WBBM-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT

April 1, 2018 – June 30, 2018

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

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PROGRAM INDEX

CBS 2 MORNING NEWS, MONDAY - 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 10-11:00P

SPECIALS:

CBS 2 Weather Watch: Storm Safety, Saturday, 05/05/2018 10:40pm-11pm

In response to severe weather and tornados throughout Illinois, the CBS 2 Weather Watch Team created a 30 minute news special, which provided information to keep Illinoisans safe from severe storms. The Weather Watch special was hosted by CBS 2's meteorologists Megan Glaros, Mary Kay Kleist and Ed Curran.

Gospel Superfest: A Salute to Black Music, Sunday, 6/17/2018 2pm-3pm,

Television/Movie star Wendy Raquel Robinson hosted a star-studded musical celebration featuring the top names in gospel music, including Erica Campbell, Ricky Dillard & New G, Bryan Popin, Brian Courtney Wilson, and The Howard University Gospel Choir.

Recorded in Dayton, Ohio.

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

GOVERNMENT:

April 9, 2018 – **(CBS 2 News at 6p)** - Illinois US Senator Tammy Duckworth is making history again. She is now the first U.S. Senator to give birth while in office. Duckworth gave birth to a baby girl today. It's the second child for Duckworth who lost both legs while on active duty in the military.

April 11, 2018- (**CBS 2 News at 430a**) – Chicago Building Inspectors are severely behind on investigating complaints. The City Inspector General found a backlog of more than 5-thousand complaints dating back to 2013. Two hundred of the complaints are for serious health and safety hazards.

April 16, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – The debate over paying sales tax for online purchases heads to the U.S. Supreme Court. Small businesses that ship goods to a state where they have no physical presence don't want to collect sales tax. More than 40 states want that to end.

April 16, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – The U.S. Supreme Court rejected the appeal of former Illinois Governor Blagojevich. Now out of legal options, he may be looking at a presidential pardon. Blagojevich was a contestant of Donald Trump's Celebrity Apprentice show.

April 27, 2018 – (**CBS 2 News at 5p**) – The boss of the Illinois Veterans Department is out. Erica Jefferies was in charge during the fatal Legionnaires outbreak at the downstate Quincy veteran's home. Since 2015, 13 vets died and more than 60 were sickened in the outbreak.

May 4, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – President Trump takes the stage at the National Rifle Association convention in Dallas. The event attracts plenty of attention but even more so this year as the issue of gun safety intensifies. He's addressing the conference for the fourth year in a row.

May 17, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – City lots are again available for just a buck. More than three thousand empty lots on the South and West Sides are available for just one dollar. The city program to improve neighborhoods started in 2015. So far, the program sold more than 12-hundred lots with many turned into gardens or social spaces.

May 23, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – The City Council gives final approval for the Obama Presidential Library in Jackson Park. Mayor Emanuel phoned the former president to personally deliver the good news. The official estimate for infrastructure is 175-million dollars but the city is looking for help from the state.

- May 23, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p) Chicagoan and former Trump Campaign adviser George Papadopoulous faces sentencing for lying to the FBI. The DePaul graduate admits to the charges and is expected to cooperate with investigators on the Russian probe.
- May 25, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 6p) –Mayor Emanuel gets the green light for the new Police and Fire Academy. The approval votes follows two days of delay and protests. Some community groups don't want the police academy and instead want more mental health funding, jobs, and youth programs.
- **June 5, 2018** (CBS 2 News at 430a) Mayor Emanuel is apologizing after a shocking report that reveals CPS students faced sexual abuse in some schools. CPS has posted a plan of action for parents to view on how they plan to protect students in the future.
- **June 12, 2018-** (**CBS 2 News at 6p**) A judge halts suburban Deerfield's effort to ban assault weapons. Gun owners had until today to remove assault weapons. The National Rifle Association filed suit saying the ban was unconstitutional. A judge agreed and issued a temporary restraining order.
- **June 18, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 11a)** A South Side Alderman now uses a converted bus to meet residents and hear what they have to say. Alderman Toni Foulkes says she's launching the initiative to improve social and economic conditions in her ward.
- **June 19, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 5p**) President Trump says he only has two options for immigration: separating children from their parents or "open borders". The President is calling on Congress to come up with a third option for the immigration crisis.
- **June 27, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 10p**) A major victory for Governor Bruce Rauner at the U.S. Supreme Court. The nation's high court ruled that unionized state workers could opt out of paying dues if they choose. The Governor supports the state worker who is the plaintiff in the case. The largest state union spoke out against the ruling and the Governor.

