In the first crucial hours, police could not get access to video surveillance, a witness and other key information in a shooting that left two students dead, two wounded. CPS says it cooperated.
Two Loretto executives worked together to steal nearly $500,000 from the safety-net hospital, which is meant to serve the poorest Chicagoans, according to a criminal complaint.
Resident leaders and even a member of the Chicago Housing Authority board called for CEO Tracey Scott to go, but some alderpeople praised “progress” at the agency.
A program called RainReady has proven to help mitigate flooding - so much so that there’s a waitlist in Oak Park. But despite Chicago’s promise to launch in 2019, it’s not yet off the ground.

Las Inundaciones Son la Catástrofe Natural Más Amenazadora de Illinois. ¿Estamos
Preparados?

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Cuando se trata de prevenir inundaciones graves, no hay una solución única. En las próximas semanas, Illinois Answers Project examinará lo que están haciendo los municipios y los departamentos estatales para proteger a sus habitantes.

The Police Department for Fired Cops

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An analysis of state data shows that 17% of all police officers hired by the Robbins Police Department since 2000 came on board directly after they were fired from previous law enforcement jobs, the most of any department in Illinois. Those hires include two cops who lied about what they saw the night Laquan McDonald was murdered.

City of Chicago Amps Up Its Legal Battle Against ‘City’s Worst Landowner’

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The city is suing Northbrook resident Suzie B. Wilson and her company for more than $10 million, alleging they failed for years to clean up a hazardous West Englewood dump. Wilson was featured in a Illinois Answers Project/Block Club investigation last year.

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Officials say they’ll let enough special taxing districts expire to generate the money needed to pay back the debt. Some analysts are skeptical.

For Many Illinoisans in Flood-Prone Areas, Buyouts Are the Only Way Out

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A state government home buyout program has helped hundreds of people move out of harm’s way. But for many, it takes too long.

‘Green Alleys’ Help Prevent Flooding, But Vulnerable Neighborhoods Must Wait in Line

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‘It’s a little bit of a shot-in-the-dark implementation strategy,’ a key City Council member said.