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

Fiscal Year 2016 began October 1, 2015, and ended September 30, 2016
Prairie Public is a member of the Public Broadcasting Service, a private, nonprofit corporation that provides quality television programming and related services.

Prairie Public Broadcasting provides quality radio, television, and public media services that educate, involve, and inspire the people of the prairie region.

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.

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.

On the cover:
Staff from Prairie Public’s television, radio, education, community outreach, accounting, and business development departments.

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.
Every day, Prairie Public provides a unique media experience.

We’re a nonprofit member organization that serves our public with programming and services of the highest quality, using media to educate, involve, and inspire. We work to express diverse perspectives, to empower individuals to achieve their potential, and to strengthen the social and cultural health of our region.

Public media invites everyone to explore new ideas and broaden personal horizons—with trusted content that expands the minds of children, with programs that ensure the worlds of music, theater, dance, and art remain available to everyone, with documentaries that open up new worlds, and with non-commercialized news programs that offer multiple perspectives on local and world events.

We continue to innovate and to deliver to audiences everywhere at any time—over the radio or television, but also on desktops, tablets, and mobile devices.

Most importantly, we treat our viewers and listeners as individuals, not simply as consumers. And it shows. In fact, the relationship that we have with the people who use our programming is one of our most valuable assets. You and your fellow public media fans are our best advocates and the reason public media continues to thrive.

We hear from our viewers and listeners every day, and we appreciate that feedback. The large majority of the calls and letters we receive are questions. These kinds of calls let us know that you’re invested in what you see and hear on Prairie Public.

And, of course, we get plenty of positive comments. An email arrived recently from a woman who was “snowed in tonight, and it’s not even a bad thing because I have Prairie Public.” A teacher wrote to comment that “Prairie Public makes the world a better place.”

An elderly gentleman wrote to thank us for airing a concert he enjoyed. He said he “wished he could get up and dance again.”

A member contacted us to increase her annual gift to Prairie Public and told us “you have programming that can lift the soul and can be trusted to show the general public the best of society.” Another member wrote to say that our radio and television shows are her main source for entertainment and news, and she praised our “honest reporting. We would not be informed if it wasn’t for what you do.”

Often, a particular radio story can influence your entire day. A listener wrote to share with us that a “radio report this morning really spoke to me, and I love how often that happens with Prairie Public programming.”

Why do you believe in public media?

You could probably count off dozens of reasons, and your neighbor could list dozens more. Those of us who deliver public media know that individuals have diverse tastes, different preferences, and life experiences that influence their media choices. At varying stages of life, you look to public media to fulfill changing needs—sometimes finding what you didn’t know you needed!

Always remember that you are the public in public broadcasting, and we’re here to serve. Let us know what you think. And, as always, thank you for your support.

John Harris
Prairie Public
President & CEO
Public television has established an unmatched reputation for ambitious, in-depth documentaries and series.
As a PBS member station, Prairie Public broadcasts award-winning programming valued and treasured by viewers around the globe. *Downton Abbey* was the most watched PBS program of all time and spawned Prairie Public premiere parties, trips abroad, and numerous tea parties.

Engaged citizens can turn to public television and public radio for all their election coverage. In 2016, in addition to regional coverage of news, conferences, and candidate debates taped in our studio, Prairie Public offered *Frontline: The Choice*, the *PBS NewsHour Presidential Debates*, and the *PBS NewsHour Vice Presidential Debates*.

In its sixth tuneful season, *Prairie Musicians* put the spotlight on 25 talented musicians: Harwood Groove from Detroit Lakes, MN; D Mills & the Thrills from Fargo, ND; Josie Nelson from Alexandria, MN; Singleton Street from Delano, MN; Randy James Band from Bismarck, ND; and Ryan Keplin & Hicktown from Belcourt, ND.

A special week of primetime television programming in September examined the challenges facing today’s students and schools. *Spotlight Education* included special episodes of *NOVA, Frontline, PBS NewsHour, Ted Talks: The Education Revolution*, and *Craft in America: Teachers*.

Painter and educator Buck Paulson is in Prairie Public’s television studio every year to tape new seasons of his popular, nationally broadcast how-to series *Painting with Paulson*. Fans of his show learn how to ‘paint like pros’ at public demonstrations and painting classes in the studio.

Prairie region newsmakers are the stars of *Prairie Pulse*. In 2016, guests included Rear Admiral Stuart Munsch, ND Indian Affairs Commission Director Scott Davies, North Dakota Superintendent of Public Instruction Kirsten Baesler, ND Highway Patrol & Law Enforcement Training Director Lt. Dan Haugen, and many more.

