WBBM-TV Chicago IL

QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT

1ST Quarter 2023:

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 2023.

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 Suicide Prevention Month, Breast Cancer Awareness, and The Valarie Fund.

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: <u>Business</u>: 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 11am	1/9/2023	11AM	0:22	RECALL PRODUCT FOR KIDS 11AM- Fisher-Price wants parents to take it's recall of the Rock N' Play Sleepers seriously. More than 100 children have died. The recall was first issued in 2019 after 30 infants died. Still Fisher-Price says the circumstances of some deaths haven't been confirmed.
CBS2 News at 10pm	1/11/2023	10PM	0:27	LAS VEGAS ELECTRONICS SHOW 10PM- New at the 2023 Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas is a baby monitor. The Chill-ax Care Monitor is powered by artificial intelligence. The maker says an app analyzes microscopic movements while an infant sleeps. It then provides a high level of accuracy. The device can tell parents whether their baby is sleeping on their stomach and detect any breathing issues
CBS2 News at 6:30am	1/24/2023	6:30AM	0:30	MEGA BUS IS BACK 6:30AM- Starting today, the Mega Bus is back! In partnership with Miller Transportation the Mega Bus will connect Chicago with 23 cities, including Indianapolis, Louisville ar Columbus. The tickets on most routes are \$17.50 one way but we found a fare from Chicago to Gary for only one dollar!

CBS2 News at 5pm	1/30/2023	5PM	2:15	INSURANCE ISSUES at 5PM- Some major insurers, including State Farm are no longer taking Kia and Hyundai drivers as customers in some states. We've been tracking the record surge in stolen Kia's and Hyundai's in Chicago for months.
CBS2 News at 9am	2/10/2023	9AM	2:55	AUTO SHOW KICKOFF AT 9AM- The nation's biggest auto show kicks off tomorrow morning here in Chicago. Hundreds of vehicles will be on display including several cars and trucks powered only by battery. There are \$7,500 federal tax credits on many electric vehicles, but they could go away or be reduced in a couple months. The savings and environmental impact of electric vehicles, depends on a number of factors including miles driven, price of gas and price of electricity.
CBS2 News at 4pm	2/21/2023	4PM	0:25	KIDS CAN SIT WITH PARENTS AT 4PM- United Airlines and Frontier Airlines are giving parents a better seat option. Families with children 12 and younger will now automatically be seated together on United. Frontier says kids under the age of 14 will be seated by at least one adult in their family.
CBS 2 News at 6pm	2/24/2023	6PM	0:19	COOKING RECALL AT 6PM- The Cosori air-fryer is being recalled, at least 2 million of the devices, due to reports of them catching fire or burning due to a faulty wire connection. Some people say they suffered minor burns. If you have one, don't use it, and go to the company's website to get a free replacement.

CBS2 News at 4:30am	3/1/2023	4:30AM	SNAP BENEFITS AT 4:30AM- A boost on SNAP benefits ends today for millions of Americans. Congress voted on the additional benefits in 2020, and some households could see an average decrease of 86 dollars per month. The City of Chicago has resources for families who need meal assistance.
CBS2 News at 5pm	3/21/2023	5PM	PROTECTING DEPOSITS AT 5PM- Stocks are up after Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen reassured bankers that the government will protect the deposits of all customers, just like it did with Silicon Valley and Signature Banks. Intervention is also on the table for First Republic Bank even after nearly a dozen other banks poured \$30 billion into it to keep it from failing.

Issue: <u>Crime</u>: 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 6pm	1/9/2023	6PM		WARNING OF CAR THEFTS AT 5PM- Chicago Police are warning people in Englewood about a string of car thefts. In the past 2 months at least 8 cars have been stolen. Some from the same location. Residents told police they parked their cars on the street and woke up to find them gone. Detectives say the suspect description matches all the crimes.

