE BOXES - 4PM</p> <p>Many say it has been a long time coming. The CTA Fare boxes you may have noticed have an upgrade.</p>

				The next time you check out for public transportation, you will see improved display screens for paying with cash and Ventra cards.
CBS2 News at 9AM	03/14/2024	9AM	0:30	<p>SHORT TERM RENTAL - 9AM</p> <p>Hinsdale passes new regulations on short-term rentals like Airbnb.</p> <p>Guests will now be required to book a stay no shorter than 90 days. Neighbors complained short term rentals contributed to noise and a lack of parking in their community.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	03/19/2024	11AM	0:45	<p>BALLOT BIG QUESTION – 11AM</p> <p>A big question on the voting ballot today asks Chicago voters to approve raising some real estate transfer taxes to help fight homelessness.</p> <p>Voters are weighing in on the "Bring Chicago Home" referendum.</p>

Issue: *Crime: Examining issues related to local, state, and national crime reports that are of importance to local viewers.*

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
CBS2 News at 9AM	01/18/2024	9AM	0:26	<p>ANOTHER SHOOTING ON THE EXPRESSWAY - 9A</p> <p>A person was shot and killed on the Eisenhower Expressway overnight. At least 25 shots were fired at a car. So far there is no motive or suspects in custody.</p>

CBS2 News at 6PM	01/22/2024	6PM	1:30	<p>TINLEY PARK MASS SHOOTING – 6PM</p> <p>Police say someone shot and killed a woman and her three adult daughters at their home in Tinley Park</p> <p>Someone is in custody, but police haven't said their connection to the victims.</p>
CBS2 News at 5PM	01/23/2024	5PM	0:20	<p>YOUNG TEEN FACING CHARGES -5PM</p> <p>A 13-year-old boy is facing charges for robbing a man at gunpoint. The robbery happened in the Jeffery Manor neighborhood back in November.</p>
CBS2 News at 6AM	02/07/2024	6AM	1:15	<p>TWO TEENS SHOT – 6AM</p> <p>Two teens are in the hospital this morning after someone shot them in two separate shootings. One happened in Roseland, the other in Garfield Park.</p> <p>In both cases police are looking for the shooters.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	02/21/2024	11AM	0:24	<p>HIGHLAND PARK SHOOTER IN COURT -11A</p> <p>The accused Highland Park parade shooter heads to court.</p> <p>A Lake County Judge was expected to decide a trial date.</p>
CBS2 News at 9AM	02/23/2024	9AM	0:20	<p>POSTAL IMPERSONATOR - 9AM</p> <p>Postal investigators say a thief is impersonating a letter carrier in the Loop.</p> <p>They are now offering a \$100,000 reward to help catch the guy.</p>

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CBS2 News at 6PM	03/06/2024	6PM	1:30	DEADLY SHOOTING ON RIPLEY - 6PM Police are investigating a deadly shooting on expressway I-80/94 near Ripley Street. The interstate closed and remained closed most of the morning, while State Police investigated.
CBS2 News at 11AM	03/20/2024	11AM	1:15	DEADLY SHOOTING ORLAND PARK -11AM Police in Orland Park investigate a deadly shooting that happened at an apartment complex. Bystanders were shocked and devastated by the fatal attack.
CBS2 News at 5PM	03/25/2024	5PM	0:30	NEWBORN HURT IN CRASH -5PM Teen is charged for a shooting that led to a crash on the south side. A newborn was among those injured in the crash.

Issue: *Culture: Examining cultural issues that are of importance to local viewers.*

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CBS2 News at 6AM	01/13/2024	6AM	0:40	<p>BULLS RING HONOR – 6AM</p> <p>The first ever Bulls Ring of Honor Red Carpet saluted iconic Bulls players.</p> <p>Some traveled far and wide to come back to Chicago for the first time in years.</p> <p>Tonight, there will be a special ceremony when the Bulls play the Warriors.</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	01/15/2024	10PM	1:40	<p>REMEMBER DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING LEGACY -10PM</p> <p>A south suburban organization is making sure its kids know the meaning behind Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy.</p> <p>Jack and Jill of America, Inc. South Suburban Chicago Chapter is nurturing the next generation of African American leaders to carry on Dr. Kings dream of leadership and service.</p>
CBS2 News at 6PM	01/22/2024	6PM	2:17	<p>CELEBRATING ART AND ARCHITECTURE IN CHICAGO - 6PM</p> <p>The Chicago Architecture Biennial is a city-wide celebration of art and architecture in Chicago.</p> <p>This year, The Joffrey Ballet revived an old Chicago mural featuring pictures of Anne Frank, Malcolm X and others asking, “why were they crucified”.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	02/13/2024	11AM	0:31	<p>FAT TUESDAY IN CHICAGO - 11AM</p> <p>On Fat Tuesday, it is common to see Chicagoans celebrating in Marionette Park. This year, there will</p>

