

## **WBBM-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT**

**October 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019**

**ATTACHED ARE LISTINGS OF BROADCASTS WHICH, IN THE STATION'S JUDGMENT, REFLECT OUR SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF ASCERTAINED COMMUNITY ISSUES DURING THE PERIOD OF**

**October 1, 2019 THROUGH December 31, 2019**

### **PROGRAM INDEX**

**CBS 2 MORNING NEWS, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 4:30 – 7:00AM;**

**CBS 2 NEWS, MONDAY-FRIDAY [30 minutes], 11AM, 5PM, 6PM & 10PM**

### **ON WEEKENDS**

**CBS 2 MORNING NEWS, SATURDAY 5-6:00AM & 8-9:00AM; and SUNDAY 5-8:00AM**

**CBS 2 EVENING NEWS, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, 5PM and 10-11:00PM**

### **SYNDICATED:**

#### **Gospel Superfest: Holiday 19, Sunday, 12/25/2019 11:35pm-12:35am,**

Gospel Superfest Holiday 19 shines as a powerful, one-hour TV spectacular with a unique blend of Holiday and gospel music performances. The up-tempo presentation features, LeAndria Johnson, Isabel Davis, Jonathan Nelson, Adriann Lewis-Freeman, William Murphy, Tonya Baker, Ricky Dillard & New G, Demetrius West & JP, The Shelby 5, Doe Jones and more. The show also honors the legendary Rance Allen Group for lifetime achievement. Wendy Raquel Robinson hosts **Gospel Superfest: Holiday 19**, which was recorded in Dayton, Ohio, and narrated by Faith Daniels.

## THE DURATION OF STORIES IN THIS REPORT RANGE FROM ONE TO THREE MINUTES

### GOVERNMENT:

**October 4, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** Mayor Lori Lightfoot wants to know what Chicagoans think about establishing "cannabis zones" for legal pot dispensaries. Starting January 1st, recreational marijuana will be legal in Illinois. The city is holding public meetings on October 8 at Malcolm X College, Wednesday October 9th at Kennedy-King College... and Thursday, October 10th at Truman College.

**October 5, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Federal records show Congressman Lauren Underwood of Illinois received money from people associated with the e-cigarette company JUUL. Underwood is an outspoken critic of vaping.

**October 15, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** The mayor's current plan is to split Chicago into seven recreational marijuana zones when it becomes legal. That would be a maximum number of stores each. However, this is not what the members of the black caucus want. The Chairman Jason Ervin says he plans to introduce a new ordinance to delay the sales in Chicago until July of 2020. He says there needs to be more minority operators.

**October 25, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** President Donald Trump is headed to Chicago on Monday. This will be his first visit here since 2016. A Chicago Police Department Spokesperson says up to 1,800 additional police officers will be available on Monday when the President arrives to handle planned protests.

**October 28, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** President Trump unleashes a verbal attack on Chicago and our police superintendent during his first trip here as President. Superintendent Johnson last week said he did not share the president's view, so he was not going to his speech. The President called Chicago more dangerous than Afghanistan.

**November 1, 2019 (CBS 2 News at 10pm)**, The mayor of Michigan City is facing multiple charges tonight. Mayor Ron Meer faces five counts of intimidation, two counts of lying to police, and one count of official misconduct. The charges come as the city's police chief and assistant chief resigned over a dispute with the mayor last week.

**November 12, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot met with lawmakers in Springfield today to try to push for reform to solve the city's budget crisis. The mayor says keeping casino taxes at the current level does not make it profitable for the owners or the city.

**November 13, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** A new CBS News poll shows a deep divide on impeachment. 43-percent of Americans say the President should be impeached over his dealings with Ukraine. 40-percent say no. 17-percent say it is too soon to tell.

**November 14, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11a)** The Chicago city council is meeting with Mayor Lori Lightfoot laying out alternatives to fill a budget hole without raising property taxes. The mayor's team has a plan B to make up \$50 million in revenue she needs help from state lawmakers to get. The budget team expects \$10 to 15 million in savings from refinancing debt. The city will also save \$20 million by slowing hiring, \$6 million in health care costs. The council will vote on the budget on November 26th.

**November 21, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Congress hears testimony from the final witnesses in the impeachment inquiry against President Donald Trump. The former Russia and Ukraine expert for the national Security Council, Dr. Fiona Hill remembered getting angry during a conversation with E.U. Ambassador Gordon Sondland.

**December 9, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** One of Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx's primary opponents is questioning her petition signatures, claiming most of them are forced, fake or invalid. Former Chicago Alderman Bob Fioretti's campaign manager filed an official objection with the Cook County Clerk's office.