CBS2 News at 10pm	1/11/2023	10PM	0:25	MURDER ARREST JOLIET AT 10PM-
				Police have arrested a suspect for the murder of a young mother in Joliet who was shot in front of her toddler. 24-year-old Maya Smith was found shot in her car early Sunday morning. Her two-year-old daughter was in the backseat unharmed.
CBS2 News at 5:30am	1/14/2023	5:30AM	0:19	STRIP MALL SMASH AND GRAB AT 5:30AM-
J.Stam				Burglars smashed up a strip mall overnight near Cumberland and Summerdale, just south of the Kennedy on the northwest side. Our nonstop news crew was there as police investigated the break-ins. Four businesses were broken into and burglarized just after three this morning: Plush Pup, China Kitchen, Skills Barbershop and Cabana Lounge.
CBS2 News at	1/23/2023	4PM	2:45	HOTEL SAFETY CONCERNS AT 4PM-
i idili				There are concerns tonight about what's moving into a Magnificent Mile hotel that was previously a known hotspot for violence during the height of the pandemic. Previous guests were forced to sign agreements at check-in stations that they didn't have a weapon and wouldn't throw a party in their room.
CBS2 News at 5pm	2/17/2023	5PM	0:40	FUNERAL EXPENSE HELP AT 5PM- A family is asking for help with funeral expenses, after a father is shot and killed on a local expressway. Humberto Marin-Garcia was driving with his pregnant wife and children, on the Stevenson near Ashland when someone opened fire from another car.

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CBS2 News at 11pm	2/24/2023	11AM	0:27	ARMED ROBBERY WARNING AT 11AM- The Chicago Police Department is putting out a warning for business owners after a string of armed burglaries on the city's northwest side. Police say the thieves mostly targeted mechanics and auto body shops yesterday between midnight at 4:30 a.m.
CBS2 News at 6pm	3/8/2023	6РМ	0:54	CAR THEFTS DISTURBING NUMBERS AT 6PM- For the first time in 15 years, car thefts in the U.S. have topped one million. The biggest increase has happened right here in Illinois. Many of the thefts are tied to Kia and Hyundai models. Kia hopes a new software update will change that.
CBS2 News at 10pm	3/13/2023	10PM	0:24	MAN SHOT IN WEST LAWN NEIGHBORHOOD AT 10PM- A shooting took place in the West Lawn neighborhood where a 46-year-old man was hit during an attempted robbery. This is at 64th Place and Central Park. Police say a man with a gun came up to the victim and demanded his property. The victim tried to run, but the robber fired and hit the victim.
CBS2 News at 9am	3/23/2023	9am	0:23	COUNTERFEIT DESIGNER PRODUCTS SEIZED AT 9AM- The feds seize hundreds of counterfeit designer products at O'Hare. Customs agents and border patrol says the two shipments arriving from Thailand contained knockoffs which could have been worth nearly 400 thousand dollars.

Issue: <u>Culture</u>: Examining cultural issues that are of importance to local viewers.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
CBS3 News at 6:00am	1/8/2023	6:00AM	0:20	CHICAGO MUSEUM CELEBRATING MILESTONE AT 6AM-
				One of the oldest museums in Chicago is celebrating its166th birthday this year. And it's opening a vault to give you a present. The Peggy Notebaert Museum is giving visitors a behind the scenes look at nearly 400,000 specimens. On Thursday, the public can get a look at preserved items more than 200 years old.
CBS3 News at 5pm	1/24/2023	5PM	2:00	LUNAR NEW YEAR CELBRATIONS AT 5PM-
				The Chinatown neighborhood is preparing for Lunar New Year celebrations. Two parades are scheduled this weekend in Chicago. Safety is a top priority following three shootings in California, including one at a Lunar New Year celebration.
CBS2 News at 6pm	1/27/2023	6РМ	3:00	NAZI SURVIVOR SHARES TIMELESS MESSAGE AT 6PM-
Орт				A woman who survived two Nazi concentration camps shares her timeless message of strength on this Holocaust Remembrance Day. Etta Katz is now 99 years old. When the shooting happened on July 4th in Highland Park, her family turned to her for help and guidance.
CBS2 News at 6am	2/9/2023	6AM	2:21	NATIONAL PIZZA DAY CELEBRATED AT 6AM-
valii				Today is National Pizza Day, the day you'll find deals honoring the sizzling crowd favorite. You might also find some debate. We found some friction online regarding the origins of Chicago deep dish. Cultural historians say it was invented at Pizzeria Uno, but several employees left to work at other well-known pizza restaurants.