CRIME:

- **April 12, 2018** (CBS 2 News at 11a) Some terrifying moments for parents and children inside a packed Chuck-E-Cheese restaurant. Police say shots rang out in the parking lot near 50th and Kedzie in the Gage Park neighborhood. A person identified the victim as a gang member who suffered a gunshot wound to the hand.
- **April 18, 2018** (CBS 2 News at 6p) A Des Plaines woman is in jail accused of hiring a hit man to kill her lover's wife. DuPage County prosecutors say the 31-year-old woman sent more than 10-thousand-dollars in bit coin to what's called a dark web company to solicit the hit. Police were tipped to the plot and made the arrest.

- **April 20, 2018** (CBS 2 News at 5p) Carjackers targeted a vehicle without knowing an armed off-duty Chicago Police Officer was behind the wheel. The officer exchanged gunfire with the suspects who fled. The officers say the three suspects jumped in his car shortly after he parked to run an errand.
- **April 25, 2018-** (CBS 2 News at 430a) A parolee on the run from police for 10 hours in Chicago is back in custody in north suburban Glenview. A parole officer first tried arresting the suspect on the South Side. The parolee managed to overpower the officer and run while still handcuffed.
- **April 25, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 10p)** A suburban man with 16 drunk driving convictions is sentenced to 16 years in prison. The 52-year-old man pleaded guilty during a court appearance. The judge sentenced him to 15 years for drunk driving and one additional year for driving with a revoked license.
- May 9, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 430a) A notorious gang leader, suspected of shooting an A-T-F agent in the face, is now in federal custody. The suspect surrendered after a four day manhunt in Chicago. The shooting happened in the Back of the Yards neighborhood while federal agents were replacing a court approved tracking device on a car.
- May 14, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 11a) A South Suburban school bus driver faces charges for pushing and choking a child on a bus. Prosecutors say the 36 year old woman pushed the child into a seat after he spilled food and refused to clean it up. Bus surveillance cameras caught the entire incident.
- May 18, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 5p) The suspect in the Dixon, Illinois school shooting appears in court to face charges. Matt Milby faces multiple weapons charges for opening fire at Dixon High School during a graduation rehearsal. A school resource officer stopped him before any students were injured in the shooting. He's being held on two million dollars bond.
- May 25, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p) A confessed serial killer will spend the rest of his life in prison. Indiana prosecutors called Darren Vann an evil psychotic predator. Vann admits to killing seven women. His sentence of seven life sentences allows him to avoid the death penalty.
- May 30, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 6p) A South Suburban community bands together to find out who beat a grandmother to death inside her home. They canvassed the Chicago Heights neighborhood of the 82-year-old woman. Her family has no idea who would want to hurt her.
- **June 1, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 430a)** Chicago Police release new crime numbers that show gun violence is down for a 15th month in a row. Police say they responded to 246 shootings in May compared to 258 last May. There were 46 murders compared to 58 at this time last year.

- **June 15, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 5p**) A 12 year old girl visiting from Michigan is the latest Chicago gun victim. Her family is struggling to cope with the murder. She was standing outside with family members when shots rang out. Police say she was the unintended victim.
- **June 18, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 6p**) Burbank Police search for the hit and run driver who killed a 9-year-old boy. Police say the car hit the boy and his mother as they crossed the street near 86th and Cicero. Police believe the driver was behind the wheel of a gray four-door vehicle.
- **June 21, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 10p**) A shooting on the Stevenson Expressway leaves one man dead. State Police say they responded to what they initially thought was a crash. An unconscious man with two gunshot wounds was inside. No suspects are in custody.
- June 25, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 11a) Orland Park Police are trying to figure what led to a murder suicide in a busy restaurant parking lot. A 45-year-old woman was shot and killed outside the P.F. Chang's restaurant. Police say the gunman was a 59-year-old man found nearby with a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Authorities say the two had a previous relationship.

