Quality public television, radio, and media services that educate, involve, and inspire the people of the prairie region.

Prairie Public Broadcasting, Inc. Annual Report 2017

Fiscal Year 2017 began October 1, 2016, and ended September 30, 2017
Prairie Public is a member of the Public Broadcasting Service, a private, nonprofit corporation that provides quality television programming and related services.

Prairie Public is a member of NPR, a privately supported, nonprofit membership organization that serves its audience in partnership with independently operated, noncommercial public radio stations.

Prairie Public is committed to respect for the individual and our audience, to lifelong learning, civil discourse, and our regional identity. Those who work at Prairie Public take pride in our programming and our service, expressing it through honesty and accuracy, a strong work ethic, teamwork, workplace diversity, effective stewardship of gifts and talents, and good humor.

Prairie Public Broadcasting is a trusted public media service dedicated to building an exciting and productive future for our region and its people by offering a window on the world and creating a forum for discussion of important issues.

When you support Prairie Public, your contribution goes to work to make great television and radio programs happen. It works to secure the very best of PBS and NPR programming, along with high-quality, original productions created to meet your interests and needs.

Individual and community support is a crucial part of Prairie Public’s success, and this annual report celebrates our dedicated partners and contributors.
I hear enthusiasm whenever I travel in our broadcast region and talk with our neighbors who are served by Prairie Public. They trust and depend on Prairie Public.

Why are people so passionate about public radio? Because NPR and their member stations, Prairie Public included, are consistently rated quite high in terms of the complex analysis and minimal partisan bias in our reporting. We pursue the truth, we are diligent with verification, and scrupulous about fairness.

Our radio programming is widely acknowledged for excellence by folks who use measureable assessments, and Prairie Public and NPR journalists have won a multitude of awards including Eric Sevareid Awards, Associated Press Awards, Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Awards, and George Foster Peabody Awards, to name a few.

Why are people so passionate about public television? National studies show that PBS is #1 in public trust—a trust twice as strong as for commercial broadcast television and nearly three times stronger than for newspaper publications.

Viewers appreciate public television’s strong commitment to the arts, to science programming, and to news and public affairs. Teachers know we are dedicated to their needs—especially teachers in rural communities who often feel isolated and have limited access to peer-to-peer professional development opportunities.

And, of course, public television is especially appreciated for its children’s programming. Decades of research confirms that the television programs and educational services that Prairie Public offers help children to build critical literacy, math, and social-emotional skills, enabling them to find success in school and life.

Prairie Public’s mission is straightforward: to provide quality radio, television, and public media services that educate, involve, and inspire. It’s no easy task.

In 2017, cuts in funding from the state of North Dakota significantly impacted Prairie Public. Many agencies and organizations in North Dakota faced similar budget cuts. We tightened our already-restrained budget and economized across all departments.

We won’t let these budget cuts slow us down. In our multi-media culture, people value our services more than ever before. And we will continue to protect and preserve a strong, healthy public media presence.

As we are creating the public media system of the future, we are re-imagining how we fulfill our mission. We are harnessing every single resource, both local and national, and every single platform, to serve the public with quality content.

We are innovators. No one else has decades of experience creating our distinctive content, and we know that public media holds a special place in the hearts and minds of the people we serve.

We’re dreaming big. Just as our founders did more than 50 years ago.

Thank you for making it all possible,

John Harris
Prairie Public
President & CEO
The prairie region’s storyteller and unparalleled access to television’s best music, theatre, history, science, how-to, and children’s programs from PBS and independent producers.

2017 Television Productions
The Bell Creek Story: CO₂ in Action
Face to Face: ND U.S. Congressional Debate
Face to Face: ND Insurance Commissioner Debate
Face to Face: ND Governor Debate
Face to Face: ND Public Service Commissioner Debate
Face to Face: ND U.S. Senate Debate
Face to Face: MN 7th District U.S. Congressional Debate
Fargo Film Festival Preview Show 2017
Flowers of the Church: Minnesota’s Stained Glass Heritage
Gutes Essen: Good Eating in German Russian Country
Malcolm Frager: American Pianist
North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum’s State of the State Address and Democratic Response
North Dakota Legislative Review
Painting with Paulson: Back to the Canvas
Prairie Memories: The Vietnam War Years