CBS2 News at 11pm	2/24/2023	11AM	0:45	BLACK HISTORY MONTH STUDENTS AT 11AM- Students at Suder Motessori Magnet School celebrated Black History Month with a special expo. Students presented research projects about Black American history makers.
CBS2 News at 4pm	3/6/2023	4PM	2:14	LOCAL DOCTOR HELPS TURKEY EARTHQUAKE SURVIVORS AT 4PM- For the second time in 2-years, a West Suburban doctor is being hailed a hero. He recently returned from spending several weeks in Turkey, helping survivors impacted by the earthquake. Two years ago, he was honored by the American Red Cross for his acts of heroism.
CBS2 News at 10pm	3/9/2023	10PM	0:35	PURPLE HEART MEDAL RETURNED AT 10PM- The Purple Heart medal is back where it belongs, with the family of a Vietnam Veteran from downstate Illinois.
CBS2 News at 9am	3/16/2023	9AM	3:40	LEGEND OF CHICAGO ARCHITECTURE AT 9AM- As part of Women's History Month, we celebrate a legend of Chicago Architecture. Carol Ross Barney recently won the highest award given by the American Institute of Architects. She calls it a shining light for Chicago and for women in the field.
CBS2 News at 5:30am	3/22/2023	5:30AM	0:24	ADLER PLANETARIUM AT 5:30AM- The Adler Planetarium is helping you celebrate the 50th anniversary of The Dark Side of The Moon. It's an immersive show at the Grainger Sky Theater and will be divided between the 10 tracks on the diverse album. The show starts next Friday, March 31st.

Issue: <u>Diversity</u>: Examining issues related to diversity that are of importance to local viewers.

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CBS2 News at 11pm	1/16/2023	11AM	1:16	DAY OF SERVICE AT 11AM – Doctor Martin Luther King Junior's Day of Service is here. For anyone interested in taking part there are several events around the Chicago area. "City Year Chicago" is hosting its 29th annual Day of Service. This year, AmeriCorps staff members and volunteers are gathering to beautify Parkside Elementary School in the South Shore Neighborhood.
CBS2s News at 6pm	1/23/2023	6PM	0:25	FIGHTING PROPOSED PLAN AT 6PM- Residents continue to fight a proposed plan to move migrants into an old Chicago public school in the Woodlawn neighborhood. Despite their objections, we found city crews hard at work making renovations to the building. The City plans to host a community meeting to answer concerns from residents.
CBS2 News at 5pm	2/14/2023	5PM	2:00	GIVING BACK TO VETERANS AT 5PM- Teens and seniors on the southwest side are giving back to veterans on Valentine's Day. Neighbors at Smith Village Senior Living Community are teaming up with teenagers to make special valentine's gifts for veterans who are patients at Rush University Medical Center.
CBS2 News at 4pm	3/3/2023	4PM	0:15	CHICAGO IRISH FILM FESTIVAL AT 4PM- Irish story telling is the focus at the Chicago Irish Film Festival. Cinema buffs can see features, shorts and documentaries at four locations.

CBS2 News at	3/23/2023	9AM	2:08	FIRST DAY OF RAMADAM AT 9AM-
9am				Today marks the first day of Ramadan. Students at one north suburban school are learning to balance their athletics and faith during this monthlong holiday.

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

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CBS2 News at 6:30am	1/7/2023	6:30AM	0:31	CHRISTMAS TREE OUT OF LANDFILLS AT 6:30AM-
				If your Christmas tree is still in your living room, the Chicago Park District wants to keep it out of a landfill. You can drop your tree off at 26 parks across the city now through the 22nd. Make sure all the decorations are taken off since they'll be turned into mulch. In 2020, more than 22,000 Christmas trees were mulched by the park district keeping 775,000 pounds of trees from landfills
CBS2 News at 10pm	1/10/2023	10PM	0:24	BANNING GAS STOVES AT 10PM- The Federal Government is considering banning gas stoves, calling the appliance a hidden hazard. According to Bloomberg, The U.S. Product Safety Commission plans to act after a recent study linked indoor pollution from gas stoves with childhood asthma. The agency also reported considering new emissions standards for the appliances
CBS2s News at 11am	1/20/2023	11AM	0:25	CHILDREN LIVING NEAR AIRPORT RISKS AT 11AM- A concerning report shows there are risks for children living near an airport. A new paper published in the Oxford University Press found children living near one California airport had higher levels of lead in