				be live music and a crowd at 115 th Bourbon Street.
CBS2 News at 4PM	02/22/2024	4PM	0:25	<p>HAIR LENGTH RULING - 4PM</p> <p>A law in Texas could influence laws here in the future.</p> <p>A Houston area student and his family filed a lawsuit against his school district after he was suspended because of his hair length. A Texas judge ruled schools can limit a student's hair length.</p>
CBS2 News at 5PM	02/28/2024	5PM	0:40	<p>GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES GRANTS - 5PM</p> <p>Governor Pritzker announces \$10M in grants for film studios in Illinois.</p> <p>That includes the new "Fields Studios" in Logan Square. A production space which is set to be a lynchpin of Chicago's film industry in years to come.</p>
CBS2 News at 9AM	03/05/2024	9AM	00:30	<p>ONE NIGHT PERFORMANCE - 9AM</p> <p>The classic ballet "Giselle" is playing at the Chicago Harris Theatre for a one-night performance.</p> <p>It is performed by dancers with an independent Ukrainian Ballet company, the "Grand Kyiv Ballet".</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	03/114/2024	10PM	0:22	<p>ROOFTOP TITLE IN CHICAGO - 10PM</p> <p>It is a big deal for the social culture in Chicago.</p> <p>The rankings are in, and Chicago received the honor of calling itself</p>

				the home to the best rooftop bars in the Country.
CBS2 News at 4PM	03/18/2024	4PM	0:30	<p>IRISH TRADITION ON CHICAGO'S SOUTH SIDE - 4PM</p> <p>The Southside Irish parade kicked off Sunday to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. The parade has been going on since 1979 and brings out the crowds across the city, wearing true Irish green.</p>

Issue: *Diversity: Examining issues related to diversity that are of importance to local viewers.*

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CBS2 News at 6AM	01/06/2024	6AM	0:20	<p>THREE KINGS DAY DECLARED - 6AM</p> <p>Today Cook County Commissioner, Frank Aguilar, will host a Three Kings Day Declaration.</p> <p>The day commemorates the biblical account of the three kings visiting baby Jesus. There will be photos, toys for children and holiday beverages for all to enjoy.</p>
CBS2s News at 11AM	01/14/2024	11AM	0:20	<p>YOUTH BASKETBALL - 11AM</p> <p>Chicago police teamed up with a local organization to host a youth basketball tournament at the department's training center. Some CPD officers played in the game as well. It was a way to honor Dr. Martin Luther King and community .</p>

CBS2 News at 4PM	02/21/2024	4PM	1:45	<p>DISABILITY HELP FOR STUDENTS -4PM</p> <p>A non-profit that runs a drumming program for students with disabilities could use some help. Unfortunately, they fell victim to thieves who made off with tens of thousands of dollars' worth of drums and equipment.</p>
CBS2 News at 5PM	02/27/2024	5PM	3:00	<p>CROSSFIT CHAMPION NAMED - 5PM</p> <p>CBS Chicago profiled CrossFit Champion, Elisabeth Akinwale. We highlighted how she was introduced to the sport and how she is recruiting other black athletes to get involved as well.</p>
CBS2 News at 5AM	03/04/2024	5AM	0:25	<p>CELEBRATING POLISH TRADITIONS - 5AM</p> <p>Today Chicago is celebrating Casimir Pulaski Day.</p> <p>The Polish Museum of America is holding a program to salute him. Mayor Brandon Johnson and Senator Dick Durbin will be in attendance.</p>

Issue: *Environment: Examining issues related to the environment that are of importance to local viewers.*

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CBS2 News at 5PM	01/09/2024	5PM	0:38	<p>SALT HURTING ROADWAYS - 5PM</p> <p>Chicagoan's may notice more salt on the roads, as the city is under a winter weather alert mode.</p>