Prairie Public hosted a screening in Mahnomen, MN, to celebrate White Earth Nation’s starring role in the television documentary *Class of ’27*. A discussion about issues important to all families, and especially families struggling with poverty and addiction, was moderated by MN House Representative Peggy Flanagan.
The world is vast, but it begins right outside your door. That’s where the unique power of public radio begins.

2016 Radio Special Productions and Projects
Black is Back: A Tribute to Johnny Cash
Chasing the Dream: Poverty and Opportunity in America
Face to Face: North Dakota Governor Republican Primary Debate
Harvest Public Media
Inside Energy
Native American Stories of Resilience
Rail Town Memories

Midwest Broadcast Journalists Association Sevareid Awards of Merit
The Sevareid Awards are presented to the best work done by broadcast news operations and journalists working in small, medium, and large markets in our six-state region on radio, television, and online.

Investigative Category
“State Officials Misrepresent North Dakota’s Spill Problem” by Emily Guerin

Soft Feature Category
“Oil Boom Brings High School Football Back” by Emily Guerin

Broadcast Writing Category
“FERC Commissioner: Energy Infrastructure is a Challenge” by Dave Thompson

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
Prairie Public was awarded a $10,000 grant to produce programming to synergize with the public media reporting initiative **Chasing the Dream: Poverty and Opportunity in America**—a multi-platform public media initiative that aimed to provide a deeper understanding of the impact of poverty on American society.

To understand how the movie helped shaped our region and perceptions of our region, producers Diane Richard and Todd Melby created a radio documentary exploring all things “Fargo.” Titled **We Don’t Talk Like That: “Fargo” and the Midwest Psyche**, and timed for “Fargo’s” 20th anniversary, it premiered in June and was screened with the producers at the Fargo Theatre.

**Inside Energy**, Prairie Public’s ongoing multimedia project that reports on how energy is made, moved, and used, established a ‘Listening Post’ to gather voices that can provide more perspective to stories. The online conversation helps **Inside Energy** reporter Amy Sisk to tap on-the-ground networks to more effectively gather and share important information from the target audience—and build an engaged audience in the process.

Each weekday, **Main Street** goes live to talk with the newsmakers of our region. With hosts Doug Hamilton and Ashley Thornberg, and with Skip Wood producing, **Main Street** is the place where listeners can gather for new conversations every day. In 2016, **Main Street Weekend** premiered so more, new audiences can participate.

Fans of **A Prairie Home Companion** gathered at locations across the state—with traditional Wobegone fare, the potluck—to celebrate all the great Saturday nights they enjoyed with retiring host Garrison Keillor, to see live video of his last show, and to welcome musician extraordinaire Chris Thile—who took over the show in October.

**The Thomas Jefferson Hour** is dedicated to civil discourse in the tradition of Thomas Jefferson—with humanities scholar and first-person interpreter Clay Jenkinson portraying the United States’ third president. Prairie Public hosted a live taping of two episodes in September with Prairie Public’s director of radio, Bill Thomas, posing questions.

The news team of Dave Thompson, Danielle Webster, and Todd McDonald offers an extraordinary array of in-depth, substantive, local reporting. **Local news** creates a vital connection to our region and promotes thoughtful, provocative dialogue that allows audiences to understand and fully engage with their world.
Technology and digital media are primary elements of communication today, but nothing replaces the meaningful connection that happens between people face to face.

The North Central Council for School Television, the organization founded in 1963 to bring educational television to North Dakota, changed its name in 2016 to The North Central Council for Educational Media Services to reflect its 21st-century resources. Prairie Public Education Services partners with the council to provide multimedia resources and professional development for pre-K through grade 12 educators and the families they serve in North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota. Here, the 2016 education services team posed with Bob the Builder at a family learning event.

In 2016, PBS chose Kayla Delzer, a teacher at Legacy Elementary School in West Fargo, as a PBS Digital Innovator. She collaborated with Prairie Public to present at Prairie Public’s Teacher Training, and she was awarded with year-long professional development opportunities and an all-expense paid trip to Denver, Colorado, to participate in the 2016 PBS LearningMedia Digital Summit and the International Society for Technology in Education Conference.
Prairie Public’s annual teacher training institute—titled **Integrate, Innovate, Motivate: Creative Tech for Teaching**—offers teachers cutting-edge curriculum planning and technology ideas that they can bring back to their classrooms in our broadcast area. Teachers can earn graduate credit, and there’s time for small group discussion and photo ops, too.