**December 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11a)** In a few weeks, you will be able to legally buy recreational marijuana in Illinois. Today, the process to expunge cannabis convictions in Cook County begins. State's Attorney Kim Foxx will personally file the first motions later this afternoon.

**December 13, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Taxpayers in Oak Lawn are on the hook for a \$100,000 exit deal, paid to the former village manager. That same man, Larry Deetjen just resigned after getting charged in a hit-and-run crash.

**December 17, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** A city official is charged with fraud. He is accused of racking up thousands of dollars on a credit card, then claiming he did not buy the items. George Coleman is accused of spending thousands of dollars on his American Express card, then telling the credit card company he did not make the charges.

**December 20, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 4:30a)** It is a standoff in Congress over the impeachment of President Donald Trump. House lawmakers adjourned for the holidays without sending the articles of impeachment to the Senate. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi says she will not send the case to the senate until Republican leader Mitch McConnell lays out the rules for the trial.

**December 27, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** It's no holiday break for lawmakers on Capitol Hill strategizing about the looming Senate impeachment trial for President Donald Trump. As the President continued his string of Twitter attacks against Democrats the House Speaker Nancy Pelosi fired back with a Tweet saying the President "abused his power" for personal gain.

**December 30, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11a)** The U.S. Army is joining the Navy in banning the use of the popular Chinese social media app TikTok on government owned phones. An army spokesperson says the app is considered a security threat. It comes after both Democratic and Republican lawmakers urged the military to assess if the app could be used to collect American citizens data.

## **CRIME:**

**October 9, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** The father of 5-year-old AJ Freund is working on a plea deal. Andrew Freund is accused of murdering his son and trying to cover it up. The deal could all hinge on how much information he is willing to give prosecutors about the terrible crime.

**October 15, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5)** A 53-year-old man is shot in the neck while sitting in his car on Ashland near Waveland. Police say a white SUV pulled up and someone inside fired shots hitting him. He is in critical condition.

**October 18, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11a)** Someone speeding away from Aurora police ended up crashing into a car, sending three people to the hospital. Police say they got a call about someone stealing from a Walmart on Kirk road last night. When they saw a car matching the description of the suspects, they chased after it. However, that driver crashed into another car with three people inside. They were all seriously hurt. So was the suspect.

**October 22, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** A 60 year old woman is charged with stabbing a woman several times at a Lake County Forest Preserve. The attack, believed to be random, happened in front of the victim's young son.

**October 25, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** A former employee at a far north suburban school is accused of hurting special needs students. Nicholas Izquierdo worked at Gages Lake School. It is attended by students with significant emotional and behavioral needs. He now faces excessive force charges.

**November 1, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Chicago police are questioning a person of interest in connection with the shooting of a 7-year-old girl on Halloween. The little girl was trick-or-treating when she was shot in the chest and neck in the Little Village neighborhood.

**November 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11a)** A knife fight leaves one person dead and three hurt outside a Portage Park bar. Police say a group of men were walking to their car on Irving Park Road near Sutherland's Food and Spirits when someone in another car hit theirs. Then a fight broke out. The man who hit their car got out and stabbed the four victims, killing one person. Police are still looking for him.

**November 20, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** a murder on Chicago's South Side leave Police looking for who did it. The search is on for a man who was arguing with his girlfriend right before she is found shot to death. The woman is 22 years old. She was found with a gunshot wound to the head around ten o'clock last night on Morgan Street near 102nd. Her boyfriend is wanted for questioning.

**November 22, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Police are questioning 3 teens in connection with the disappearance and murder of a woman. Adriana Saucdeo's body was found in an abandoned school in Gary. Police say the teens shot and robbed her while they were selling her marijuana.

**November 25, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** A suburban bus driver was arrested after cameras on the bus captured her drinking beer behind the wheel. 44-year-old Michelle Passley was seen drinking out of a brown paper bag while driving a bus full of kids. None of the kids from Ci Johnson Elementary in Aurora were hurt.

**December 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** Two girls are hurt after they allegedly stole a Robbins police car in a McDonald's parking lot. They crashed the stolen car on the Bishop Ford. The officer left his car running the fast food parking lot, while he ran in to grab lunch.

**December 12, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** Police say a southern Illinois woman drove with a gun hidden in a child's car seat. 24-year-old Nicole Horton faces multiple weapons charges including possession of a stolen firearm and unlawful use of a weapon.