				Environmental activists say salt can end up in our waterways hurting humans and animals. They're urging local municipalities and people at home to be mindful of how much salt they spread. One south suburban salt company uses an organic solution for some villages.
CBS2 News at 5AM	01/24/2024	5AM	3:00	<p>CICADAS ARE COMING – 5AM</p> <p>We interviewed an expert to preview what is expecting to be the largest emergence of Cicadas in decades.</p> <p>We examined when they will emerge regionally and why this emergence is good for our environment.</p>
CBS2s News at 10PM	01/29/2024	10PM	0:25	<p>BOIL TAP WATER -10PM</p> <p>Residents living along the Kankakee River are being warned to boil tap water.</p> <p>Officials are concerned about dirt getting into the tap water after flooding caused by ice jams on the river.</p>
CBS2 News at 6PM	02/09/2024	6PM	0:30	<p>SOIL IMPACT STUDY - 6PM</p> <p>Researchers at Northwestern are looking into how soil impacts our climate. They've published a study on carbon types and hope to see which soils best trap carbon. Researchers hope they can help find solutions to slow down human based climate change in Chicago and around the world.</p>

CBS2 News at 4PM	02/22/2024	4PM	0:25	<p>MEETING ON BP REFINERY- 4PM</p> <p>Protesters prepared to show a full force at a meeting in Whiting Indiana, calling for tighter air regulations at the BP refinery.</p> <p>A power outage earlier in the month forced the plant to flare excess gas. People complained of headaches and noxious odors shortly thereafter.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	02/26/2024	11AM	0:30	<p>CLIMATE CHANGE WARNING - 11AM</p> <p>Scientists say our rollercoaster ride of warm temperatures moving quickly to freezing cold this week is going to become the new normal.</p> <p>They say the weather has become more volatile and harder to predict due to climate change.</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	03/07/2024	10PM	0:30	<p>WEATHER HURTING MAPLE SEASON - 10PM</p> <p>The warm winter weather is hurting Illinois' maple syrup season. The weather cut the season short for one family farm in McClean County who says they collected half as much sap as they usually do. This year they started tapping for sap in January instead of February-- the earliest they've ever done it.</p>
CBS2 News at 9AM	03/20/2024	9AM	0:25	<p>TECHNOLOGY WASTE ISSUES - 9AM</p> <p>Americans are creating more electronic waste than ever.</p> <p>There are several locations in the Chicago area where you can instead drop off your unwanted technology in a safe way. Please keep it out of your trash can.</p>

CBS2 News at 5PM	03/29/2024	5PM	4:00	<p>FOOD RECOVERY PROGRAM - 5PM</p> <p>Rush Medical Center and the University of Illinois Chicago team up for a "Food Recovery Program".</p> <p>They take food at risk of being thrown out and bring it to a specialized kitchen which makes it into delicious food for people in need. Food waste is a major contributor of greenhouse gas.</p>
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Issue: *Government: Examining issues related to local, state, and national governments that are of importance to local viewers.*

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
CBS2 News at 5AM	01/08/2024	5AM	0:31	<p>APPLICATION POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY - 5AM</p> <p>Today the community commission for public safety and accountability is opening applications for people to join. The commission is made up of people who live in Chicago and oversees the police department, police board and civilian office of police accountability.</p>
CBS2 News at 9AM	01/16/2024	9AM	0:33	<p>ILLINOIS GOVERNOR SERVES - 9AM</p> <p>Illinois Governor JB Pritzker served as a surrogate for President Joe Biden during the Iowa Caucus. He spoke during a press conference about the republican candidates. The Governor is a member of the President's campaign advisory board.</p>

CBS2 News at 10PM	01/23/2024	10PM	0:50	<p>MIGRANT SHELTERS NAPERVILLE -10PM</p> <p>A suburban leader has a new plan to deal with the growing number of migrants arriving in the Naperville area.</p> <p>A city councilman thinks residents there should volunteer to open up their homes and take in migrant families.</p>
CBS2 News at 5PM	01/25/2024	5PM	1:30	<p>MIGRANT SHELTER CONCERNS - 5PM</p> <p>After seeing a chaotic situation play out in New York City our local alderman and activists express concern about Chicago's migrant eviction plan.</p>
CBS2 News at 4PM	02/14/2024	4PM	1:00	<p>DENIAL OF PROTEST PERMIT - 4PM</p> <p>A coalition wanting to march at the Democratic National Convention held a rally to protest the city's denial of a protest permit. They were denied a permit to protest near the United Center and was told to protest at Grant Park.</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	02/15/2024	10PM	0:20	<p>EARLY VOTING -10PM</p> <p>Early voting commenced in Chicago today at two locations in the city. The Chicago Board of Elections and downtown supersite locations are now open.</p> <p>The Illinois' Primary is Tuesday, March 19th.</p>
CBS2 News at 9AM	02/27/2024	9AM	2:00	<p>CITY COUNCIL GRILL CTA HEAD - 9AM</p> <p>The leader of the CTA is grilled by City Council. Dorval Carter promised to restore service to pre-</p>