2017 Regional Emmy Nominations
Program, Musical Performance
Prairie Musicians Reina del Cid
Segment, Art
Prairie Mosaic Amber Fletschock, Collage Artist
Segment, Art
Prairie Mosaic Jeffrey Zachmann, Kinetic Sculptor
Segment, History/Nostalgia
Prairie Mosaic Land of 10,000 Brews
Segment, History/Nostalgia
Prairie Mosaic Lowell National Historical Park
Segment, History/Nostalgia
Prairie Mosaic The Massachusetts Mill Workers
Segment, History/Nostalgia
Prairie Mosaic Wet vs. Dry
Documentary, History
Built On Agriculture The Selkirk Settlers
Documentary, Topical
Built On Agriculture The Farmers
Documentary, History
Built To Last: The Legacy of the CCC in Minnesota
Documentary, History
Flowers of the Church: Minnesota’s Stained Glass Heritage

Ongoing Original Series
Painting with Paulson, Season 18
Prairie Mosaic, Season 8
Prairie Musicians, Season 7
Prairie Pulse, Season 15
For eighteen seasons, Prairie Public has recorded the Painting with Paulson series, distributed them to stations across the nation, offered DVDs of the series to novice and experienced painters, and created excerpts for classroom use. In 2017, viewers learned to paint like pros with Painting with Paulson: Back to the Canvas.

Viewers across the nation cheered for Gutes Essen: Good Eating in German Russian Country—the ninth documentary in Prairie Public’s award-winning series that explores the food, culture, art, and music of this distinctive ethnic group. Clips from the documentary broke all records for popularity on Prairie Public’s social media accounts.

Prairie Memories: The Vietnam War Years stepped out into the broadcast community to collect oral histories for a series of television documentaries, radio shorts, and The Story Wall—a region-wide initiative aimed at inspiring Minnesotans and North Dakotans to foster understanding of the lasting impact of war.

Prairie Musicians returned for a seventh season this year to fill Prairie Public’s downtown Fargo studio, and viewers’ homes, with music from ragtime to rock from Erik Koskinen, Mike Munson, December’s Children, Gina Powers Band, David Stoddard, Connie Gjermundson, Max Johnk Group, and the Concordia College Marimba Choir.

Viewers value Prairie Public for its support of local talent and cultural centers. In 2017, Prairie Mosaic introduced us to talented artisans and toured the region, Flowers of the Church: Minnesota’s Stained Glass Heritage told kaleidoscopic stories of reverence, and Malcolm Frager—American Pianist chronicled an influential artist’s legacy.
Journalistic excellence
with news, music, and entertainment from the prairie region, and from around the world with NPR and independent producers.

Main Street and Main Street Weekend go live with the newsmakers of our region—with Doug Hamilton and Ashley Thornberg hosting and Skip Wood producing discussions that entertain and inform.

2017 Radio Special Productions and Projects

Election Coverage
Dakota Datebook Stories: The Great War
Face to Face: ND U.S. Congressional Debate
Face to Face: ND Insurance Commissioner Debate
Face to Face: ND Governor Debate
Face to Face: ND Public Service Commissioner Debate
Face to Face: ND U.S. Senate Debate
Face to Face: MN 7th District U.S. Congressional Debate
Journeys Through Justice
Project Unpack

Ongoing Original Series

Daily Newscasts and Reports
Dakota Datebook
Friday Night Swing
Into the Music with Mike Olson
The Jazz Junket
A Little Night Music with Ted Quanrud
Main Street
Main Street Weekend
Mike Olson’s Blues Cruise
Natural North Dakota
Notas Latinas
Plains Folk
Prairie Public Presents
Prebys on Classics
Prebys on Jazz
The Red River Ramble
Why? Philosophical Discussions About Everyday Life
The reporting team of news director Dave Thompson, Todd McDonald, and Danielle Webster (winner of a 2017 1st place Eric Sevareid Award) is a trusted primary information source for people who listen on their radios, download podcasts from Prairie Public and NPR, and stream through mobile apps and NPR One.

**Inside Energy** has covered energy issues critical to Colorado, Wyoming, and North Dakota. Prairie Public and our dedicated **Inside Energy** reporter Amy Sisk partnered with reporters and editors from those states in a collaborative journalism initiative.

Prairie Public helped to establish a space to “unpack” military life, experiences of war, the return home, and readjusting to life as a civilian. **Project Unpack** was a one-year partnership between Prairie Public and NDSU that collected veteran narratives and hosted memoir workshops.

**Journeys through Justice**, a radio series produced in partnership with Meg Luther Lindholm, looked at how the criminal justice system works and how it might work better.