The **Mister Rogers Sweater Drive**, now in its fifth year, collects sweaters from around the entire broadcast area and redistributes them to people who need a little extra warmth. Prairie Public partners with Gate City Bank in the United States and with Cambrian Credit Union in Canada to collect the sweaters. Prairie Public staff wear sweaters on a special day every year to honor the legacy of Mister Rogers.

The Prairie Public Education Services team visits all corners of our service area to host **Family Learning Events**—taking high-quality learning materials, digital resources, and professional development to the parents, children, childcare providers, and teachers who live throughout our region.

Prairie Public is a **treasured friend to families across the broadcast region**. But not only for the non-commercial television programming that parents trust. Prairie Public staffers encourage children and their parents to use television programming as a springboard to more learning after the set is turned off.

Prairie Public provides educators with resources for classroom curriculum and professional development—providing standards-based supplemental analog and digital video and a wealth of curricular web resources for classroom teachers. With **North Dakota Studies**, PBS LearningMedia, and Learn360 to harness the power of digital media—to help kids succeed both in the classroom, and at becoming life-long learners.
Prairie Public Broadcasting Boards 2015–2016

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.

Barry Brode (UND), Grand Forks, ND
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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.

Nancy Bollingberg, Fessenden-Bowdon 25
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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 9/30/16

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**TOTAL SOURCES** | **$6,208,572** | **100%** | **$1,835,756** | **100%** | **$8,044,328** |

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**TOTAL USES** | **$5,771,129** | **100%** | **$2,198,374** | **100%** | **$7,969,503** |

**EXCESS (DEFICIT) SOURCES OVER USES** | **$437,443** | **$(362,618)** | **$74,825** |
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Prairie Public Broadcasting gratefully thanks its Investors Circle members, a dedicated group of donors who have made annual gifts of $1,000 or more.

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If we have inadvertently omitted or incorrectly acknowledged your support, please contact us at 800-359-6900, ext. 510.
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Visionary Circle honors those who have demonstrated visionary philanthropic leadership and cumulative lifetime annual giving of $25,000 or more in support of Prairie Public’s services. We are grateful for the steadfast, substantial commitment of these Visionary Circle members.

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Anonymous, Moorhead, MN
Anonymous, Sabin, MN
Anonymous, Billings, MT
Anonymous, Bismarck, ND
Anonymous, Fargo, ND (3)
Anonymous, Grand Forks, ND (2)
Anonymous, Kenmare, ND
Anonymous, Richardton, ND
Anonymous, Towner, ND
Anonymous, West Fargo, ND

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Bequests

During fiscal year 2016, the following honored Prairie Public with gifts in their estates. With deep regard, we remember these friends for their special commitment to sustaining Prairie Public for future generations.

Estate of Violet Mortenson
Estate of Cathenie A. Nagle

Endowment: Funding the Future

Through endowed gifts from many donors, Prairie Public has established the Prairie Public Broadcasting Endowment Fund, a North Dakota tax-qualified endowment at Bremer Trust. Other endowment funds that are held on Prairie Public’s behalf reside at Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation, North Dakota Community Foundation, and The Winnipeg Foundation.

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

Prairie Public thanks all donors who have contributed to these endowed funds. Endowment gifts of $5,000 or more are listed below.

$100,000+
Lucien C. Barnes and Edna Barnes Fund, a component of the Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation, Fargo, ND

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Duane Slovap,* in memory of Alfred E. Slovap, Bismarck, ND
Gus and Mary Staahl, Fargo, ND
Anonymous, Fargo, ND
Anonymous, Minot, ND

$5,000 to $9,999
Arthur and Shirley Carlson, Bismarck, ND
William O. Chubb,* Winnipeg, MB
Anonymous, Minot, ND

Board-Directed Endowment Fund

This fund, established in fiscal year 2007, is comprised of unrestricted assets allocated to the fund in accordance with policies adopted by Prairie Public’s board of directors. The fund provides long-term general support to meet the financial needs of Prairie Public, and is managed by Bremer Trust based upon the investment policies approved by Prairie Public’s board of directors.

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T. L. Donat Legacy Circle

Prairie Public Broadcasting extends special appreciation to members of the T. L. Donat Legacy Circle. Named for Dr. Ted Donat, Prairie Public’s founder, the Legacy Circle provides an opportunity for donors to leave a thoughtful legacy to our region by making a provision for Prairie Public in their wills, trusts, or other estate plans.