**December 13, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Police are talking to a 13-year-old boy in connection with the murder of a Chicago nurse. 32-year-old Frank Aguilar was shot outside his sister's home November 12th. Police say within the past 2 weeks detectives questioned a 13-year-old boy who is believed to be the shooter.

**December 17, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Police are searching for the gunman who opened fire on a housing complex in Gary, killing a 4-year-old boy who was sleeping inside. The little boy's pregnant mother was also shot. She was wounded in the arm and suffered a graze wound to her face.

**December 20, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11a)** A 4 year old boy is killed and his pregnant mother is in the hospital after bullets come through their window while they are sleeping. Someone fired multiple shots into their Gary apartment near 23rd Place and Morton Avenue. It is unclear if this shooting was random or if the family was targeted.

**December 26, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** A South Side postal carrier likely saved some people's Christmas' when he tackled and held two suspected package thieves. The entire incident was caught on a neighbor's surveillance cameras. Two teens are now facing misdemeanor charges.

**December 30, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** Chicago police are searching the block where a 6-year-old boy was shot. It happened around 5pm at night near 83rd and Exchange Street in the South Chicago Neighborhood. Police say the boy was walking down the street when he was struck in the arm.

## **CONSUMER:**

**October 2, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** Bank fees are spiking! Bank rate says the average cost to use an out of network ATM is now \$4.72. That is a new record. In addition, overdraft fees are almost at an all-time high at more than \$33. However, your bank needs your permission to charge overdraft fees which you can say no to.

**October 14, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Illinois drivers have shelled out more than a billion dollars in red light camera fines. Now, a group of lawmakers is trying to advance a bill to get rid of the cameras all together.

**October 17, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** A warning if you plan to let your teenagers fly by themselves over the holidays. The Morning Insiders discovered a little known loophole that could leave your kid stranded at an airport for hours with very little supervision. After a viewer told us about her son's horror story, Morning Insider Tim McNicholas learned United Airlines might have found a fix and is considering giving parents the option to pay for an unaccompanied minor ticket if the child is 15, 16 or 17.

**October 29, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Two more major American airports, Boston and LAX, are banning curbside rideshare pickups at the terminal. An O'Hare spokesperson says there are no plans to eliminate curbside pickup here.

**October 30, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Those who grow and package pot in Illinois are looking for a new crop of employees. They need to hire more workers to meet the expected demand of recreational pot sales. They are looking for cultivation agents, chemists and production managers.

**November 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** It is an influencer's nightmare, Instagram is experimenting with hiding the number of likes on your pictures and those likes could disappear as soon as today. You will still be able to see the likes your pictures get, but they will be hidden from your followers.

**November 15, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Nissan is recalling 394,000 vehicles. Brake fluid can leak and start a fire. The recall includes some newer model Maximas, Muranos and Pathfinders

**November 19, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** The NTSB is recommending Boeing redesign the protective covering on a fan blade in their plane's engines, after one broke off last year killing a passenger on a Southwest flight. It shattered a window, and 43 year old Jennifer Riordan was partially sucked out of the plane and died.

**November 22, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** A warning to keep this in mind the next time you fly. If you hop on a Frontier or Spirit Airlines plane, you are more than twice as likely to be bumped! In 2018, Frontier bumped about six passengers per 100,000 people. Compare that to Alaska Airlines, which bumped about two passengers per 100,000. The good news is the study found being bumped is happening a lot less often.

**November 29, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** The Secretary of State's office launched Operation Black Friday, secretly targeting holiday shoppers who misuse parking spots meant for the disabled.

**December 2, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** A new report shows "a vast majority" of retail "apps" are leaking your information! The security company "Now Secure" says 92% of online-only stores could be leaking sensitive info. This includes your credit card number and even social security number. The study only looked at Android apps.

**December 3, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** If you are looking for a smart TV for Christmas, the FBI has a warning for you. Without the proper precautions, they could be targets for hackers. The F.B.I. says be sure to update the security settings regularly. Also, if the built in microphones bother you, be sure to turn them off.

**December 5, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6am)** A Spirit Airlines glitch made people miss their flights! Some passengers woke up to emails yesterday morning, saying their flights were delayed or canceled all together. However, their flights were actually on time. Spirit says they fixed the issue.

**December 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** A new report reveals the FAA anticipated more disasters with the Boeing 737 Max, but didn't ground the plane until after the second deadly crash. After the Lion Air crash in October 2018, safety officials estimated there would be 15 additional crashes involving the Max jet over the next few decades.

