



**Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
2021 Annual Report**

Corporation for Public Broadcasting

This report was created to comply with the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's requirement that stations receiving funding under the Community Service Grant complete an annual Diversity and Inclusion Report. The report is publically available at wttw.com and covers WTTW's hiring goals, guidelines, employment statistics and action undertaken to satisfy the Diversity Eligibility policy.

Mission

WTTW is committed to producing and presenting trusted, best-in-class content fueled by a distinctly Chicago sensibility. We engage our audiences by entertaining, inspiring, educating, and reflecting a diversity of perspectives.

Our Values

- Curiosity: We are driven by an appetite to learn and know more – inside the organization, the greater Chicago area, and throughout the wider world – and we use what we learn to inspire our audiences to explore.
- Commitment: We are committed to building an innovative, creative, and collaborative culture that enriches, engages, and inspires our audiences.
- Trust: We operate ethically, transparently, and with integrity.
- Respect: We treat people fairly, value one another, and foster a safe environment that encourages collaboration, communication, and consideration.
- Excellence: We strive to be a best-in-class content company by setting the highest standards of quality in all that we do.
- Diversity & Equity: We celebrate differences, embrace inclusivity, and strive for equity. The stories we tell, as well as the people in front of and behind the camera and microphone, reflect the myriad faces and voices of our region.
- Fun: We believe in an enjoyable, positive, and team-oriented workplace. We're committed to hard work that produces great content, and we don't take ourselves too seriously.

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Statement

At WTTW, championing diversity, equity and inclusion is fundamental to our culture and our purpose of enriching lives, engaging communities, and inspiring exploration. We are dedicated to creating an inclusive and socially reflective organization that empowers our employees and reflects our commitments and values.

Hiring Goal

To hire and retain a diverse workforce that represents the community in which we broadcast.

How we meet our goals:

- Provide a work environment that fosters inclusion.
- Encourage work/life balance.
- Post all jobs with a wide range of organizations representing minorities, women, persons with disabilities and more.
- Require hiring managers to interview at least one qualified diversity candidate for each open position filled.

DEI Resource Group

We formed the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Resource Group to ensure we remain focused and accountable. Comprised of 18 employees representing every department at WTTW, the DEI Resource Group works tirelessly to make certain that diversity, equity and inclusion, is, and remains, the norm here.

The Resource Group's goal is to enhance our work environment so that we can recruit and retain a more diverse, more inclusive workforce that reflects the diversity of the local community, in front of and behind the camera and microphone, which in turn informs and amplifies the stories we tell. We believe that a diverse and inclusive organization is a more innovative and successful organization, which is why we aim to infuse diversity, equity and inclusion into all aspects of our culture and our business.

Our approach to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion focus on three key areas:

<u>Workforce</u>	<u>Production & Programming</u>	<u>Community</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Recruiting ○ Fostering Inclusion ○ Employee Engagement ○ Training & Development ○ Providing Leadership Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ WTTW ○ WFMT ○ WTTW News 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engagement ○ Supplier Diversity (supporting the economics of the communities we serve)

Internships

WTTW offers a wide variety of internships to undergraduate and graduate students. Areas of internship opportunities include TV production, marketing, development, broadcasting, social media, and web. To source a diverse group of students, all candidates are recruited through postings on our website, local universities and professional websites. In 2021, WTTW hosted approximately 19 interns. This number was greatly reduced from previous years due to the impacts of COVID-19.

WTTW Community Engagement

- 100% of events were virtual
- 58 Total Events
- 102,000 People Reached
- 22 Children Events
- 12 WTTW Kids Activity Calendars
- 36 Community Screenings
- 17% of Community Screening films were directed by women
- 14% of Community Screening films were directed by BiPOC
- 75% of Community Screenings focused on issues pertaining to BiPOC Community
- 76% of Community Screening Panelists were BiPOC
- 65% of Community Screening Panelists were Women

Federal Communications Commission's Equal Employment Opportunity Guidelines

WTTW complies with the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) Equal Employment Opportunity requirements for recruiting and outreach with the following initiatives:

- Participation in scholarship programs designed to assist a diverse group of students interested in pursuing a career in media.
- Establishment of an intern program designed to assist members of the community to acquire skills needed for media employment.
- Participation in general outreach efforts through job banks, Internet and other similar programs.
 - All jobs are listed with the following organizations:
 - NAACP
 - Operation Push
 - Chicago Urban League
 - National Latino Education Institute
 - Asian Human Services
 - Anixter Center
 - Mayor's Office
 - Illinois Center for Broadcasting
 - Chicago Christian Ind. League
 - American Women Radio/TV
 - Illinois Dept of Employment
- Listing each upper-level opening in a job bank or newsletter of a media trade group with broad-based membership including the participation of women and minorities.

See the WTTW EEO Public File and Outreach Initiatives, interactive.wttw.com/about/employment, for more detail.

Demographics

	WTTW	State of IL*
Male	49.2%	49%
Female	50.8%	50%

	WTTW	State of IL **
White	60.8%	73.8%
Hispanic	17.5%	6.2%
Black	14.6%	12.9%
Asian	5.9%	4.4%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.6%	0.9%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.1%	0
Two or More Races	2.1%	1.8%

	WTTW	State of IL**
20-24	3.8%	9.5%
25-34	19.2%	20.2%
35-44	16.2%	19%
45-54	14.3%	18.5%
55-64	23	19.1%
65-74	23.4	13.6%

*State of Illinois Data from U.S. Census Bureau: State and County Quick Facts,
<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/17000.html>

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<https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/IL>

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<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=illinois%20age&tid=ACSST1Y2019.S0101>