				their blood. Leaded gasoline is still used for planes. And experts say the fuel accounts for about two-thirds of lead emissions in the United States.
CBS2 News at 6pm	2/16/2023	6PM	0:20	EARTHQUAKE REPORTED IN ILLINOIS AT 6PM- It's not something we hear about every day,
				but it does happen. A small earthquake rattled parts of Southern Illinois today. The 2-point-4 magnitude earthquake happened around 6:15 this morning near the Missouri
				Illinois-Kentucky state lines.
CBS2 News at 6:30am	2/22/2023	6:30AM	0:22	GETTING RID OF FOAM CONTAINERS AT 6:30AM-
o.soam				If some Illinois State Legislators get their way, say goodbye to foam food containers. They want to phase out single use Styrofoam containers. Each day, the EPA says Americans throw away nearly 70 million plastic foam cups. 22 million pounds of that plastic winds up in the Great Lakes, with about half in Lake Michigan. Groups supporting the idea will rally at the state capitol at eleven this morning.
CBS2 News at 5:30am	3/3/2023	5:30AM	0:25	CLIMATE CRISIS RALLY AT 5:30AM- Today more than a dozen activist groups are heading downtown, to demand an end to the climate crisis. It's one of several climate strikes happening around the world. Activists are urging government and financial leaders to stop supporting the use of fossil fuels. The protest starts at 2 p.m. at Heritage Green Park, near Adams, and ends at Chase Tower.
CBS2 News at 4pm	3/13/2023	4PM	0:40	REUSING YOUR GROCERY BAG AT 4PM-How many times you reuse your grocery bag may be a surprise to you. Researchers found that a thick plastic bag must be used and estimated 10 to 20 times in order to make a difference. That's compared to one single use if you have a cotton bag you need to use it more than 7-thousand times to make it environmentally friendly.

CBS2 News at 10pm	3/17/2023	10PM	3:30	CHICAGO LAKEFRONT SLUDGE AT 10PM- A toxic sludge landfill is stirring up trouble on Chicago's lakefront. Residents are now taking the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to court over their plan to expand the landfill.
CBS2 News at 6pm	3/23/2023	6PM	0:40	STRANGE ORANGE SUBSTANCE IN OAK PARK AT 6PM- Neighbors in Oak Park are struggling to find out what's behind an orange substance that first appeared in their yards back in February. It came with a strong petroleum smell.

Issue: <u>Government</u>: 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 11am	1/6/2023	11AM	0:28	ALDERMAN NOT SEEKING RELECTION AT 11AM – 26th Ward Alderman Roberto Maldonado will not be seeking re- election next month. According to the Chicago Board of Elections Maldonado withdrew his candidacy. Maldonado has served as an Alderman since 2009 and was Cook County Commissioner before that, dating back to 1994.
CBS2 News at 10pm	1/11/2023	10PM	1:30	MAYOR LIGHTFOOT INVESTIGATION AT 10PM- Mayor Lori Lightfoot's campaign was being investigated after a staffer asked Chicago Public School kids to work to get the mayor elected again in exchange for school credit.

CBS2 News at 6am	1/19/2023	6AM	0:19	OVERPAID PROPERTY TAXES AT 6AM-
oam				This week Cook County is sending out more than 47 million dollars in refunds to people who overpaid on their first installation taxes last year. More than 53 thousand people overpaid for property taxes. Most may get the refund deposited in their property owner accounts.
CBS2 News at 5pm	1/26/2023	5PM	0:40	POLLS ARE NOW OPEN AT 5PM- The polls are open in the race for Chicago's Mayor and City Council. Early voting kicked off at the voter super site on Lake and Clark and the election board office at Washington and Dearborn.
CBS2 News at 6pm	2/3/2023	6PM	2:21	VILLAGE OF DIXMOOR WATER TROUBLES AT 6PM- The Village of Dixmoor is taking action to stop a series of water woes over the past few months, including broken pipes, boil orders and even at times - no water. Dixmoor's water pipes are 100 years old. The city is now receiving \$2 million from the Army Corps of Engineers to update the system.
CBS2 News at 4pm	2/15/2023	4PM	1:30	THE ILLINOIS GOVERNOR STATE OF STATE ADDRESS AT 4PM- Governor JB Pritzker gives his State of State address, talking about expanding early childhood learning and childcare.
CBS2 News at 5am	2/27/2023	5AM	0:25	POSSIBLE RUNOFF AT 5AM- Less than 24 hours before polls open with major decisions on the ballot. Four candidates are trying to win the first ward aldermanic seat, including the incumbent, an attorney, a community activist and a former alderperson. If no one wins on Tuesday by more than 50 percent, this race will go to a run-off in April.