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Anonymous, Richardson, ND
Anonymous, Towner, ND
Anonymous, Winnipeg, MB (4)
Anonymous, Moorhead, MN
Anonymous, Sabin, MN
Anonymous, Billings, MT
Anonymous, Bismarck, ND
Anonymous, Fargo, ND (3)
Anonymous, Grand Forks, ND (2)
Anonymous, Kenmare, ND
Anonymous, Richardton, ND
Anonymous, Towner, ND
Anonymous, West Fargo, ND

If you have provided for Prairie Public Broadcasting in your will or other estate plans, please let us know. By doing so, you will help us to plan for the future and will allow us to thank you for your outstanding commitment to the mission of public broadcasting.

Bequests

During fiscal year 2016, the following honored Prairie Public with gifts in their estates. With deep regard, we remember these friends for their special commitment to sustaining Prairie Public for future generations.

Estate of Violet Mortenson
Estate of Cathenie A. Nagle

Endowment: Funding the Future

Through endowed gifts from many donors, Prairie Public has established the Prairie Public Broadcasting Endowment Fund, a North Dakota tax-qualified endowment at Bremer Trust. Other endowment funds that are held on Prairie Public’s behalf reside at Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation, North Dakota Community Foundation, and The Winnipeg Foundation.

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

Prairie Public thanks all donors who have contributed to these endowed funds. Endowment gifts of $5,000 or more are listed below.

$100,000+
Lucien C. Barnes and Edna Barnes Fund, a component of the Fargo-Moorhead Area Foundation, Fargo, ND

$50,000 to $99,999
Paul and Gail Ebeltoft, Dickinson, ND
Anonymous,* Winnipeg, MB

$25,000 to $49,999
Ruth Landfield,* Fargo, ND
Lloyd and Margaret Thilmony, Valley City, ND
John and Kathleen Risch, Bismarck, ND

$10,000 to $24,999
Arnold L. Johnson, Garrison, ND
Duane Slovap,* in memory of Alfred E. Slovap, Bismarck, ND
Gus and Mary Staahl, Fargo, ND
Anonymous, Fargo, ND
Anonymous, Minot, ND

$5,000 to $9,999
Arthur and Shirley Carlson, Bismarck, ND
William O. Chubb,* Winnipeg, MB
Anonymous, Minot, ND

Board-Directed Endowment Fund

This fund, established in fiscal year 2007, is comprised of unrestricted assets allocated to the fund in accordance with policies adopted by Prairie Public’s board of directors. The fund provides long-term general support to meet the financial needs of Prairie Public, and is managed by Bremer Trust based upon the investment policies approved by Prairie Public’s board of directors.

* deceased

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Sponsor Support

Prairie Public thanks the following for investing in underwriting support for television and radio program services in fiscal year 2016.