CONSUMER:

- **April 6, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 6p)** Carson's is considering closing more stores in the area. The company says it's considering closing the store in Hobart, Indiana and laying off 137 workers. The chain already closed 42 stores across the country including five in the Chicago area.
- **April 18, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p)** Chicago now has the best restaurant in the world. Elite Traveler Magazine says Alinea in Lincoln Park gets its top honor. The magazine says the restaurant brings innovation, passion and excellence to the global dining scene.
- **April 20, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 430a**) Illinois is launching a program to require many employers to create voluntary retirement savings plans for their employees. The plan applies to businesses open for at least two years with at least 25 employees. The companies must also offer payroll deductions.
- **April 25, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 5p)** A new safety warning has been issued for more than one million Audi drivers. The company is recalling 1.2 million cars and SUVs because the electric coolant pumps can overheat and even catch fire. Dealers are required to replace the pumps at no cost.
- **April 26, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 11a)** It's the end of the road for the Ford Taurus. The cars are built at the company's Torrence Avenue plant on Chicago's South Side. Ford says it's ending production as a way to remain more competitive.

- May 4, 2018– (CBS 2 News at 6p) We are learning how many people in Illinois may have had their Facebook data shared with third-parties. The company estimates more than eleven-thousand users installed an app accessed by the British company, Cambridge Analytica. Cook County filed suit against Facebook last week, saying they didn't take the proper steps to prevent sharing.
- May 17, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 430a) A dog friendly restaurant chain is set to open its first establishment in Illinois. The Daily Herald says the Lazy Dog Restaurant and Bar will open later this year in Vernon Hills. Besides dog friendly patios, the restaurant offers dog menus with canine hamburger and chicken snacks.
- May 21, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p) The Post Office is unveiling its first ever "scratch and sniff" stamps. The "Frozen Treats Forever" stamps feature popsicles in scents such as orange, blueberry and root beer.
- May 25, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 11a) McDonald Shareholders voted against eliminating plastic straws at its U.S. locations. Despite a strong environmental push, the fast food chain says it isn't ready to part ways yet with plastic straws. The chain reportedly hands out 95-million straws around the world every day. The company says it's working on alternatives.
- May 25, 2018 (CS 2 News at 5p) A serious safety warning has been issued for millions of drivers. Fiat Chrysler is recalling nearly 5-million cars, SUV's and trucks because of a glitch which may mean drivers may not be able to turn off cruise control. The company is asking drivers not to use cruise control until their cars get a software update.
- **June 13, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 6p)** It was a frustrating and crowded ride for suburban METRA riders today. METRA is implementing a new safety system that triggered schedule changes and delays. The rail line says it's adding additional cars for the busy run to help relieve the overcrowding on some trains.
- June 14, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 5p) Billionaire developer Elon Musk in Chicago today getting the green light for his plans to roll out a futuristic high-speed train. The underground cars will send commuters from downtown to O'Hare Airport in just 12 minutes. He hopes to start drilling in 3 or 4 months.
- June 25, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 11a) Facebook wants to help you track how much time you spend online. The social media company is launching a new tool to show users how long they are on the site. The tool will show the average amount of time spent on the site each day in a week.
- **June 27, 2018-** (CBS 2 News at 10p) A new warning about renting or chartering boats on Chicago's lakefront this summer has been issued. The Coast Guard says to make sure the boat is properly licensed. At least twenty boat owners faced fines for doing business without proper licensing.