Listers appreciate the diversity of Prairie Public’s extensive music library—with knowledgeable anchors Scott Prebys hosting jazz and classical shows; Mike Olson hosting roots, rock, alt, and blues; and other local hosts adding bluegrass, swing, and Latino music to the schedule.

Millions served in World War I and many at home provided support, suffered scarcities, and grieved for loved ones lost. The United States entered the Great War 100 years ago on April 6, 2017, and **Dakota Datebook** commemorated the anniversary with stories from North Dakota, thanks to historian Jim Davis and other **Dakota Datebook** writers.
Prairie Public Broadcasting’s educational services and outreach provides learning opportunities that break down the barriers of distance and assures that all our neighborhoods have high quality learning resources.
Children’s programming, digital classroom resources, professional development, and distance learning have made public broadcasting a leader in lifelong learning. Every month, 170 million people, young and old, connect through 368 public television stations, 934 public radio stations, hundreds of online services, and events and activities.

Prairie Public’s education services staff traveled 732 miles and reached 439 children during the Week of the Young Child in April 2017. Curious George visited six cities, and he stopped at the Department of Public Instruction and the ND Capitol building where lawmakers excitedly queued to get their photos taken with him.

Hundreds of children wrote and illustrated their own stories for the PBS KIDS Writers Contest—an initiative to advance children’s literacy skills through hands-on, active learning. Every child received a certificate of participation and positive, personalized feedback from Prairie Public.

PBS selected Prairie Public as one of five PBS member stations to receive a three-year grant to participate in the PBS Teacher Community Program pilot—strengthening training opportunities, resources, and support for teachers in remote districts and creating models for teachers in rural communities across America.

People who appreciate public media know that stations like Prairie Public are among the last locally-owned, locally-controlled media in America. They love free, noncommercial, educational programming, and they showed their advocacy at Nerd Walks in Fargo and in Bismarck.

Educators from across the region attended Prairie Public’s summer conference titled Integrate, Innovate, Motivate 2017: Creative Tech for Teaching. They learned about building classroom culture, coding and apps, creating with content from PBS, amplifying student voices, and engaging students using background technology.
Prairie Public Broadcasting Boards 2016–2017

The Prairie Public Broadcasting family is fortunate to have dedicated, hardworking, and enthusiastic people to guide the organization and serve on its boards and advisory councils.

Prairie Public Broadcasting Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is the governing body of the organization, and members are appointed to serve two three-year terms.

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Radio Council

The Radio Council was established to allow the three partners in the service—Prairie Public, North Dakota State University, and University of North Dakota—to be informed about the network’s progress and plans and to provide input to management.

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North Central Council for Educational Media Services

NCCEMS is an organization of public schools in North Dakota and Northwest Minnesota that contracts with Prairie Public to create a virtual educational service unit and to provide links between educators and educational resources.

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Prairie Public seeks enthusiastic, hard-working, dedicated people to serve on the Prairie Public Broadcasting boards. Anyone interested in serving is encouraged to inquire.
# Prairie Public Broadcasting, Inc.
## Annual Financial Report
### for the Year Ending 9/30/17

**Sources**

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**EXCESS (DEFICIT) SOURCES OVER USES**

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**Note 1.** Financial data provided from Eide Bailly LLP audited financial statements of Prairie Public Broadcasting, Inc.

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¹ Planned giving includes contributions to Endowment Funds, Interest Earnings, and Realized and Unrealized Gains from Endowment Funds.
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Anonymous, Detroit Lakes, MN
Anonymous, Fergus Falls, MN
Anonymous, Lake Park, MN
Anonymous, Moorhead, MN
Anonymous, Red Lake Falls, MN
Anonymous, Bismarck, ND (5)
Anonymous, Fargo, ND
Anonymous, Grand Forks, ND (4)
Anonymous, Horace, ND
Anonymous, Jamestown, ND
Anonymous, Mandan, ND (2)
Anonymous, Richland, MN
Anonymous, Tower, ND
Anonymous, Williston, ND (2)
Anonymous, Canova, SD
* Deceased

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Anonymous, Bismarck, ND
Anonymous, Fargo, ND (3)
Anonymous, Grand Forks, ND (2)
Anonymous, Kennare, ND
Anonymous, Redfield, ND
Anonymous, Tower, ND
* Deceased

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These professionally managed funds provide annual interest income that helps to ensure the future of Prairie Public and enhances the quality service Prairie Public provides to those in our region.

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