6. Telling Public Radio’s Story

The purpose of this section is to give you an opportunity to tell us and your community about the activities you have engaged in to address community needs by outlining key services provided, and the local value and impact of those services. Please report on activities that occurred in Fiscal Year 2022. Responses may be shared with Congress or the public. Grantees are required to post a copy of this report (Section 6 only) to their website no later than ten (10) days after the submission of the report to CPB. CPB recommends placing the report in an “About” or similar section on your website. This section had previously been optional. Response to this section of the SAS is now mandatory.

1. Describe your overall goals and approach to address identified community issues, needs, and interests through your station’s vital local services, such as multiplatform long and short-form content, digital and in-person engagement, education services, community information, partnership support, and other activities, and audiences you reached or new audiences you engaged.

Our overall goal is to continue to reach as many listeners as possible on the North Slope and provide them with essential information and entertainment to enhance their daily lives. As the only broadcast station in a 95,000 square mile area, we work closely with all local government, community service and educational organizations to inform and entertain the public.

2. Describe key initiatives and the variety of partners with whom you collaborated, including other public media outlets, community nonprofits, government agencies, educational institutions, the business community, teachers and parents, etc. This will illustrate the many ways you’re connected across the community and engaged with other important organizations in the area.

Joint licensee Grantees that have filed a 2022 Local Content and Services Report as part of meeting the requirement for TV CSG funding may state they have done so in the corresponding questions below, so long as all of the questions below were addressed as they relate to radio operations in such report. You must include the date the report was submitted to CPB along with the TV Grantee ID under which it was submitted.
We partner with local, state and federal entities and collaborate with them to provide promotion and coverage of community events, meetings, important weather updates and forecasts.

3. What impact did your key initiatives and partnerships have in your community? Describe any known measurable impact, such as increased awareness, learning or understanding about particular issues. Describe indicators of success, such as connecting people to needed resources or strengthening conversational ties across diverse neighborhoods. Did a partner see an increase in requests for related resources? Please include direct feedback from a partner(s) or from a person(s) served.

We are the only freely available information source in our region. There are no other local broadcast stations, or any other source of information available at no cost to the residents, making us an extremely essential service. Our regional relies heavily on us for both dissemination and receipt of information.

4. Please describe any efforts (e.g. programming, production, engagement activities) you have made to investigate and/or meet the needs of minority and other diverse audiences (including, but not limited to, new immigrants, people for whom English is a second language and illiterate adults) during Fiscal Year 2022, and any plans you have made to meet the needs of these audiences during Fiscal Year 2023. If you regularly broadcast in a language other than English, please note the language broadcast.

We have a part time Inupiat translator on staff to translate important notices that we broadcast to those for whom English is a second language. We will continue to do so and will most likely increase those efforts, as a large campaign has begun to revitalize the Inupiaq language in our area.

5. Please assess the impact that your CPB funding had on your ability to serve your community. What were you able to do with your grant that you wouldn't be able to do if you didn't receive it?

CPB funding allows us to provide a wider range of vital services to our listening community. Any loss of this funding would almost certainly result in a loss of programming and information that we currently provide our listeners and that they depend on so much.

Have you completed this Section?  ☐ Yes  ☐ No