June 28, 2018 – (**CBS 2 News at 430a**) – Career Builder is out with a list of jobs paying at least 20-dollars an hour that don't require a college degree. The career advice company says there is demand for workers from skilled trades, technology and health related field. Electricians, surgical techs and fitness trainers all make nearly 21 dollars an hour.

HEALTH:

April 2, 2018 – **(CBS 2 News at 11a)** – It's more than just a wardrobe choice, a lot of people are wearing blue today in recognition of World Autism Awareness Day. In Chicago and around the world, blue lights shine from buildings in support. Experts say one in 68 children in the U.S. are on the Autism spectrum.

April 4, 2018 – (**CBS 2 News at 430a**) – The American Medical Association says there could be a health risk to going broke. It's called "Wealth Shock". Researchers at Northwestern University say suffering a major financial loss in mid-life can be linked to a greater risk of dying in the years to follow.

April 13, 2018 – **(CBS 2 News at 5p)** – Some sobering medical news about drinking. A new study says adults should limit themselves to one alcoholic drink a day. The researchers found more than seven drinks a week can shorten your life. It can also raise the risk of stroke, heart disease and aneurysms.

April 18, 2018 – **(CBS 2 News at 6p)** – A proposal to ban youth tackle football in Illinois is on hold. The bill's sponsor doesn't have enough votes to get it passed this session. Research suggests a link between recurring blows and chronic traumatic encephalopathy or CTE. The lawmaker says she'll now focus on educating people about the dangers.

April 26, 2018 – **(CBS 2 News at 10p)** – White Sox pitcher Danny Farquhar is showing signs of improvement following a brain hemorrhage. He was rushed to the hospital last week after collapsing in the dugout during a game at Guaranteed Rate Field. Doctors say he's taken a few short walks in the hospital and other improvements. He will still be out the rest of the season.

May 1, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – Prom night at the Shedd Aquarium turned into a nightmare for dozens of suburban students. The City Health Department is trying to figure out what made them sick. About 90 students came down with food poisoning-like illness following the prom but it's not clear if it was something they ate at the aquarium or elsewhere.

May 14, 2018 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – First Lady Melania Trump is resting today after a kidney procedure. The First Lady's office says she underwent an embolization procedure to treat a benign kidney condition. She's expected to remain in the hospital for a few days.

- May 18, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 430a) The Centers for Disease Control says the e-coli outbreak linked to romaine lettuce is likely over. The shelf life of romaine lettuce is 21 days and the contaminated produce is now out of circulation. The tainted lettuce led to one death and more than 172 infections in 32 states.
- May 22, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 5p) Eating one egg a day is good for you. Researchers say including an egg in your diet could reduce your risk of heart disease. A new study finds that eating an egg daily can lower the risk of dying from heart attacks by 18-percent.
- May 30, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 6p) West Nile Virus is back. The Public Health Department spotted the first mosquitos with the virus in suburban Glenview and Morton Grove. Health officials advise you to stay vigilant and wear bug spray.
- **June 11, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 5p)** A new study finds that toddlers are consuming too much sugar. Researchers say 99 percent of infants between 19 and 23 months old averaged just over seven teaspoons of sugar a day. That is more than the amount in a chocolate candy bar. The daily recommendation is 6 teaspoons or less a day for children 2 to 19 years old
- June 12, 201-(2018) (CBS 2 News at 11a) Beware of germs lurking on your kitchen towel. Researchers say using dishtowels for so many purposes in the kitchen makes them vulnerable to cross contamination. The report says surprisingly the risk is the same for people using disposable paper towels.
- **June 13, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 6p)** Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart says the opioid crisis is hitting new records. Opioid related overdoses kill more people in Cook County than car crashes or gun violence. A new court ordered program would help jail inmates with recovery with their release from jail.
- **June 18, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 430a**) A new report says a sleepy teen today could be a heart patient later in life. Doctors say kids who don't get enough sleep could put them on a path to heart trouble in the future. Researchers say teens who sleep fewer than seven hours a night tend to have more body fat, elevated blood pressure and higher cholesterol.
- June 26, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p) A warning for residents in the north suburbs about mosquitos with West Nile virus. Officials say mosquitoes tested positive for the virus in Evanston, Glencoe and Northfield. Experts say residents should get rid of any items that can hold water.