				<p>pandemic levels and hire more workers.</p> <p>Many commuters are upset over inconsistent schedules and dirty trains.</p>
CBS2 News at 6PM	03/19/2024	6PM	1:37	<p>PRIMARY DAY ILLINOIS - 6PM</p> <p>Today is Illinois Primary Day. Aside from voting for who you'll see on the presidential ballot in November, you can also vote for who will be able to run for Congress in the fall. Alongside voting to increase taxes on million dollars homes to try and fight homelessness in Chicago.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	03/20/2024	11AM	0:34	<p>CHICAGO HOME REFERENDUM DEFEATED -11AM</p> <p>Mayor Johnson and City Council react to the defeat of the Bring Chicago Home referendum.</p> <p>Johnson vows to keep up the fight to help homelessness. Opponents say its time the city evaluates how it spends the money it already sets aside for the issue.</p>
CBS2 NEWS 10PM	03/28/2024	10PM	0:27	<p>RACE FOR STATE'S ATTORNEY STILL UNDECIDED -10PM</p> <p>CBS Chicago is still keeping an eye on that tight State's Attorney Race in Cook County. The latest vote totals have Eileen O'Neill Burke maintaining a 1600 vote leader.</p>

Issue: *Health: Examining issues related to health that are of importance to local viewers.*

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CBS2 News at 4AM	01/15/2024	4AM	0:30	<p>NURSES COULD STRIKE - 4:30AM</p> <p>Nurses at UChicago Medicine say a strike is not off the table and they plan to rally today.</p> <p>They are pushing for the university to address their concerns over patient safety and sign a new contract. The information on picket and rally starts at 8am.</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	01/18/2024	10PM	0:25	<p>UNDERSTANDING ALZHEIMER'S- 10PM</p> <p>Northwestern scientists make a giant leap in our understanding of Alzheimer's disease. Researchers located strands of RNA that track with brain cell death in Alzheimer's patients. They could prove people with strong memories, have many of those RNA strands.</p>
CBS2 News at 5PM	01/22/2024	5PM	0:46	<p>CUBS PLAYER TALKS ABOUT PROSTATE CANCER - 5PM</p> <p>Cubs' legend Ryne Sandberg is sharing details about his battle with metastatic prostate cancer. Ryne says he was diagnosed last week and has now begun treatment.</p>
CBS2 News at 11AM	02/15/2024	11AM	0:25	<p>BILL TO FUND PSILOCYBIN RESEARCH - 11AM</p> <p>Lawmakers in Indiana move forward with a bill approving funding for Psilocybin research. Psilocybin is the active ingredient in the street drug "magic mushrooms". It has been shown to help patients deal with depression, PTSD and end-of-life-situations.</p>

CBS2 News at 5PM	02/26/2024	5PM	0:40	<p>MATERNAL HEALTH FUNDING - 5PM</p> <p>Governor Pritzker calls for new funding for maternal health including twenty-three million dollars for birth equity.</p> <p>He points out maternal mortality rates for black women are far higher than for white woman.</p>
CBS2 News at 6PM	03/21/2024	6PM	0:30	<p>STIFF REGULATIONS - 6PM</p> <p>A local Alderman calls for stiffer regulations on synthetic cannabinoids. He was joined by doctors from Chicago Lurie's Hospital who say the products, which are often marketed like snack food, have made teens and children sick and experience hallucinations.</p>
CBS2 News at 10PM	03/25/2024	10PM	0:25	<p>PLANNED PARENTHOOD EXPANDING -10PM</p> <p>Planned Parenthood of Illinois is expanding in the South Suburbs. The new facility in Orland Park includes new exam rooms and a lab. It will increase patient access by 50 percent.</p>