**December 18 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Weeks after the GM strike ended, dealerships are still waiting for critical car parts. A Downers Grove man has been without his car for months, because it needs a timing valve and the part is still on backorder. GM does not have a timetable when it will be back to its standard two-day window for parts.

**December 24, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** A new law mandates recordable cameras be in place along Chicago area expressway by January 1st in hopes of helping solve shootings. However, CBS 2 has learned the program is likely months away from starting.

**December 31, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** To kick off the New Year the CTA wants to promote safety through free rides. From ten tonight until four in the morning free bus and train rides will be available. Pace and ADA Paratransit will also be offering free rides.

## **HEALTH:**

**October 1, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** Head to the sea for soothing. Researchers in England say coastal living can improve your mental health. They found lower rates of anxiety, depression, and other mental disorders in areas closer to the water. It is the same story in posh seaside resorts and poorer harbor towns.

**October 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Health inspectors were sent to an Alsip grocery store after a customer recorded video of a mouse, snacking on cheese in the deli section. The store immediately took action, bringing in pest control.

**October 24, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** A new study shows 90% of employees come to work when they are sick. The most common reasons are they had too much work to do, or did not want to use sick time. Chicago is one of the top five cities where workers show up sick.

**October 25, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** A second person in Illinois has died of a vaping-related illness. Overall, 153 people in Illinois have experienced lung injuries from vaping, ranging in age from 13 to 66-years-old. Health officials have not determined the exact cause.

**October 28, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** The maker of Xanax is pulling some bottles from pharmacy shelves. Mylan Pharmaceuticals is recalling the anti-anxiety drug because some pills might contain a foreign substance that could lead to an infection.

**November 4, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 430a)** A new study from the American Academy of Pediatrics suggests the number of kindergartners not being vaccinated for what parents describe as 'religious reasons' appears to be on the rise. Families claiming religious exemptions jumped when 'personal belief' exemptions were eliminated. Forty-five states permit religious exemptions to school vaccination laws. Doctors strongly support vaccinations for children.

**November 6, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** Undergoing surgery is not only a stressful event for patients but for families as well. However, new technology is changing that uncertainty, allowing hospital staff to send texts, photos and video updates to families when a loved one is in surgery. A new app called "Ease" allows doctors and nurses to provide live updates from the operating room to anyone the patient chooses. More than 60 hospitals are now using the app. Loved ones and friends do not have to be inside the hospital to receive alerts and texts. They can be anywhere in the world. The app also has several security features in place to make sure sensitive medical information is protected.

**November 19, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** The FDA has approved the first contact lens for children who are nearsighted. The lens is designed to slow down progression of the condition. The lens will be available next March

**November 21, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** The death toll from vaping is rising here in Illinois. The state health department now reports five people have died from lung problems caused by e-cigarettes.



**November 25, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** The Naperville organization that serves thousands of adults and children with autism is in danger of closing. The organization's home is too expensive to keep up and the city will not let the organization sell the building to a developer who plans to knock it down.

**December 2, 2019 - (CBS News at 4:30a)** The Chicago Department of Public Health says it is not too late to get your flu shot. The department is offering clinics this week to give out free shots of the vaccine. They say flu season typically peaks in January and February and getting a shot is the best protection against it.

**December 11, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Researchers say higher levels of a potentially cancer-causing chemical are showing up in the blood of people who live near a Waukegan plant. An 11-year-old boy who lives about a mile from the plant is among those with ethylene oxide levels nearly twice that of an average non-smoker.

**December 12, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** They take care of patients, but nurses may need to take better care of themselves. A new report shows nurses do not get enough sleep, which can compromise patient care and safety. NYU researchers found nurses sleep just under seven hours on a workday but more than eight hours on their days off.

**December 13, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Three cases of Legionnaires' disease are all possibly linked to a suburban hospital. All three were patients at Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital, and were diagnosed with the disease. The Hospital is investigating.

**December 20, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** A woman who works at Medline in Deerfield gave blood this week for the 100th time. She had to take six years off after battling breast cancer. Medline holds blood drives at their office 8 times per year. Each time they hold a drive they save approximately 300 lives.

**December 29, 2019 (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** This year's flu season in Chicago started with a twist. Doctors say a certain type of flu we usually see near the end of the season is making an early visit. Flu type B is often seen in the spring. It is a little less severe and has the same symptoms like fever and body aches.

**December 30, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** Children who drank whole milk were less likely to be overweight or obese. Canadian researchers analyzed 28 studies for the research. Kids who drank whole milk instead of two percent were 40 percent less likely to be overweight.