DIVERSITY:

- **April 4, 2018-** (**CBS 2 News at 6p**) Church bells in Chicago and around the country are ringing in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 50 years ago today, the civil rights leader was gunned down in Memphis. The site of his assassination is now the National Civil Rights Museum.
- **April 17, 2018-** (CBS 2 News at 11a) Chicago blues legend Buddy Guy takes up a cause near to his heart. Guy is speaking out in support of prostate cancer awareness. He lost his brother to the disease ten years ago. Guy is encouraging other blues musicians to be tested.
- **April 19. 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 5p**) –Starbucks says it will close stores around the country including Chicago for a day of diversity training. The decision follows the arrest of two African American men at a Philadelphia Starbucks while waiting for a meeting.
- **April 20, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 430a)** Legendary TV anchor Jane Pauley is the keynote speaker at the "Women in the Forefront" luncheon in Chicago. DePaul University also honored the CBS Sunday Morning Anchor for her trailblazing career in journalism.
- **April 27, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p)** A prom for special needs students takes place at Walter Payton High School. It's the 15th annual "Best Buddies" prom. Each special needs student is paired with a non-disabled peer for an evening of dancing and fun.
- May 17, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 430a) Chicago White Sox broadcaster Jason Benetti says it's just fine to ask him about his disability. Benetti is out with a series of public service announcements to help kids and adults learn more about people like him with Cerebral Palsy. The spots are part of the Cerebral Palsy Foundation's "Just Say Hi" campaign to raise awareness.
- May 24, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 5p) A posthumous pardon today for black boxer Jack Johnson. The first black heavyweight champion went to prison in Chicago in 1913 because of racism. He was convicted of violating the Mann Act and later for marrying a white woman. President Trump signed the pardon in the Oval Office with a member of Johnson's family looking on.
- May 25, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 11a) The music of soul singer Patti LaBelle is ringing out at a local theater. LaBelle is the subject of the latest production at the Black Ensemble Theater. The play gets high marks for not only the music but also the costumes.
- May 28, 2018- (CBS 2 News at 10p) Starbucks stores across Chicago and the nation will close tomorrow for staff diversity training. Some 175 thousand employees of the coffee giant will attend racial bias education training. This follows an incident in Philadelphia where two African American men were arrested while waiting for a business meeting.

- May 30, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 6p) Comedian Roseanne Barr blamed the sleep aide drug Ambien for her racist tweet. She says the drug is the reason she compared former Obama advisor Valerie Jarrett to an ape. ABC quickly cancelled her show over the incident.
- **June 6, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 430a**) A new statue of Chicago poet Gwendolyn Brooks will be unveiled at the South Side Park in her honor. In 1950, Brooks became the first African American writer to win a Pulitzer Prize. The statue unveiling coincides with her birthday. Brooks lived nearly all her life in Chicago.
- **June 7, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 5p**) Oprah Winfrey is already a cultural icon and now she's the subject of a new exhibit at the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History. It's called "Watching Oprah" and features artifacts from her Chicago talk show as well as other memorabilia from her career and life.
- **June 11, 2018-** (**CBS 2 News at 11a**) Students from Marjory Stoneman Doulas High School took center stage at the Tony Awards in New York. Survivors of the deadly school shooting performed the song "Seasons of Love" from the play Rent.
- **June 18, 2018** (**CBS 2 News at 6p**) Catholic Charities is offering Chicago's homeless some dignity with a new facility to shower and do laundry. The center will also have toiletries, towels and laundry soap. A similar project at the Vatican is the inspiration for the Chicago center.
- June 22, 2018 (CBS 2 News at 10p) US Senator Dick Durbin says border crisis now has a Chicago connection. Durbin revealed that 66 of the more than 2-thousand children separated from their families at the border are being sheltered in Chicago. A nonprofit shelter in Chicago is caring for the children until they are reunited with their families.