4 Points by Sheraton
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A Woman’s Perspective
A.K. A Coach & Company
AARP North Dakota
Abalon Construction
All Star Collision & Glass
Altru Health System
Alzheimer Society of Manitoba
Avant Hair & Skin Care Studio
Badger-Tanabe Dental Group
Balcaen & Sons
Balmoral Hall
Basin Electric Power Coop
Beaver Productions
Bell Bank
Benedicte Health System
Bethany Retirement Living
Bismarck Cancer Center
Bismarck Sewing & Quilting
Bismarck State College
Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus
Bismarck-Mandan Symphony
Blue Moose Bar and Grill
BNC National Bank
Books on Broadway
Bremer Bank
Browning Arts
Bryant Clinic of Chiropractic & Acupuncture
Bush Foundation
Cable One
Capitol Shakespeare
Carillon Sewing Centre
Cass County Electric Coop
Children’s Museum
Cinema 100
Classic 107 FM Winnipeg
Knight Printing
Cottonwood Productions
Country Inn & Suites Fargo
Creative Kitchen
Cross Ranch State Park
Dakota Prairie Regional Center for the Arts
Dakota Stage Ltd
DFC Consultants
Direct Buy
Dr. Melinda Harr Dental
Elim Care
Empire Arts Center
Erickson Motors
Eventide
Exceptional Artists
Fargo Blues Fest
Fargo Moorhead Ballet
Fargo Moorhead Visual Artists–Studio Crawl
Fargo Moorhead Choral Artists
Fargo Moorhead Convention & Visitors Bureau
Fargo Moorhead Opera
Fargo Moorhead RedHawks
Fargo Moorhead Symphony Orchestra
Farmers Union
First Presbyterian Fine Arts Festival
Folklorama
Fusion Grill
Gate City Bank
GE Johnson Construction Company
Grand Forks Historical Society
Great Big Adventure
Great River Energy
Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre
Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra
Greencrest Pharmacy
Gruber Guitars
Hartz Foundation
Harvest Brazilian Grill
Heritage Education Commission
High Plains Reader
Home of Economy
Hornbachers Foods
Imagine Thriving
Independent Living Resource Centre
International Music Camp
International Peace Gardens Canada
Jade Presents
Jam Theatricals
JQQ’s Garage
Jazz Winnipeg
Joshua Boschee-Hatch Realty
Josie’s Corner Cafe & Bake Shop
JR Construction
Labor Masters
Lenahan Law
Lucky Ducks
Luna Fargo
Lundeen Foundation/Victor Lundeen Company
Manitoba Chamber Orchestra
Manitoba Opera
Manitoba Theatre for Young People
Medora Chamber of Commerce
Messiah Lutheran Hour of Worship
Mike’s Pizza & Pub
Minot Prairie Quilters
Minot Symphony Orchestra
MJ Roofing
Mehr Family-Dacotah Paper
MSUM College of Arts, Media and Communication
Myron Sommerfeld–Music of the Stars Orchestra
Cable One Business
Native American Training Institute
North Dakota Geographic Alliance
NDSU Division of Performing Arts
Nelson County Arts Council
Nichole’s Fine Pastry
Nieuwboer Funeral Home
Nodak Mutual Insurance Co
Nordic Culture Clubs
North Country Fiber Fair
North Dakota Association of Rural Electric Coops
North Dakota Community Foundation
North Dakota Horizons Magazine
North Dakota Humanities Council
North Dakota Living
North Dakota Museum of Art
North Dakota United
North Dakota Women’s Network
North Dakota–Manitoba Met Opera Auditions
Northern Plains Dance
Oak Grove Lutheran School
Old Red Old Ten Scenic Byway
Otter Tail Power Company
Parent Aware for School Readiness
Plains and Fancy Antique Mall
Plains Art Museum
Prairie Air Waves
Prairie Theatre Exchange
Prairie Village Museum
Ramkota Hotel of Bismarck
Red River Valley Gymnastics
Redick Consultants Ltd
Rhombus Guys
River City Jewelers
Roberts Floral & Gifts
Ron Paul Garden Centre
Royal Winnipeg Ballet
Rural Cass Community Theatre
Satrin Travel and Tour
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Sleepy Hollow Summer Theatre
Spirit Room
Stained Glass Workshop
State Historical Society of North Dakota
Stinson Leonard Street TD Canada Trust
The Fort Garry Hotel
Theatre B
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University of Mary
Urgent Med
Valley City State University
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Western Minnesota Steam Threshers Reunion
Western Paint and Wallcovering
Western Plains Opera Company
Whodunit Mystery Bookstore
Winnipeg Art Gallery
Winnipeg Folk Festival
Winnipeg Goldeyes Baseball Club
Winterarts Festival
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Additional Support

A broad base of individual, corporate, and foundation support generates substantial municipal, state, and federal support for Prairie Public’s services. Funds support operations, capital improvements, and specific outreach programs and productions. Prairie Public received support from the following in fiscal year 2016:

AARP
Altrusa International of Fargo
American Public Media
Benefity
The Bicentenary of the Red River
Selkirk Settlement Committee
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Anonymous (3)

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AETNA, Inc.
Benefity
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Caterpillar Foundation
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Matching Grants
Your gift to Prairie Public helps us to qualify for matching grants from sources including the National Endowment for the Humanities. When you make a contribution to Prairie Public, it is often matched dollar-for-dollar by these grants.

Many Prairie Public local television productions are funded in part by the following:

Minnesota Arts & Cultural Heritage Fund with money from the voters on November 4, 2008, North Dakota Council on the Arts, North Dakota Humanities Council, and by the members of Prairie Public. Thank you!

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With additional digital capabilities, Prairie Public broadcasts four program streams. Viewers who use a rooftop antenna receive all four. Viewers who use cable, dish, or satellite services will receive Prairie Public’s primary schedule, and one or more additional program streams.

1 **Prairie Public** Prairie Public’s high-definition schedule.
2 **World/Lifelong Learning Channel** Nonfiction, science, nature, news, and public affairs programs on World (6pm-6am); and how-to, travel, cooking, and K-12 classroom programs on Lifelong Learning (6am-6pm).
3 **The MN Channel** Programs produced in and about North Dakota, Manitoba, Minnesota, and the region.
4 **PBS Kids** The number one educational media brand for kids offers opportunities to explore new ideas and new worlds through television.

Listeners can choose from two radio formats and can access both schedules with an HD radio, online at [www.prairiepublic.org](http://www.prairiepublic.org), or on their mobile device with the free Prairie Public app.

**Roots, Rock, and Jazz** Public radio’s signature news and entertainment programs and a diverse schedule of roots, rock, and jazz music.

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