CBS2 News at 10pm	3/13/2023	10PM	2:44	PASSPORT DELAY ISSUES AT 10PM- A passport pilot program is causing big problems for people with upcoming vacation plans. A new online renewal system is the problem. It was in a testing phase. We spoke to some who say, they were forced to cancel their plans because their new passports didn't come in time.
CBS2 News at 6am	3/15/2022	6AM	0:22	PET PASSENGERS BILL AT 6AM- Transport can be tricky when it comes to pets. Most animal owners know keeping pet passengers out of the driver's seat can be a task. Now an amendment to a bill moving through the Illinois House would mean a \$50 fine for anyone driving with a pet in their lap. It's meant to prevent distracted driving.
CBS2 News at 5pm	3/23/2023	5PM	0:35	EARLY VOTING OFF TO A STRONG START AT 5PM- Less than 2 weeks to go before Chicago decides who will be the next mayor. Early voting started this week, and already nearly 26,000 people have cast their ballots.

Issue: <u>Health</u>: Examining issues related to health that are of importance to local viewers.

Program	Date of Broadcast	Time of Program	Duration of Story	Episode/Segment Description
CBS2 News at 4pm	1/10/2023	4PM	0:17	TAKING TOO MANY ANTIBIOTICS AT 4PM-
				If you're over 40 beware of taking too many antibiotics. Research in the Journal Gut says frequent antibiotic use for people over

				40 can increase the risk of inflammatory bowel disease, Crohn's disease and colitis. The risk is greater up to 2 years after using antibiotics to treat a gum infection.
CBS2 News at 10pm	1/12/2023	10PM	0:25	LONG COVID STUDY AT 10PM- Encouraging news for those fighting "Long COVID" including people in Chicago. Researchers say they have a better sense of when those symptoms should ease up.
CBS2 News at 6pm	1/20/2023	6PM	0:30	NEW TRAINING PROGRAM AT 6PM- Seven high school students graduate from a new emergency medical responders training program. The students completed 56 hours of training and now have guaranteed jobs with Superior Ambulance. This is the first time students were able to enroll in the training program.
CBS2 News at 5am	2/1/2023	5AM	0:25	EYE DROP WARNING AT 5AM- A warning from the CDC to stop using "Ezricare" brand eye drops. The CDC is investigating 50 infections in 11 states, that led to one death, permanent vision loss and hospitalizations. Because the eye drops are preservative-free, they don't have ingredients to prevent bacterial growth.
CBS2 News at 11am	2/15/2023	11AM	0:40	MEDICAL HELP FOR VETERANS AT 11AM- There's a new resource to help veterans living in the southwest suburbs and dealing with PTSD. "K-9's for Veterans" is expanding to a new location. Of the 76 dogs they've trained for veterans, not one veteran has been lost due to PTSD suicide.

CBS2 News at 4pm	3/6/2023	4PM	0:14	COVID STATUS LYING AT 4PM- A new study found that a quarter of parents lied about their children's COVID status, leading to the increased spread of the virus in the Chicago area.
CBS2 News at 9am	3/22/2023	9am	0:23	FDA CONSIDERING RECOMMENDING BI-VALENT BOOSTER SHOT AT 9AM- The FDA is considering whether to recommend another bi-valent COVID-19 booster shot. Sources say the recommendation would be for anyone considered high risk like someone over 65 or those with weakened immune systems. The bi-valent booster targets the original strain of COVID and two of the omicron variants. It's not clear when the FDA a could make its decision.