## **DIVERSITY:**

**October 7, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** Court is now in session with Judge Barbie presiding. Mattel is introducing Judge Barbie, complete with a traditional black robe and tiny gavel. Judge Barbie comes in four different skin tones and four different hairstyles. This "Barbie career of the year" doll has a mission to inspire girls. Right now, just 33% of sitting U.S. state judges are female.

**October 9, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** A war of words spilled out regarding race, trustees and Oak Park's new diversity statement. It was proposed to include the phrase. "We work to break down systems of oppression." When trustee Dan Moroney who is white said that might offend police officers, another trustee Susan Buchanan was upset.

**October 11, 2019 - (CBS News at 430am)** Cheryl Angelelli tells us she never imagined she and her partner would be the top wheelchair dance couple in the United States. She is also the co-founder of dance mobility, a movement to help other individuals in wheelchairs learn to ballroom dance and tomorrow she is holding her first class in Illinois. The hope is to develop a club here where more people who are in wheelchairs can learn to dance.

**October 13, 2019 - (CBS News at 6pm)** The Chicago Marathon is just days away, but for one group, the training is about more than just running. Gumbofit is a fitness group that focuses on building a community for the underrepresented. Working with minorities in the west and south side, encouraging healthy lifestyles.

**October 20, 2019 - (CBS News at 5pm)** The Cook County jail is giving detainees Naloxone, or Narcan when they leave lock up. The life-saving kits have been used at least 130 times. The detainees are taught how to use the opioid reversal drug.

**November 1, 2019 - (CBS News at 430am)** Dia De Los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead, is now underway for many families here in the Chicago area and around the world. The holiday celebrates death as a natural part of the human experience. There are several Day of the Dead celebrations in the Chicago area this weekend, including a parade in Pilsen on Saturday.

**November 5, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** Families say they were victimized by racism at a Buffalo Wild Wings in Naperville. A white customer did not want to sit next to black people. Today the parents, kids and coaches demanded Buffalo Wild Wings change their hiring and training practices.

**November 6 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** As Veteran's Day approaches, we honor those who have served our country. Today a south suburb is giving special recognition to one of the Tuskegee Airmen. Today the Olympia Fields post office will be renamed in honor of Captain Robert Martin. He lived in the south suburb. Martin was a member of the African American military pilots who fought segregation to serve the country in World War II.

**November 21, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** A Naperville Central High School student is charged with a hate crime for a racist post on Craigslist. The posted showed a classmate with the caption, "slave for sale." The student has been suspended from school.

**November 26, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** We are asking the Secretary of State's office why they do not advertise their mobile units. The taxpayer-funded program is designed to make it easier for people with disabilities to renew their licenses and get placards. However, mobile units are not listed anywhere online.

**December 5, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 6pm)** Recreational marijuana becomes legal in Illinois in January. However, some Chicago aldermen want to postpone sales to July. The black caucus is calling on the delay to make sure minorities have opportunities to own pot businesses.

**December 10, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 11am)** It is a word you probably used multiple times a day. However, this year "they" took on a new use, making it Merriam-Webster's word of the year. "They" was searched 313% more this year. The dictionary added a new definition to "they" to reflect its use as relating to a person whose gender identity is non-binary.

**December 12, 2019 - (CBS News at 4:30am)** The shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Des Plaines is going to be packed today. Worshippers come throughout the night and into the morning to celebrate the feast day. The last mass is tonight at 7pm.

**December 15, 2019 (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** The state wants to make sure minorities get their fair share of the remaining licenses to sell recreational marijuana. Applicants must have hundreds of thousands of dollars in needed starting costs and some entrepreneurs say that money is hard to come by. Applicants are graded on a 250-point scale, and social equity entrepreneurs can earn as many as 50 extra points for their business plans.

**December 20, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 10pm)** Money trouble at the Chicago non-profit that treats mental health patients. Social workers at Community Counseling Centers of Chicago, or C-4 are facing delays in their paychecks and a change to Cobra for their healthcare. The company's CEO would not respond to our specific money questions.

**December 30, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 5pm)** Those DNA tests to trace your roots could soon get a lot more expensive. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services is proposing a huge fee hike that would more than quadruple the cost of applying and getting some records. The agency says the increase is needed to cover operating costs.

**December 27, 2019 - (CBS 2 News at 4am)** The fight for \$15 minimum wage movement appears to be working. Although it is not there just yet, the New Year brings raises in minimum wage for workers in 24 states as well as 48 cities and counties. Starting in January, the minimum wage for Illinois workers jumps to \$9.25 an hour. It goes up to \$15 dollars and hour by 2025.